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Marjorie Wallett, Maui Tomorrow Date: May 29, 2008

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2. Location of the violation or water problem: Island of Maui

Tax Map Key: unknown - HC&S's Sugar Plantation in Central Maui

Landowner's Name: Alexander & Baldwin, Inc.

Landowner's Address: 822 Bishop Street, P. O. Box 3440, Honolulu, HI 96801

Landowner's Phone No.: (808) 525-6611

3. The party I have a complaint about or dispute with is: (if more than one party, please attach additional sheets)

Name: East Maui Irrigation, a subsidiary of Alexander & Baldwin, Inc.

Address: Paia, Maui 96779

Phone No.: (808) 579-9516

If the party is not the landowner listed in Section 2 above, please describe the party's relationship to the TMK parcel described in Section 2.

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**4. Describe the complaint or reason for the dispute:**  
(Attach a sketch or photograph if that will help explain the problem.)

Na Moku Aupuni O Ko'olau Hui ("Na Moku") is a nonprofit corporation organized by Native Hawaiian residents of the Ke'anae-Wailuanui ahupua'a, which encompasses the Nahiku, Ke'anae, and Honomanu license areas. Na Moku was formed to promote the general welfare of the tenants and descendants of the ahupua'a of Ke'anae-Wailuanui and elsewhere, in social, spiritual, cultural, educational and economic affairs; to preserve, protect, and enhance the quality of the existing life of the people within the Ke'anae-Wailuanui ahupua'a, and to provide a formal voice and organization through which the residents of the community may participate fully and more meaningfully in the determination and development of policies and decisions affecting their destiny.

Marjorie Wallett and Beatrice Kekahuna are native Hawaiians and are residents of the Huelo license area. Each has a property interest in kuleana land identified as TMK: 2-9-001-014, consisting of LCA 5595-E:1, Grant 1918:1, Grant 3101:2 and Grant 1082, located in Honopou, Maui. This land is riparian to Honopou Stream. Because Honopou Stream fed ancient lo'i on this land since at least prior to November 25, 1892, if not since the time of the Mahele, traditional and/or appurtenant rights and/or riparian use to water from Honopou Stream are associated with these lands.

Beatrice Kekahuna also has property interests in kuleana land identified as TMK: 2-9-001-006 and 2-9-001-014, consisting of LCA 5459-X:2, which is located in Honopou, Maui, and is riparian to Honopou Stream. This stream has been the traditional source of irrigation water for lo'i on this kuleana since time immemorial.

In order to support their appurtenant and traditional and customary use of water to grow taro and gather from the stream, Ms. Kekahuna and Ms. Wallett seek to restore streamflow to Honopou and other streams affected by A&B/EMI ditch system diversions.

Maui Tomorrow, formally known as Maui Tomorrow Foundation, Inc. is a Hawaii nonprofit corporation. The mission of Maui Tomorrow is to foster responsible land use planning, community design and responsible growth for Maui County. Supporters of Maui Tomorrow like Neola Caveny and Ernest Schupp legally reside on property in East Maui and possess riparian and/or appurtenant water rights in streams with insufficient stream flow due to the EMI diversions. Both seek to enforce their appurtenant and/or riparian rights on these lands. This

statement, while submitted by attorneys for Na Moku, et al., covers the position of Maui Tomorrow as well.

The above parties will hereinafter be collectively referred to as Na Moku, et al.

In 1876, construction of the system of ditches and tunnels that diverts on average 160 million gallons of water per day ("mgd") from East Maui streams was commenced. Construction of this ditch system was conditioned upon non-interference with the water and other rights of East Maui landowners. East Maui Irrigation ("EMI"), a subsidiary of Alexander & Baldwin ("A&B"), operates this system consisting of at least four parallel levels of water ditches that run from east to west across the East Maui mountain range intersecting streams within the area and diverting stream flow to Central Maui.

**Scope of diversions.** Although the current average daily water delivery through this system is 160 mgd, it is capable of capturing and, during storm events, captures as much as 445 mgd. While some of the water diverted goes to domestic and other uses, the vast majority irrigates sugar cane in fields in Central Maui owned by Hawai'i Commercial and Sugar ("HC&S"), another A&B subsidiary. To place this volume in perspective, all domestic water uses on O'ahu total about 160 mgd.

**Common Law Limitations.** In a dramatically revealing irony, in or around 1900, approximately thirty years into its out-of-watershed diversion of East Maui stream water, HC&S filed a suit in equity for an injunction to restrain its competitor Wailuku Sugar Company from making out-of-watershed diversions of Wailuku Stream stream water. *Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company v. Wailuku Sugar Company*, 15 Haw. 675 (1904) ("*HCS v. WSC*").

In *HC&S v. WSC*, the Court ruled that Wailuku Sugar Co.'s diversions and resulting use of water could "not violate the requirement of the well established rule that such diversion shall be without injury to the rights of others." *Lonoaea, et al. v. Wailuku Sugar Company and Claus Spreckels*, 9 Haw. 651 (1895) ("*Lonoaea*"). Because the Court found that since 1894 Wailuku Sugar Co. had exceeded its rights as determined in *Lonoaea*, it issued an injunction restraining Wailuku Sugar Co. from continuing to "commit any acts in excess of its rights."

So, while A&B/EMI benefited greatly from this precedent in the above case, and specifically agreed initially that it would not interfere with the rights of landowners in East Maui, it nonetheless continues to turn a blind eye to the rights Na Moku, et al. and other East Maui landowners and native tenants, ignoring these rights in its wholesale diversions of East

Maui stream flow.

**Waste of Water by HC&S.** It is abundantly clear that the State and its predecessors have never, in the 130-year history of A&B/EMI's diversions of East Maui stream flow, required A&B/EMI to justify its use by providing empirically verifiable facts of its actual water needs. Moreover, as Lee Jakeway made abundantly clear in his written and live testimony during the hearing on interim relief, A&B/EMI is wasting water. Using figures for average water consumption by A&B/EMI to supposedly irrigate their sugar fields, the interim hearings revealed that, in the wet winter months of November to April between 2002 and 2004, it applied 134 million gallons per day (MGD) to 7560 acres (of the 25,000 acres irrigated with the use of both ground and East Maui water). Therefore, in any given 2-day rotation schedule during that time period, A&B/EMI applied an average of **17,725 gallons per acre per day (gad)**.

In the dry summer months of May to October between 2002 and 2004, A&B/EMI applied 268 MGD on 7560 acres (of the 25,000 acres irrigated with the use of both ground and East Maui water). Therefore, in any given 2-day rotation schedule during this dry period, A&B/EMI applied an average of **35,450 gad**.

This extravagant use of water at a usage charge of next to nothing (0.2 cent per 1000 gallons) indicates the ludicrous position of this private commercial entity. Small farmers subscribing to state irrigation system water delivery typically pay 35 cents per 1000 gallons or more. A&B/EMI has no legal rights to this water, and is apparently wasting what it diverts, but has, through sheer inertia and economic power, trumped superior common law, and the constitutional and statutory rights of Na Moku, et al. *See*, Partial Transcript for November 15, 2006, of Lee Jakeway Testimony, attached hereto.

**5. Describe how your water usage or water rights are specifically affected by the other party, if at all:**

In this instance, Marjorie Walleth and Beatrice Kekahuna, are Native Hawaiian and each have legal interests in ancient lo'i in Honopou on which their ancestors lived and grew taro for generations. A&B/EMI's diversions adversely affect their and their `ohana's rights to cultivate taro on these lands and to exercise traditional and customary rights in and around Honopou Stream and other streams.

Similarly, these diversions adversely affect members of Na Moku Aupuni O Ko`olau Hui's right to grow taro in their lo'i and to engage in other traditional and customary native

Hawaiian rights ensured by HRS 1-1 and 7-1, Article XI, §§ 1 & 7 and Article XII, § 7 of the Hawai'i Constitution, and HRS § 174C-63.

**6. Date the problem was first noticed:**

Although waste has long been suspected, confirmation of such was not received until November 15, 2006, and through the live testimony of Lee Jakeway. *See*, Partial Transcript dated November 15, 2006, of Lee Jakeway Testimony.

**7. If this complaint or dispute is related to a water source, was the water source previously declared with the Commission on Water Resources Management?**

Yes       No       Don't Know

**If yes, what was the name and tax map key of the source?**

**8. Have you had any communication with the party/parties described in Section 3 above?**

Yes       No

**If yes, list the communications and dates: (Attach copies if written communications were made)**

Na Moku, et al. and A&B/EMI are parties to a contested case hearing before the Board of Land and Natural Resources regarding A&B's application for a long term lease and, alternatively, revocable permits from the BLNR. Complainants have also petitioned the Commission to amend the interim instream flow standards of 27 East Maui streams diverted by A&B. Although Na Moku, et al. and A&B/EMI have communicated with each other with respect to the issues involved in those matters, Na Moku, et al. have not had direct communications with A&B regarding its waste of water.

**9. Have you sought resolution of this matter with any other entity?  
(e.g., government agency, judicial body, or private entity)**

Yes       No

**If so, with whom and what was the outcome?  
(Please provide copies of any documentation of this process)**

**10. Describe what you believe a successful remedy might be:**

A&B/EMI be ordered to prove, with empirically verifiable facts, (1) their actual water need, (2) that there are no feasible alternative sources of water to accommodate such need or any portion thereof, and (3), immediately return any and all waste to diverted East Maui streams.

I request that the Commission on Water Resource Management assist in resolving the matter described herein.

Mark A. Hau III  
Signature

5/29/08  
Date

BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of Contested (DLNR FILE: 01-05-MA Case Regarding Water Licenses) at Honomanu, Keanae, Nahiku and Huelo, Maui

CONTESTED CASE HEARING

Held on November 16, 2005, commencing at 9:00 a.m. at Haiku Community Center, Haiku, Hawaii

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BEFORE: JEAN MARIE McMANUS Hawaii CSR #168, CA CSR #3119

HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: The hearing will come to order. We're reconvened. Counsel are all present except for Mr. Freedman whom I'm informed will not be here today. MR. SCHULMEISTER: He advised us before he left yesterday he would not be coming today. HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: And we'll continue with the cross-examination of Mr. Hew. MR. SCHULMEISTER: Actually what we're going to do is take Mr. Holaday out of order. MR. HALL: I would object to that. I thought we were going to finish Mr. Hew. I had planned on that. MR. MURAKAMI: So had I. MR. SCHULMEISTER: The beginning of yesterday I specifically brought that up first order of business -- HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: How long is he going to be? MR. SCHULMEISTER: I'm just going turn him over for cross. MR. HALL: I didn't agree to that. The only person I agreed to take out of order was Mr. Watanabe. MR. SCHULMEISTER: That was the very first

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thing we were going to do this morning. MR. HALL: No, it wasn't. You said you thought you were going to do Mr. Hew and then after that you were going to take your other two witnesses and you thought it would be the next day. You didn't say you were going to take them out of order. HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: How long is Mr. Hew going to be? MR. HALL: We talked about that yesterday. HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: I'll let you take him out of order. You don't have any direct examination? MR. SCHULMEISTER: No, just putting in his declaration. MR. HALL: How many of these witnesses are coming out of order? I think he thinks there's more than one. HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: That's it, I hope. MR. SCHULMEISTER: Well, I was planning to take Mr. Jakeway as well, although I think he's definitely more available. HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: We will just do one.

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G. STEPHEN HOLADAY was called as a witness by and on behalf of A&B and EMI, was sworn to tell the truth, was examined and testified as follows: HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: State your name, please, for the record. THE WITNESS: G. Stephen Holaday. HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: P-h? THE WITNESS: Yes. DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SCHULMEISTER: Q. Mr. Holaday, can you state your employer? A. My employer is Alexander & Baldwin. Q. And your position? A. I am general manager of Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company and president of the agricultural group. Q. You have in front of you a copy of a written declaration purports to be signed by you on July 29th, 2005, is that correct? A. Correct. Q. Is that a true and correct copy of your written testimony in this case? A. Yes. Q. Is that testimony true and correct to the best of your belief?

- 1 any given day?
- 2 A. There's a report in cultivated acres that
- 3 does detail the number of acres. And that was the
- 4 basis for the requirement for water for that ditch.
- 5 So that would take into account the acres that were
- 6 receiving water.
- 7 Q. But so you're saying you didn't commit it to
- 8 memory and you can't say what that percentage of
- 9 either irrigated land was or lands not being irrigated
- 10 at any given time?
- 11 A. That total would vary from day-to-day.
- 12 Q. Do you have an idea of what the range of that
- 13 variation is in terms of the percentage of lands being
- 14 irrigated or not being irrigated?
- 15 A. I would have to go back and review the
- 16 records. I do not know that right at this moment.
- 17 Q. And you have no idea --
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. -- whether it was ten percent, 25 percent?
- 20 A. If you want a range, I can hazard a guess.
- 21 Q. Based on your best estimate and years of
- 22 experience?
- 23 A. I would say it's less than ten percent.
- 24 Q. More than five percent?
- 25 A. I couldn't tell you exactly.

- 1 Q. So if, in fact, it would be no more than ten
- 2 percent being irrigated; is that right?
- 3 A. I would think that would be generally true,
- 4 yes.
- 5 Q. So based on your testimony, I would -- Is it
- 6 true or not true then at any given time typically HC&S
- 7 was irrigating 27,000 acres of land per day -- I mean
- 8 every day?
- 9 A. Based on that math, yes, that would be close
- 10 to that.
- 11 Q. So if that's true, then if we use generally a
- 12 ten percent figure, then the figures I gave you
- 13 earlier as to the gallons per day per acre would have
- 14 to be increased by approximately ten percent to show
- 15 what amount of water was being applied to those lands
- 16 that were being irrigated by your operations on a per
- 17 day per acre basis?
- 18 A. Yes, that would be driven by whatever acres
- 19 are requiring irrigation water.
- 20 Q. So that would be more in the neighborhood of
- 21 5,000 gallons approximately per day per acre to 9,000
- 22 -- 10,000 gallons per day per acre, thereabouts. Is
- 23 that correct?
- 24 A. According to that math, yes.
- 25 Q. So is it also true then -- let me ask this.

- 1 As I understand your testimony, you need
- 2 to irrigate the lands of HC&S based on the rate of
- 3 evaporation and transpiration that you experience in
- 4 those fields?
- 5 A. That is correct. We try to keep up with
- 6 evapotranspiration rate.
- 7 Q. So what you would have to apply, as I
- 8 understand your testimony, is the same rate by which
- 9 water is evaporating or transpiring -- transpiration
- 10 is occurring from the fields that are affected by your
- 11 irrigation?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- 13 Q. At this point then, Mr. Jakeway, who has
- 14 taken charge of the actual irrigation operations of
- 15 HC&S?
- 16 A. You want a name?
- 17 Q. Yes.
- 18 A. Mr. Rodney Chin.
- 19 Q. So in essence was your position a new
- 20 position, or one which was split off from your old
- 21 position?
- 22 A. It was actually a new position.
- 23 Q. And Mr. Chin stepped into your position as
- 24 the person in charge of irrigation operations?
- 25 A. That is correct.

- 1 Q. What I didn't understand by that statement, I
- 2 guess, is if it's equal to evaporation and
- 3 transpiration, are you left with nothing for the
- 4 actual plant to absorb?
- 5 A. The transpiration by definition is what the
- 6 plant is -- water is going through the plant.
- 7 Q. It's going and leaving the plant.
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Isn't there any water left over for the
- 10 plant, if you're just irrigating to the extent that
- 11 there's evaporation and transpiration?
- 12 A. You're irrigating to provide the soil
- 13 moisture reservoir for the plant to grow healthy
- 14 through whatever evaporation and transpiration is
- 15 going on. So it's a combination of soil evaporation
- 16 and transpiration through the plant.
- 17 Q. So you're basically assuming that whatever
- 18 the moisture content of the soil is at the time, is
- 19 sufficient for the plant to absorb whatever needs it
- 20 has for water?
- 21 A. It has to be maintained at a certain soil
- 22 percentage level, soil moisture level, in order to
- 23 maintain good growth crop in the growth of the plant.
- 24 Q. And, Mr. Jakeway, do you have any -- are you
- 25 provided with any information as to what authority,

- 1 legal or otherwise, HC&S has with respect to being
- 2 able to take water from the East Maui Irrigation Ditch
- 3 system without regard for the water needs of taro
- 4 farmers in East Maui?
- 5 MR. SCHULMEISTER: Beyond the scope of
- 6 direct. Calls for legal conclusion.
- 7 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: I'll
- 8 sustain that.
- 9 MR. MURAKAMI: That's all I have.
- 10 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: I just
- 11 wanted to get a general idea. Irrigation of sugar,
- 12 obviously there's a great variation in seasons. But
- 13 let's take the dry seasons.
- 14 Is a particular field being irrigated
- 15 24-hours-a-day? In other words, the water is turned
- 16 on.
- 17 THE WITNESS: Normally the way the
- 18 irrigation is planned is by irrigation rounds. So a
- 19 field will get a round that lasts on average 48 hours.
- 20 And that may be good for one week. And then during
- 21 that time the soil moisture will be depleted, you have
- 22 to come back and irrigate that field again. And that
- 23 varies depending on the time of year.
- 24 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Right
- 25 so in the winter you would have to do that less often.

- 1 THE WITNESS: During the cooler winter
- 2 months when the evapotranspiration rate is lower.
- 3 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Okay
- 4 Any other questions?
- 5 MR. MURAKAMI: Can I follow up with that
- 6 line of questioning?
- 7 FURTHER CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 8 BY MR. MURAKAMI:
- 9 Q. As I understood your earlier testimony you
- 10 said that at all times 27,000 acres were being
- 11 irrigated, correct?
- 12 A. No, I did not say that. Not all 27,000 acres
- 13 were being irrigated.
- 14 Q. For the lands for which you're irrigating,
- 15 excluding the lands under cultivation and/or some
- 16 other form of operation where there is no planting,
- 17 how many acres are being irrigated?
- 18 A. I stand corrected, yes, 27,000 of the 30,000,
- 19 if the ten percent figure is used for the fallow.
- 20 Q. You said that 27,000 acres are being
- 21 irrigated, correct?
- 22 A. Well, they're not all being irrigated.
- 23 Q. That's different than the answer you gave me
- 24 earlier. My question to you was at any given time,
- 25 how many acres were being irrigated outside of the



1 cultivation and other operations where there are no  
 2 plants in the ground?  
 3 MR. SCHULMEISTER: When you say being  
 4 irrigated, you mean water is being applied?  
 5 MR. MURAKAMI: What else would it mean?  
 6 MS. LOVELL: I thought irrigation  
 7 schedules --  
 8 MR. MURAKAMI: I didn't say irrigation  
 9 schedule.  
 10 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Well,  
 11 but it's obvious, Mr. Murakami. I mean, you know, you  
 12 don't have the water on all the time.  
 13 MR. MURAKAMI: That's not true for taro,  
 14 why should it not be true for sugarcane?  
 15 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: It is  
 16 true for taro.  
 17 MR. MURAKAMI: I'm sorry?  
 18 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: It is  
 19 true for taro, but anyway taro would have no  
 20 application. The question is how do you define  
 21 irrigation. What I understand the witness to be  
 22 saying is that irrigation means that they are  
 23 providing water as-needed when measured by the soil  
 24 moisture.  
 25 MR. MURAKAMI: Can I ask him a different

1 average during the wet winter months, you're applying  
 2 at any given moment when there is a cycle of  
 3 irrigation on 28 percent of the lands, over 18,000  
 4 gallons per day per acre?  
 5 A. According to that math, yes, for two days out  
 6 of seven days a week, so you have to average that over  
 7 the entire seven days.  
 8 Q. I understand that. But if you go past the  
 9 two days, you're applying irrigation water to another  
 10 set of lands of about 7,560 acres on the average?  
 11 A. On an average, yes.  
 12 Q. And you rotate that after that two days?  
 13 A. Yeah.  
 14 Q. So every two-day cycle you're applying  
 15 approximately the same amount of water on average to  
 16 7,560 acres.  
 17 MR. SCHULMEISTER: To a different acre --  
 18 MR. MURAKAMI: I'm sorry, is it argument  
 19 or is there an objection?  
 20 MR. SCHULMEISTER: The objection is lacks  
 21 foundation, assumes facts not in evidence.  
 22 MR. MURAKAMI: I'm using all of his facts.  
 23 I'm using all of his evidence.  
 24 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL:  
 25 Clarify, rephrase.

1 way?  
 2 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Okay.  
 3 Q. MR. MURAKAMI: During the winter months, what  
 4 percentage of time on the 20,000 acres being irrigated  
 5 is water being applied?  
 6 MR. SCHULMEISTER: You mean to a  
 7 particular acre?  
 8 MR. MURAKAMI: All 20,000 acres.  
 9 MR. SCHULMEISTER: That assumes they're  
 10 all being irrigated at the same time.  
 11 MR. MURAKAMI: I'm asking. Half of the  
 12 acreage? Three-quarters of the acreage?  
 13 A. Can I use my calculator?  
 14 Q. Yes.  
 15 A. You make the assumption of two days per week  
 16 and each irrigation round last two days, it would be  
 17 about 28 percent.  
 18 Q. What?  
 19 A. Of that 20,000 acres that would be receiving  
 20 irrigation water, that would be irrigated during that  
 21 time.  
 22 Q. Basically -- wait, 2800, you said?  
 23 A. 28 percent of that 27,000.  
 24 Q. And 28 percent of 27,000 acres is how many  
 25 acres?

1 Q. MR. MURAKAMI: So your testimony is there is  
 2 a rotation schedule for irrigation, correct?  
 3 A. That's correct.  
 4 Q. And that takes about two days at a time,  
 5 correct?  
 6 A. On average, yeah.  
 7 Q. I'm talking about the winter months now.  
 8 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: What?  
 9 MR. MURAKAMI: The winter months, off  
 10 peak.  
 11 Q. And you're saying that in any given average  
 12 cycle approximately 7,560 acres are being actually  
 13 irrigated with water during that two-day cycle,  
 14 correct?  
 15 A. If there was rainfall, then there wouldn't be  
 16 any irrigation rounds, but this is on average.  
 17 Q. But you've already assumed some differences  
 18 in rainfall based on the peak and off-peak months,  
 19 correct? We're talking about the wet winter months,  
 20 correct?  
 21 A. Yeah, that's correct.  
 22 Q. So if you're applying water on the ground to  
 23 7,560 acres at a time approximately on the average,  
 24 and you're applying 134 million gallons a day on the  
 25 average to that acreage, then you are applying

1 A. That's about 7,560 acres.  
 2 Q. 7,560 acres?  
 3 A. Yes.  
 4 Q. If you took 134 million gallons per day  
 5 divided by that figure, what would you get?  
 6 A. That 134 million gallons a day represents an  
 7 average.  
 8 Q. Fine. That's during the wet periods. I'm  
 9 asking you during the wet period what is it for 7,560  
 10 acres being irrigated at any given moment?  
 11 MR. SCHULMEISTER: Let me object. You  
 12 take a day, now you're transposing it to a moment? I  
 13 think it's lack of foundation. That doesn't make any  
 14 sense.  
 15 MR. MURAKAMI: I think it makes perfect  
 16 sense and I think it is admissible.  
 17 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: I won't  
 18 comment on whether it makes sense or not, but I'll  
 19 allow it.  
 20 MR. MURAKAMI: Thank you.  
 21 A. I come up with approximate number of about  
 22 18,000 gallons.  
 23 Q. Per day per acre?  
 24 A. Per acre per day.  
 25 Q. So is my understanding correct that on the

1 18,000 -- over 18,000 gallons per day per acre,  
 2 correct?  
 3 A. For that two day irrigation rounds, that is  
 4 correct.  
 5 Q. Then the next two days you'll be doing the  
 6 same thing?  
 7 A. For another area, yes.  
 8 Q. The next two days after that, the same thing?  
 9 A. For another area.  
 10 Q. Yeah, for another area. And this goes on  
 11 throughout the whole off-peak period, correct?  
 12 A. It's being driven also by the soil moisture  
 13 program. So if it requires irrigation --  
 14 Q. You might put more or you might back off  
 15 depending on need?  
 16 A. Correct.  
 17 Q. But we're talking on the average now,  
 18 correct?  
 19 A. Yes.  
 20 Q. So throughout the wet winter periods, you're  
 21 applying over 18,000 gallons per day per acre?  
 22 A. No. I wouldn't characterize that. We don't  
 23 do that continuously throughout the winter period.  
 24 Q. I'm not asking you to do it continuously. I  
 25 said on the average you're applying 18,000 gallons per

1 day per acre during the wet winter months?  
 2 A. That would be correct from the math that we  
 3 worked through.  
 4 Q. And if you moved on to the dry months, you  
 5 would be applying over 36, maybe 37 gallons per day  
 6 per acre during the dry months, peak months, correct?  
 7 It's double, basically double on the average. Not on  
 8 every given day necessarily, but on the average  
 9 throughout that dry period of irrigation, correct?  
 10 MR. SCHULMEISTER: You mean on the average  
 11 day of the water being applied?  
 12 MR. MURAKAMI: An average peak period day  
 13 throughout the peak season, you would be applying  
 14 37,000-plus gallons per day per acre.  
 15 MS. LOVELL: I object. That's an  
 16 incomplete hypothetical.  
 17 MR. MURAKAMI: I can't respond to that not  
 18 knowing what the incompleteness is.  
 19 MS. LOVELL: Reservoirs and tanks come to  
 20 mind.  
 21 MR. MURAKAMI: Your Honor, that has  
 22 nothing to do with it. I'm applying his figures to  
 23 what he says he applies to the ground. It has nothing  
 24 to do with tanks and reservoirs. It probably  
 25 incorporates the notion of tanks and reservoirs. It's

1 not my math.  
 2 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Sound  
 3 like it to me. Anyway --  
 4 MR. MURAKAMI: I'd like to know. I'm  
 5 asking you. If my math is wrong, this is an important  
 6 point. I want you to correct it.  
 7 A. If that's what the water requirements are  
 8 required based on evapotranspiration requirements and  
 9 if that's what the math works out to be, that's  
 10 correct. It's just a different way of presenting it.  
 11 Q. Another way of looking at the same problem,  
 12 right?  
 13 A. Yeah.  
 14 MR. MURAKAMI: Thank you. That's all I  
 15 have.  
 16 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Any  
 17 questions?  
 18 MS. LOVELL: I have a couple of questions.  
 19 CROSS-EXAMINATION  
 20 BY MS. LOVELL:  
 21 Q. I'm Jane Lovell, one of the county's lawyers.  
 22 When you calculate water needs for the  
 23 30,000 acres that are available for cultivation, do  
 24 you also take into account water storage needs?  
 25 MR. MURAKAMI: Object, that's vague.

1 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: I'll  
 2 permit it.  
 3 THE WITNESS: No, we do not. That's based  
 4 on what the crop needs, so there is no consideration  
 5 given to keeping a reservoir full.  
 6 Q. MS. LOVELL: That's what I was trying to get  
 7 at.  
 8 So the 18,000 gallon figure that we just  
 9 heard, that all would be applied to fields and none of  
 10 that figure would go into tanks or reservoirs?  
 11 A. Some of that -- well, if we're dealing with  
 12 averages here that come from EMI, some of that could  
 13 go to reservoirs.  
 14 Q. Could you just explain generally how storage  
 15 of water in tanks and reservoirs fits into your  
 16 irrigation scheme?  
 17 A. We have several reservoirs that are located  
 18 throughout our ditch system, so during periods of high  
 19 flow when irrigation -- when we have peak irrigation  
 20 or flows in the ditches, we will store water in our  
 21 reservoir system and then that water will be used  
 22 later on for irrigation rounds.  
 23 Q. So is it fair to say that during the wet  
 24 winter months, reservoirs will be filled and then that  
 25 water will be drawn upon during the dry months?

1 A. It will be drawn upon during the dry periods  
 2 during the winter seasons, because it's going to be  
 3 wet and dry periods.  
 4 MS. LOVELL: Thank you.  
 5 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL:  
 6 Anything else?  
 7 MR. MURAKAMI: Yes.  
 8 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Are you  
 9 going to keep going with this?  
 10 MR. MURAKAMI: He's giving inconsistent  
 11 answers. He just said this figure includes water put  
 12 in reservoirs, and I asked him earlier if it's water  
 13 put on the ground. Which one is it?  
 14 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: I'll  
 15 let you ask the question.  
 16 FURTHER CROSS-EXAMINATION  
 17 BY MR. MURAKAMI:  
 18 Q. Let me ask the question. Is Paragraph 9 a  
 19 figure that you produced for the application of water  
 20 on the ground as opposed to water on the ground and  
 21 storage and reservoirs?  
 22 A. This was a figure that was produced based on  
 23 the evapotranspiration requirements of a plant, of the  
 24 sugarcane plant.  
 25 Q. So doesn't that necessarily mean that the

1 water amounts that you stated here is reflective of  
 2 what you're applying to the ground on the 7500 acres  
 3 at a time?  
 4 A. That would be correct.  
 5 Q. It doesn't include any amounts that you would  
 6 siphon off for storage in a reservoir?  
 7 A. If we had excess flows during that time that  
 8 would not be included during that time. That would be  
 9 stored and then used to supplement or to average out  
 10 this figure that is presented here in Paragraph 9.  
 11 Q. I'm not sure this is clear. Either amount,  
 12 the 134 million gallons per day or the 268 million  
 13 gallons per day, does any of that water -- Is any of  
 14 that water being diverted for storage in the same  
 15 fashion that you just described in your earlier  
 16 testimony?  
 17 A. The numbers that are talked about in  
 18 Paragraph 9 refer to the evapotranspiration of the  
 19 water requirements of the crop typically during those  
 20 periods. So there could be water in the reservoirs  
 21 that are drawn upon to provide this need or this  
 22 average need during this time.  
 23 Q. Maybe I'm not making myself clear. But those  
 24 two figures, 134 million gallons per day and 268  
 25 million gallons per day, is that water being applied

1 to the plant or ground, whichever you want to choose,  
 2 as opposed to any amounts being diverted for storage  
 3 in reservoirs?  
 4 A. On average that would be applied to the  
 5 plant.  
 6 Q. Thank you.  
 7 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: That's  
 8 all, thank you very much. Any other witnesses, Mr.  
 9 Schulmeister?  
 10 MR. SCHULMEISTER: No.  
 11 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: Any  
 12 rebuttal?  
 13 MR. MURAKAMI: Yes, we do.  
 14 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: What do  
 15 you have.  
 16 MR. MURAKAMI: I have at least two -- we  
 17 have three.  
 18 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: We'll  
 19 take a couple minutes.  
 20 (Recess was taken.)  
 21 HEARINGS OFFICER JUDGE McCONNELL: We're  
 22 back on the record.  
 23 STEVEN GREG KAI HO'OKANO  
 24 was called as a rebuttal witness by and on behalf of  
 25 Na Moku, et al, was sworn to tell the truth, was