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Comments: Expressing strong support for the nomination and confirmation of Doug Schenk for the Board of Directors of ADC. Doug has the long-term experience and knowledge of agriculture in the islands that is critical to the work of ADC. I believe he will be a great asset to the Board.

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THE SENATE

Committee on Agriculture Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Ronald D. Kouchi, Vice Chair Hawaii State Capitol, Room 225 Thursday, October 31, 2013; 9:00 a.m.

STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON G.M. 29 DOUGLAS SCHENK FOR AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The ILWU Local 142 supports the confirmation of Douglas Schenk, who has been nominated to serve on the Board of Directors for the Agribusiness Development Corporation.

Mr. Schenk was raised and educated on Maui, worked summers in the pineapple fields, and ended up being a consummate pineapple grower. He worked various jobs at Maui Land & Pine (ML&P), including plantation superintendent, general manager of ML&P's Honolua plantation, and finally as president of the company.

When Maui Pine decided to cease pineapple operations in 2009, Mr. Schenk, together with other executives from ML&P, formed a hui to start Haliimaile Pineapple Company, in part to employ some of the 200+workers being laid off by Maui Pine but also to keep pineapple growing on Maui. Haliimaile Pineapple bought assets and leased land from ML&P, including rights to use the Maui Gold brand to market fresh fruit grown by the company. This demonstrated Mr. Schenk's commitment not only to Maui but to agriculture.

The ILWU has known Mr. Schenk as a tough but fair employer with a strong work ethic. As chair of the employers' pineapple negotiating committee in several negotiations with the ILWU, Mr. Schenk has looked out for the needs of his company and the industry but has been able to agree to contracts that are fair to the workers as well.

The ILWU urges the confirmation of Douglas Schenk for the Agribusiness Development Corporation. Thank you for considering our testimony.



October 30, 2013

TESTIMONY ON BEHALF OF DOUGLAS SCHENK TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 29, COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE OCTOBER 31, 2013.

Senator Nishihara and Members of the Senate Committee on Agriculture:

My name is Tish Uyehara, current Chair of the Agribusiness Development Corporation and it is my pleasure to offer testimony in support of the appointment of Douglas Schenk, to serve as the representative from Maui. Doug was born and raised in Hawaii and has been involved in Hawaii agriculture most of his illustrious career.

Doug served in many capacities with Maui Land and Pineapple Company, culminating as Executive Vice President and as President of the company. Doug is most recently an Owner, Partner, Director of the successor company to Maui Land and Pineapple Company, Haliimaile Pineapple Company.

I have been fortunate to have met Doug many years ago and have always considered him to be an astute businessman dedicated to the growth of local agriculture as witnessed by his continuing involvement with pineapple on Maui.

I ask that you confirm Doug's nomination as a member of the Agribusiness Development Corporation . I believe he will be an excellent member with much to contribute to the deliberations and decisions facing the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer my support for Doug's nomination to the Agribusiness Development Corporation.

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Director of Marketing





Testimony to the Agricultural Committee

Thursday, October 31, 2013 Conference Room 225 9:00 a.m.

Re: Nominations of Douglas Schenk and L. Douglas MacCluer

Aloha, on behalf of our organization, I am writing to support the following nominations:

- Douglas Schenk to the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation for a term to expire 6-30-2017.
- L. Douglas MacCluer for the Advisory Committee on Pesticides for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

Both gentlemen have a long history in agriculture, working for Maui Land & Pineapple Company, saving Maui Gold pineapple for the people of Maui when Maui Pineapple Company shut down by establishing a new business, and now integrally involved in and serving as directors for Maui Gold Pineapple Co.

Doug MacCluer was also on the Board of Ag. Currently, he serves on the Board of the Central Maui Soil & Water Conservation District and also as the Chair of the Maui Drought Council.

I can speak highly of both individuals and strongly recommend both Gubernatorial nominations for the respective positions noted above.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Sincerely,

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President