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**COUNTY OF MAUI
DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

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WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAII 96793

August 22, 2017

Mr. Scott Glenn, Director
Office of Environmental Quality Control
Department of Health, State of Hawaii
235 S. Beretania Street, Room 702
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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**OFF. OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY CONTROL**

SUBJECT: WITHDRAWAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT PREPARATION NOTICE FOR MAUI ALL NATURAL ALTERNATIVE LLC's PROJECT FOR PRODUCTION OF RENEWABLE ELECTRICAL ENERGY AND PROVISION OF SLUDGE DRYING SERVICES AT THE WAILUKU-KAHULUI WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY, PUBLISHED JUNE 23, 2017

Dear Mr. Glenn:

With this letter, the County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management, hereby withdraws the Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (EISPN) for Maui All Natural Alternative LLC's project for production of renewable electrical energy and provision of sludge drying services at the Wailuku-Kahului Wastewater Reclamation Facility, which was published in the Environmental Notice on June 23, 2017.

The County of Maui Department of Environmental Management has determined through its judgment and experience that an additional trigger under Section 343-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes applies to the proposed action. A revised EISPN will be filed concurrently.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stewart Stant".

STEWART STANT

Director of Environmental Management

Xc: Jeff Walsh, Maui All Natural Resource LLC

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APPLICANT PUBLICATION FORM

Project Name:	Renewable energy conversion and sludge processing for the Wailuku - Kahului Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WKWWRF)
Project Short Name:	WKWWRF Renewable Energy Project
HRS §343-5 Trigger(s):	Use of state or county lands, and use of land classified as conservation district.
Island(s):	Maui
Judicial District(s):	Wailuku District
TMK(s):	(2) 3-8-001:188 (portion)
Permit(s)/Approval(s):	Environmental Impact Statement(EIS), Special Management Area application and approval, Conservation District Use Permit, Department of Health Clean Air Branch, Non-Covered Source Air Permit, County of Maui Construction and Building Permits (Electrical, Fire, Plumbing, Grading) Community Noise Permit, as applicable; Special Flood Hazard Area Development Permit, as applicable, Federal Aviation Administration Notice of Proposed Construction, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.
Approving Agency:	County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management
<i>Contact Name, Email, Telephone, Address</i>	Director Stewart Stant, stewart.stant@co.maui.hi.us, 808-270-7431, 2050 Main Street, Suite 2B, Wailuku, HI 96793
Applicant:	Maui All Natural Alternative, LLC (MANA)
<i>Contact Name, Email, Telephone, Address</i>	Jeff Walsh, jeff.walsh@anaergia.com (808) 729-1495; (760) 436-8870 X-108 5780 Fleet Street, Suite 310, Carlsbad, CA 92008
Consultant:	None
<i>Contact Name, Email, Telephone, Address</i>	

Status (select one)
 DEA-AFNSI
Submittal Requirements

Submit 1) the approving agency notice of determination/transmittal letter on agency letterhead, 2) this completed OEQC publication form as a Word file, 3) a hard copy of the DEA, and 4) a searchable PDF of the DEA; a 30-day comment period follows from the date of publication in the Notice.

 FEA-FONSI

Submit 1) the approving agency notice of determination/transmittal letter on agency letterhead, 2) this completed OEQC publication form as a Word file, 3) a hard copy of the FEA, and 4) a searchable PDF of the FEA; no comment period follows from publication in the Notice.

 FEA-EISPN

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 Act 172-12 EISPN
("Direct to EIS")

Submit 1) the approving agency notice of determination letter on agency letterhead and 2) this completed OEQC publication form as a Word file; no EA is required and a 30-day comment period follows from the date of publication in the Notice.

 DEIS

Submit 1) a transmittal letter to the OEQC and to the approving agency, 2) this completed OEQC publication form as a Word file, 3) a hard copy of the DEIS, 4) a searchable PDF of the DEIS, and 5) a searchable PDF of the distribution list; a 45-day comment period follows from the date of publication in the Notice.

 FEIS

Submit 1) a transmittal letter to the OEQC and to the approving agency, 2) this completed OEQC publication form as a Word file, 3) a hard copy of the FEIS, 4) a searchable PDF of the FEIS, and 5) a searchable PDF of the distribution list; no comment period follows from publication in the Notice.

 FEIS Acceptance
Determination

The approving agency simultaneously transmits to both the OEQC and the applicant a letter of its determination of acceptance or nonacceptance (pursuant to Section 11-200-23, HAR) of the FEIS; no comment period ensues upon publication in the Notice.

 FEIS Statutory

The approving agency simultaneously transmits to both the OEQC and the applicant a notice that it

- Acceptance did not make a timely determination on the acceptance or nonacceptance of the applicant's FEIS under Section 343-5(c), HRS, and therefore the applicant's FEIS is deemed accepted as a matter of law.
- Supplemental EIS Determination The approving agency simultaneously transmits its notice to both the applicant and the OEQC that it has reviewed (pursuant to Section 11-200-27, HAR) the previously accepted FEIS and determines that a supplemental EIS is or is not required; no EA is required and no comment period ensues upon publication in the Notice.
- Withdrawal Identify the specific document(s) to withdraw and explain in the project summary section.
- Other Contact the OEQC if your action is not one of the above items.

Project Summary

Provide a description of the proposed action and purpose and need in 200 words or less.

The County selected Maui All Natural Alternative, LLC ("MANA") at the conclusion of an RFP process for a renewable energy and sludge drying solution. MANA proposed to install an anaerobic digester and associated appurtenances onsite, which will anaerobically digest energy crops grown on former Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar (HC&S) plantation lands and sourced locally from Central Maui Feedstocks, LLC. The product of the anaerobic digestion process is renewable methane in the form of biogas that is treated on site and used to fuel a combined heat and power (CHP) engine for electrical power generation. Waste heat from the CHP with additional biogas will provide the required heat for the drying of all the municipally generated wastewater biosolids produced on Maui. The Project is not designed to export electrical energy to the grid. The entire facility will be located on the west side of the existing aerobic blower building and well within the confines of the WKWWRF. All energy crops will be grown on existing agricultural land.

The Project goals are to provide locally sourced renewable energy to assist the County of Maui in achieving its renewable goals and to provide a long term sustainable solution for biosolids management.