

GM 623

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Statement of
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before the

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY

Thursday, March 10, 2016

2:45 pm

State Capitol, Conference Room 229

in consideration of

GM 623 and GM 624

**GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE LINDA ROSEHILL AS A MEMBER OF THE NATURAL
ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAII AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) is pleased to present testimony in strong support of Ms. Linda Rosehill to be considered for the NELHA Board of Directors. She has a long history of serving the State and as a successful businesswoman. Both my Deputy Director Mary Alice Evans and I have worked with Ms. Rosehill over the years and we feel she very qualified and has the ability to fill this important position.

Ms. Rosehill's background in both the private and public sector with economic development agencies will provide a unique perspective that will be very beneficial to the NELHA Board of Directors. Beginning with her duties as Deputy Director at DBEDT, Ms. Rosehill

has played a key role in statewide economic development for the past 30 years. We strongly believe that the further development of the clean energy, marine science, and sustainable technology holds the key to economic growth. In this regard, NELHA needs Directors who can see the “big picture” and have a broad vision to understand how the pieces of our economic future fit together. Ms. Rosehill possesses these skills.

We have found that creating a strong public-private sector partnerships are essential to success. Ms. Rosehill has demonstrated this ability in forging public-private relationships in her past work. She has a keen ability to work with all the players -- the private sector, the Counties and other State agencies – in persuading everyone to work towards a common goal especially in the areas of land development and strategic policy. Ms. Rosehill’s experience and viewpoint in this area, especially as a resident of the Island of Hawaii, will be an important addition to the NELHA Board of Directors.

Her private sector business experience will also be crucial to NELHA maintaining its self-sufficiency status and operating with a strong business oriented perspective. Ms. Rosehill understands the need for growing existing businesses and attracting additional new corporations to invest in Hawaii. This is critical to NELHA’s success.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.



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March 8, 2016

Testimony of Rep. Clift Tsuji
Before the Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy
Tuesday, March 10, 2016 2:45 p.m. State Capitol, Room 229
RE: GM623 and GM624

Aloha Chair Inouye and Committee Members:

Please accept my support for Linda Rosehill's nomination to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority. With her varied, extensive work history, I believe that Linda is someone who will bring significant benefit to this Board.

Ms. Rosehill has over 20 years of experience working in and with state and county governmental bodies and the private sector in a variety of capacities. She has designed and implemented government relations and community relations strategies, and has proven to be highly capable and effective in the political arena.

She has represented the Department of Business Economic Development and Tourism on the Managing Board on the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii, the High Technology Development Corporation, the Hawaii Energy Conservation Council as well as many other pertinent State Boards and Commissions.

Linda's collective experiences give her a valuable perspective as relatable to the responsibilities of the Board. I point to her career endeavors related to community outreach, strategy development, policy development, negotiation, and problem-solving.

This individual has distinguished herself in her profession and community. The prospect of what she could further accomplish serving on the Board is a point worthy of consideration. I humbly ask that you give positive consideration to Ms. Rosehill's nomination.

Sincerely,

CLIFT TSUJI

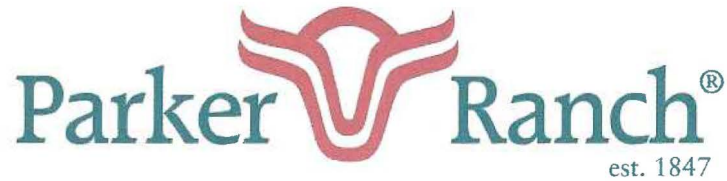
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TESTIMONY OF JOSE S. DIZON, P.E.
GENERAL MANAGER, PANIOLO POWER COMPANY, LLC A SUBSIDIARY OF PARKER RANCH, INC.
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY

March 10, 2016
2:45pm
State Capitol, Room 229

MEASURE: GM Nos. 623 and 624
Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, LINDA ROSEHILL, for a term to expire 06-30-2016, 06-30-2020

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Gabbard, and Members of the TRE Committee:

Paniolo Power Company, LLC fully supports Governor Ige's nomination of Linda Rosehill to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority.

Ms. Rosehill is an excellent candidate for the position. She has a solid understanding of energy, ocean research, agriculture, our local and state economy and other issues on the Big Island and the state. Her diversity of knowledge and keen insight would add tremendous value to the NELHA Board of Directors.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Jose Dizon, P.E.
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ONLINE TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL
Senate Committees on Transportation and Energy
Notice on Hearing March 10, 2016 @ 2:45 P.M.
Conference Room #229

DATE: March 9, 2016

TO: Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair
Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

FROM: James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr. President & CEO, Hawaii Family Advocates

RE: Strong support of the consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory Authority Gubernatorial Nominee Linda Rosehill

My name is James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr., and I have been an attorney, state family and circuit court judge and lieutenant governor of the State of Hawaii. I am currently, the President and CEO of Hawaii Family Advocates, a 501(c) (4) non-profit organization. I submit this testimony in strong support of the consideration and confirmation of Linda Rosehill to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory.

My relationship with Linda began in law school. Linda has always had the reputation of someone who was smart, diligent, thoughtful, hard-working, and giving. That reputation has only strengthened throughout the years.

Our paths have recently merged in this past year. As the president and CEO of Hawaii Family Advocates (HFA) it was our belief as an organization that a professional lobbyist would be in the best interest of HFA. In selecting that person Linda was at the top of the list. In addition to my past relationship with Linda it was also the excellent reputation that she had built and attained with her colleagues and clients that convinced us that she would be the perfect fit for HFA.

Linda's experience, knowledge, and skills as a lobbyist are perfect for this appointment. I have always been of the opinion that NELHA is a hidden jewel for the State of Hawaii. It has never reached its potential. I believe that Linda recognizes and understands this. If given the opportunity, it is my belief that Linda will be instrumental in placing NELHA in a position to achieving its full potential.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit this testimony of strong support.

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This testimony is to recommend and support the Governor's Nominee Linda K. Rosehill to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority (NELHA).

Ms. Rosehill has a wide range of experience that will be applicable and valuable to the operation and future of the NELHA. She is a graduate of the University of Hawaii Law School and has worked for the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT), large corporations (Amfac and Oahu Sugar), and her own company, Rosehill and Associates, which specializes in government, community and public affairs.

As Executive Director of NELH during from 1985 to 1990, we were fortunate to have Linda as DBEDT's member on the NELH Board. As a Board member and Deputy Director of DBEDT, she provided important liaisons with the Office of the Governor, the State Legislature, and the County Government. This critical assistance and support of the facility, the ongoing research projects, and numerous start-up companies provided jobs and economic benefits for the Big Island and the State. These successes resulted in the planning and development of the Hawaii Ocean Science and Technology Park (HOST) on land adjacent to NELH. These two entities were later merged to become the Natural Energy Laboratory Authority (NELHA).

Ms. Rosehill is also well acquainted Greg Barbour, the current Executive Director of NELHA. Prior to his current position at NELHA, Greg was administrator of the Foreign Trade Zone which similar to NELHA, was an administratively attached to the DBEDT. As Deputy Director of DBEDT, Linda also served as a board member of the Foreign Trade Zone.

This wide range of experience and past representation on the NELH Board will be most important in supporting and guiding the future of NELHA and its tenants. I cannot think of a more qualified and capable person to be a member of the NELHA Board.

Disclosure: As former executive director of NELH, I was also fortunate to marry board member Linda. We have since parted but remain good friends and share the joy of having two remarkable sons.

Jack P. Huizingh

Testimony for GM 623 and 624.

Consideration and Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, LINDA ROSEHILL to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority.

Dear Chair Lorraine Inouye, Vice Chair Mike Gabbard, and Members of the Committee,

I urge confirmation of Linda Rosehill to the Board of Directors of the NELH. She brings relevant expertise in community outreach and business marketing to the Board. She demonstrated competency, compassion, and aloha in her professional dealings in my association with her in one capacity or another over a period of more than three decades.

I am expressing my support, being aware of the vision of the early advocates of the NELH; from my experience with the energy projects and issues as Deputy Director for Environmental Health, Department of Health (1975-1980); from my experience with the nominee in my capacity as Chairman of the Democratic Party of Hawaii (1980-1986); as Sr. Vice President with the engineering firm of M&E Pacific, Inc. (1980-1993); as Vice President for Facilities Planning and Management, Queen's Medical Center (1998-2006).

Thank you for this opportunity to express my support for her confirmation.

Respectfully,



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Comments: My wife, Jeanette Makaio Hoag and I have worked with Linda Rosehill for many years. She has consistently served the people of the State of Hawaii in a most dedicated and diligent manner. She understands the the workings of state government and is also cognizant of important relationships with the federal establishment. Re: GM 623, we strongly support and endorse Linda Rosehill for an additional term.

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