

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 623,
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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Energy, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 623 and 624, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATURAL ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAI'I
AUTHORITY

G.M. No. 623 LINDA ROSEHILL,
for a term to expire 06-30-2016; and

G.M. No. 624 LINDA ROSEHILL,
for a term to expire 06-30-2020,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Linda Rosehill to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority (NELHA).

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Linda Rosehill from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Paniolo Power Company, LLC; Hawaii Family Advocates; and seven individuals.

Linda Rosehill is the founder of Rosehill & Associates, specializing in government, community, and public affairs. She is a graduate of the William S. Richardson School of Law and is an inactive member of the Hawaii State Bar Association. She is a



member of or has served on numerous governmental boards and commissions, and is very active in her community.

Ms. Rosehill oversaw the administration of NELHA, which is administratively placed under the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT), while she served as DBEDT's Deputy Director from 1984 to 1986. In addition, Ms. Rosehill has prior experience in energy through her representation of Kauai Island Utility Cooperative and most recently through her work with Parker Ranch. During 2013, Parker Ranch embarked on a comprehensive integrated resource planning effort to explore the possibility of reducing the cost of electricity for the Waimea community on the Island of Hawaii. Parker Ranch lands are endowed with significant potential energy resources, including wind, solar, biomass, and possibly geothermal. As such, Ms. Rosehill has a fairly in-depth knowledge regarding energy technologies.

As a member of the Board of Directors of NELHA, Ms. Rosehill testified that she would like to assist in furthering the implementation of its master plan to attract tenants that take an entrepreneurial effort to commercialization. Ms. Rosehill believes in fostering energy sustainability and self-sufficiency through NELHA's various programs.

Ms. Rosehill's knowledge and experience in the field of energy, along with her experience in the public and private sectors, will greatly benefit the Board of Directors of NELHA.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Energy that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation and
Energy,


LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



