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**LATE TESTIMONY**

**H.B. 2653 H.D. 1  
RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

We support the intent of this House Bill 2653, House Draft 1 with concerns.

This bill proposes to extend the streamlined permitting for broadband technology under ACT 151, Session Laws of Hawaii to January 1, 2017. We would recommend adding the requirement that any work within the Highways Division right-of-way still requires the entity to obtain the Highway Permit under Section 264-6, HRS. This would provide the Highways Division to not only track the additional infrastructure in our right-of-way, but to also review the traffic control plans for the installation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

