STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Land Division
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

October 11, 2013

Board of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

PSF No.: 13OD-167
Oahu

Issuance of Right-of-Entry Permit to Hilton Hawaiian Village LLC for Beach Volleyball Event Purposes from November 15 to 18, 2013, Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, Tax Map Key: (1) 2-3-037:021 (Portion).

APPLICANT:

Hilton Hawaiian Village LLC, a domestic limited liability company.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Sections 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands situated at Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, identified by Tax Map Key (1) 2-3-037:021 portion, as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit A.

AREA:

50,000 square feet, more or less.

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Urban
City and County of Honolulu LUO: Public Precinct

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(a) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act
DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: No

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Requested area is vacant and unencumbered.
CHARACTER OF USE:

Beach volleyball event purposes

TERM:

November 15, 2013 (Friday), 8:00 a.m. to November 18, 2013 (Monday), 6:00 p.m.

RENTAL:

Waived. See Remarks Section

COLLATERAL SECURITY DEPOSIT:

None

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Section 11-200-8(a)(1)(4), the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1, that states "Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing" and Class No. 4, that states "Minor alteration in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation.", as included in Exhibit B.

DCCA VERIFICATION:

Place of business registration confirmed: YES X NO 
Registered business name confirmed: YES X NO 
Applicant in good standing confirmed: YES X NO 

REMARKS:

Hilton Hawaiian Village, LLC (HHV) is requesting a right-of-entry permit for beach volleyball event purposes in connection with USA Volleyball, a nonprofit sports organization. The organizer invites men and women teams from Canada, China, and USA to participate in the event. The event will be broadcasted in Canada, China and nationwide in December 2013. Staff understands the respective broadcasting channels will apply for filming permits from the State Film Office. HHV will not receive any compensation from the event and acknowledges that there will be no commercial activities within the requested area.

The equipment on the beach will consist of bleachers, risers, grass shack, score board and
tents as shown on Exhibit C. The matches will be held on November 16 and 17, 2013, and the requested period covers both the setup and take-down period.

Due to the planned broadcast in Canada, China, and nationwide, the event is expected to promote Hawaii tourism. Therefore, HHV requests the Board waive the rent for the requested right-of-entry permit, which would be in the amount of $20,000 based on the normal unit rate of 10 cents/square feet/day. On September 28, 2001, item D-4, the Board allowed the waiver of rent for uses that provide the state of Hawaii with substantial, out-of-State marketing exposure, through television, movies or other media. The Board has waived the rent to the same request on September 14, 2012. Staff has no objection to the request for waiver of rent.

Applicant has not had a lease, permit, easement or other disposition of State lands terminated within the past five years due to non-compliance with such terms and conditions. No comments were solicited from government or community agencies. Staff does not have any objection to the request.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board:

1. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200, HAR, this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

2. Authorize the issuance of a right-of-entry permit to Hilton Hawaiian Village LLC covering the subject area for beach volleyball event purposes under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following:

   a. The standard terms and conditions of the most current right-of-entry permit form, as may be amended from time to time;

   b. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barry Cheung
District Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

William J. Aila Jr., Chairperson
EXEMPTION NOTIFICATION

Regarding the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Chapter 343, HRS and Chapter 11-200, HAR

Project Title: Beach Volleyball Event Purposes on Duke Kahanamoku Beach
Project / Reference No.: PSF 13D-167
Project Location: Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, TMK (1) 2-3-037:portion of 021.
Project Description: Beach volleyball event purposes
Chap. 343 Trigger(s): Use of State Land

Exemption Class No.: In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Section 11-200-8(a)(1)(4), the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1, that states "Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing" and Class No. 4, that states "Minor alteration in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation."

This Division has permitted similar events in the past. The proposed activity is of a similar type and scope of beach activities that periodically occurred and continues to occur on this and other beach areas across the State. Such activities have resulted in no known significant impacts, whether immediate or cumulative, to the natural, environmental and/or cultural resources in the area. As such staff believes that the proposed event would involve negligible or no expansion or change in use of the subject area beyond that previously existing.

Consulted Parties: Office of Conservation and Coastal Land

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board find that this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is presumed to be exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

William J. Aila Jr., Chairperson

Date 8/27/13

EXHIBIT B