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BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

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STATE OF HAWAII

COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

<p>In the Matter of Petitions to Amend Interim Instream Flow Standards for East Maui Streams</p>	<p>) SEAN LOA BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF ) HAWAIIAN COMMERCIAL AND ) SUGAR COMPANY'S MOTION TO ) CONSOLIDATE PETITIONS TO AMEND ) INTERIM INSTREAM FLOW ) STANDARDS FOR EAST MAUI ) STREAMS AND COMPLAINT ) RELATING THERETO FILED MAY 29, ) 2008 )</p>
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**SEAN LOA BRIEF RE: HAWAIIAN COMMERCIAL AND SUGAR COMPANY'S  
MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE PETITIONS TO AMEND INTERIM INSTREAM FLOW  
STANDARDS FOR EAST MAUI STREAMS AND COMPLAINT THERETO FILED  
MAY 29, 2008**

I, Sean Loa submit this brief regarding Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company's ("HC&S") Motion to Consolidate Petitions to Amend Interim Instream Flow Standards ("IIFS") for East Maui Streams and Complaint Thereto Filed May 29, 2008. I support the motion to consolidate because it represents the best option for balancing the needs of all instream and ofstream users of the EMI system.

I am an Account Representative at American Machinery. American Machinery is the John Deere dealer in the State of Hawaii, selling, and maintaining equipment. Our clients range from people in the construction business to agriculture. My background as well as interaction with those from all sectors of the community provides me with an appreciation of how everything is related. I therefore, support HC&S's motion to consolidate, with the belief that it will provide a more timely and comprehensive conclusion to this issue.

What happens in one area often has rollover affects, impacting many other people. These

hearings are critical to the people of Maui as it has implications of affecting our future.

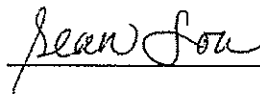
Therefore, it is important that decisionmakers have the best information possible to make a timely decision. These decisions cannot take forever ...else, everyone is in a limbo not knowing what is going to happen and that is not good either. On the other hand, ever changing decisions can seriously impact people too. Once a decision is made, other decisions will follow.

Uncertainty whether the decision was final or what the probability is that the decision will again change does not create a friendly business environment. If a decision is made with a possibility that it will again change, do you go ahead with an investment? What happens if you go ahead with the investment and the decision is modified to negatively impact your operation?

I respectfully request your due consideration of the impacts of decision that are made today. Let us not put ourselves in a position of regret of not having taken a comprehensive approach to the issue.

Therefore, I urge the Commision to approve the Motion to Consolidate

DATED: Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii, September 16, 2008.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sean Loa". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Sean Loa