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DOH CITES LEEWARD AUTO WRECKERS/ALBERT'S TOWING and ALBERT TENORA

HONOLULU — The Department of Health (DOH) has filed a notice and finding of violation and order against Leeward Auto Wreckers (LAW)/Albert's Towing and Albert Tenora, President (LAW) for the alleged violation of their solid waste management permit. The violations occurred at the LAW auto salvage facility located at 91-209 Kuhela Street, Kapolei, Hawaii. The DOH imposed a penalty of \$11,880.

On February 14, 2006, and on February 15, 2006, LAW accepted approximately 1,000 scrap tires in violation of their solid waste management permit, which only allows the facility to accept scrap tires if they are part of a vehicle brought in for salvage purposes. LAW and DOH reached a settlement in a similar case in 1999 involving the accumulation of approximately 200,000 scrap tires by LAW.

In addition to the \$11,880 penalty, LAW has been ordered to cease and desist accepting scrap tires that are not part of a vehicle brought in for salvage purposes, and remove and properly dispose scrap tires that exceed LAW's permitted storage capacity. LAW may request a hearing to contest the allegations or order.

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