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Testimony for TRN 2/9/2011 9:00:00 AM HB506

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Testimony for House Bill No. 506

February 04, 2011

Dear Chair Souki and Vice Chair Ichiyama,

I have been a farmer for as long as I can remember. I now own the only dairy on the island of 'Oahu, Naked Cow Dairy. I own and operate an all female boutique dairy with my family in Waianae. Our products include butter, cheese, and yogurt. We make deliveries to Honolulu about 4 times a week and also participate in The Hawaii Farm Bureau's Farmers Markets around the island 5 times a week. I know our economy is having hard times right now, but we try our best to maintain. At the moment my business is just getting by. Everything is just too expensive.

If we miss even one delivery or miss a Farmer's Market my business is greatly affected. There is only one way in and out of Waianae and there have already been incidences where Farrington Highway has been shut down. When you work on a farm, the work never ends. You live at work! I wake up at 4 am every morning to work on my farm and after that, I either have to make deliveries or go to a Farmer's Market. By the time we leave the markets and head home, there is still traffic coming into the Waianae Coast due to on-going construction between Ko Olina and The Power Plant.

It is eminent that there is an alternate road out of the Waianae Coast. If Farrington Highway were to shut down, there would be no way for the people who live out in the district to get home. The only other way into Waianae is through Kolekole Pass and the only way to enter Kolekole Pass is through Wahiawa. Waianae needs an alternate access road. I hope that you do not wait for the event of an emergency to occur before a road is built. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
M. Van Der Stroom  
Waianae Resident

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Chair Joseph M. Souki  
Vice Chair Linda Ichiyama  
House Transportation Committee  
Hawaii State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: HB 506, Relating to Transportation  
Hearing on February 9, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Dear Chair Souki and Vice Chair Ichiyama:

PVT Land Company, LLC (PVT) submits this letter in SUPPORT of HB 506. This bill calls for "a feasibility study on the construction of an alternative access road to be built mauka of Farrington highway beginning at Lualualei Naval Magazine Road that provides access into and out of the leeward coast of Oahu."

PVT operates a construction and demolition landfill on Lualualei Naval Magazine road near the intersection with Farrington Highway. A PVT affiliate owns adjacent property across Lualualei Naval Magazine Road that is designated by the City and County of Honolulu's Disaster Debris Management Operations Plan for the storage of disaster debris. PVT supports the intent of this bill, which we understand is to evaluate ways to relieve traffic congestion and to afford a second access road for the leeward coast. PVT believes that this feasibility study is important to the community not only to address current traffic concerns, but also to consider alternate access in the event of a natural disaster. Disaster preparedness is critical, and PVT supports the planning efforts of the Department of Transportation and the City and County of Honolulu in this regard.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Joseph". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephen Joseph  
Vice-President/General Manager

cc: Rep. Karen Awana

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Testimony for HB 506

Aloha Chair Souki and members of the committee,

I am a single mother of three beautiful children. We reside on the Waianae Coast at Pokai Bay Village behind Waianae Mall. My two older children go to school in Honolulu and my son attends school at Leihoku Elementary School. I work near Diamond Head so I have a very far commute every morning, which I don't mind as long as I can keep a roof over my family's heads. We are a very busy and active family. All my children play sports. My two older children play sports for their schools and my youngest plays sports at The Waianae District Park three times a week. We are also very active in our Church, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

On a good day, I finish work around 5 pm. Then I have to pick up my two older children from practice and the journey home begins. At 5 pm traffic is horrendous. It takes at least an hour and a half just to get to Honokai Hale where another traffic jam begins. From there it takes us another half an hour to get home. By the time I pick up all of my children and get home it's about 8 pm. I still need to cook dinner for my family and make sure all of their homework is done.

Although I have a very close knit family, it makes me sad knowing that the only kind of family time we really have is during the car ride home. My two older children and I hardly get to see their 'baby brother.' My youngest is practically raised by his grandmother (my mother) who also lives with us. I know that if another road was built for the Waianae Coast, it might only save me an hour or so but I would be very appreciative of that one hour. Family is very important to me and I don't want to miss out on anything my children do.

I believe that an alternate access road in and out of Waianae is a must for all working parents like myself. I am thankful for the car rides home but all that time could most definitely be better spent elsewhere. I am a resident of the Waianae Coast and I support House Bill 506. Mahalo nui loa for your time and consideration.

-S.K.