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STATE CONVENES FIRST KAUA'I GREEN WORKFORCE SUMMIT

Focus on Green Labor Market Information, Job Opportunities and Training Programs

HONOLULU— the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), in partnership with the County of Kaua'i, Kaua'i Community College (KCC) and the Kaua'i Chamber of Commerce, today announced the Kaua'i Green Workforce Development Summit. The Summit will convene on Wednesday, January 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at KCC in Lihue.

Business leaders, educators, policy makers and those interested in advancing green workforce development are invited to hear from eighteen local experts across four panel discussions covering the current assessment and outlook for green jobs, employer perspectives and challenges, and an interactive forum on sustaining the green economy. Mark Glick, administrator of the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism's State Energy Office, will present the keynote address and share his vision for how the state can achieve its ambitious goal of 70 percent reliance on clean energy by 2030.

"The DLIR is committed to helping develop a sustainable green economy through informed decision-making and a skilled and trained workforce," said DLIR Director Dwight Takamine. Registration is \$25 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and behind-the-scenes tour of KCC's green training programs and facilities. Early registration is encouraged, as seats are limited. View the agenda and register at www.KauaiChamber.org.

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