HB 2607, HD1

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TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2607, H.D. 1

March 15, 2016 2:45 P.M.

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PQ ENERGY LLC

House Bill No. 2607, H.D. 1, authorizes the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds (SPRB) to provide financing to assist PQ Energy LLC and to be formed special purpose entities with the development and construction of renewable energy plants within the State of Hawaii pursuant to Part V, Chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The Department is providing comments only to advise the Legislature and prospective SPRB parties that should the legislation be approved, approval of the SPRB issuance will require further discussion and satisfactory credit underwriting review of the financing components with respect to any proposed financing.

The Department also recommends an amendment to Section 4 of the bill, as follows (deleted language striked through; new language underlined):

"SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to July 1, 2016 June 30, 2021, to issue special purpose revenue bonds..."

The amendment to Section 4 will allow the special purpose revenue bonds to be refunded after the sunset date of the authorization.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

Testimony of Gary M. Slovin / Mihoko E. Ito on behalf of PVT Land Company

DATE:

March 14, 2016

TO:

Senator Lorraine Inouye

Chair, Committee on Transportation and Energy Submitted Via <u>TRETestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov</u>

RE:

H.B. 2607, H.D. 1 – Authorizing the Issuance of Special Purpose Revenue

Bonds to Assist PQ Energy LLC

Hearing Date: Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 2:45pm

Conference Room: 229

Dear Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee on Transportation and Energy:

PVT Land Company submits this testimony in support of H.B. 2607, H.D. 1, which authorizes the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to assist PQ Energy LLC.

PVT supports the production of clean renewable energy from locally produced solid waste. The development of waste-to-energy power plants will not only contribute to the State's energy security, but will also reduce the State's carbon footprint and the environmental impact of landfilling waste while adding living-wage jobs to the State's economy.

For these reasons, PVT Land Company supports H.B. 2607, H.D. 1 and respectfully requests this committee to pass the measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this measure.

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Kekoa McClellan	PQ Energy LLC / Pelatron Power Evolution	Support	No

Comments: Aloha and Mahalo for your support of renewable energy projects in Hawaii. We respectfully request the committee consider reinstating the value and effective date of the SPRB which were in the initial draft of HB2607. Me ka pono, Kekoa McClellan Pelatron Power Evolution / PQ Energy LLC

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