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December 19, 2024

Ms. Dawn Chang, Chair
and Commissioners
State of Hawai'i
Commission on Water Resource Management
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair and Commissioners:

SUBJECT: Adoption of the East Honolulu Watershed Management Plan (EHWMP) to Update the Water Use and Development Plan for the City and County of Honolulu for Incorporation into the Hawai'i Water Plan

The Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) supports the adoption of the East Honolulu Watershed Management Plan (WMP), amending the Hawai'i Water Plan.

On September 18, 2024, the State Commission on Water Resource Management (CWRM), held a public meeting at the Koko Head Elementary School to present the East Honolulu WMP and on November 19, 2024, the BWS presented the WMP to CWRM and provided responses to all questions and comments.

The WMP incorporates environmentally holistic, economically viable and community based planning for watershed protection and water use and development, and includes the sustainable vision and policies consistent with the East Honolulu Sustainable Communities Plan. The WMP identifies sustainable policies, projects and strategies for climate change, sea level rise, nearshore water quality, water conservation, maintaining traditional and customary practices, flooding and drainage, access to mauka and makai areas and wildfires in East Honolulu.

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The plan was developed in coordination with the City and County of Honolulu
Department of Planning and Permitting and CWRM staff.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony in support of the adoption of the East
Honolulu WMP.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ernest Lau", with a stylized flourish above the name.

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cc: Department of Planning and Permitting
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