## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ARCHITECTS

Pursuant to Act 002, Session Laws Hawaii 2005, continuing education ("CE") will be required to renew an architect's license effective the April 30, 2008 renewal and every biennial renewal period thereafter. Architects will be required to complete 16 hours of CE credit hours during the biennium from May 1, 2006 to April 30, 2008. All CE courses shall be relevant to public protection subjects.

Public protection subjects shall be related to the health, safety, and welfare ("HSW") of the public. Such subjects include building design, landscape design, environmental or land use analysis, life safety, architectural programming, site planning, site and soils analyses, plant material, accessibility, structural systems considerations, lateral forces, building codes, zoning and governance policies and procedures, evaluation and selection of building systems, products or materials, construction methods, contract documentation, construction administration, energy conservation, hurricane/high wind safety and design, sustainability, building in coastal requirements, mold mitigation, the impact of design on human physiology and neurology, etc.

The CE courses shall be structured educational activities and presented in a planned manner. Courses of study may be taught by qualified individuals or organizations in organized lectures, presentations, or workshops; or by correspondence (including courses of study taught by distance education via computer, video, or telephone).

The basic statutory provisions of the CE requirements can be found in section 464-9(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes, and will also be specified in Chapter 16-115, Hawaii Administrative Rules, in the future.