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September 28, 2012

NOTICE TO THE TRADE – DeCA NOTICE 12-135

Subject: State of Hawaii, Department of Health Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch
Container Fee will increase from 1 to 1.5 cents effective September 1, 2012

The purpose of this Notice to the Trade (NTT) is to inform Industry of the method that the Defense Commissary Agency will use to procure the 1.5 cents handling fee for the Hawaii Deposit Program.

All beverage manufacturers and distributors will be responsible for paying a container fee on each eligible beverage container that is manufactured to be sold in Hawaii or imported into the state. The fee shall be imposed only once on the same beverage and shall be 1.5 cents per beverage container and was effective September 1. The fee applies to all glass; plastic and metal deposit beverage containers 68 fluid ounces or less. The 1.5 cents container fee has been assessed to cover the costs of supporting redemption operations, collection, handling, transportation and administration for the Hawaii Deposit Program.

According to the law, manufacturers and distributors have the option of passing on the 1.5 cents container fee on to consumers as part of the product cost. Due to the logistics in DeCA, we have made the decision to direct all manufacturers and distributors to include the 1.5 cents into the price of the product. With this procedure in effect, a separate line for the container fee on the invoice is not applicable. Manufacturers and distributors will be responsible to deposit all revenues generated from the deposit beverage container fee into the state treasury deposit container deposit special fund by the designated reporting period.

Point of contact regarding this NTT is Ms. Vicki Sliwicki, Local Buyer West and Pacific Areas (includes Alaska and Hawaii), (916) 569-4823, or vicki.sliwicki@deca.mil.

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