ISSUANCE OF A REVOCABLE PERMIT TO TRI-ISLE, INC. AT KALAELOA BARBERS POINT HARBOR, ISLAND OF OAHU

LEGAL REFERENCE:
Chapters 171-11 and 55, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

APPLICANT:
Tri-Isle, Inc.
860 Eha Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

CHARACTER OF USE:
Laydown area for storage, staging, and transport of windmill components.

LOCATION:
Open, unpaved land near the north east corner, Kalaeloa Barbers Point Harbor, Honouliuli, Ewa, Oahu, Tax Map Key: 1st/9-1-14: 24 (Portion), as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit “A.”

CURRENT USE STATUS:
Governor’s Executive Order No 3383.

AREA:
Approximately 262,700 square feet of open, unpaved land.

RENTAL:
$57,794.00 per month.

SECURITY DEPOSIT:
$115,588.00

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ZONING: State Land Use Commission: Urban  
     City and County of Honolulu: I-3

COMMENCEMENT DATE: To be determined by the Director of Transportation.

LAND TITLE STATUS: Land acquired after Statehood (non-ceded).

CHAPTER 343 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT: Harbors Division has determined that the applicant is exempted from Chapter 343, HRS requirements regarding preparation and submittal of a Draft Environmental Assessment to the accepting agency (Department of Transportation) based on DOT’s Comprehensive Exemption List. Exemption Class 4: “Minor alteration in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation.” Harbors Division considered primary, secondary and cumulative impacts in making its determination.

REMARKS: Tri-Isle, Inc. requested use of approximately 6 acres at the northeast corner of Kalaeloa Barbers Point Harbor (KBPH) as a laydown area for storage, staging, and transport of windmill components for the Kawaiola Wind Energy Project.

The Kawaiola Wind Energy Project will be the largest wind energy facility in Hawaii. The project’s thirty 2.3 MW Siemens wind turbines will have the capacity to generate enough clean, renewable wind energy to power the equivalent of approximately 14,500 homes on the island, or as much as five percent of Oahu’s annual electrical demand. The wind farm will be located on Kamehameha School’s Kawaiola Plantation lands, about 5 miles northeast of Haleiwa town on the north shore of Oahu, and was developed with input from the local community.

Arrival of the first components is tentatively scheduled for May 5, 2012 and use of the KBPH site may last from two to four months. The Harbors Division recommends the issuance of a revocable permit for the above stated use.

The rental shall be $57,794.00 per month. The rental is based on $0.22 per square foot, per month, which is the tariff storage charge for open, unpaved land, at the subject location.
RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board authorizes the Department of Transportation, Harbors Division to issue the applicant a revocable permit for the above stated purpose, subject to the terms and conditions outlined above and incorporated herein by reference, and such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Director of Transportation.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

GLENN M. OKIMOTO, Ph.D.
Director of Transportation

Attachment

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

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WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson and Member
Board of Land and Natural Resources