THE INSTANCE OF USAGE OF ELECTRIC GUNS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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This report is submitted in accordance with Section 134-16(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding the maintenance of records and instance of usage of electric guns by the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department).

Act 148, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, clarified the usage of electric guns by the Department’s Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE), while continuing efforts toward accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies no later than June 30, 2018. DOCARE has purchased electric guns commonly known as “Tasers” and related accessories. DOCARE is currently establishing appropriate policies relating to the use and training of these “Taser” electric guns. Consequently, the Department reports no instances of the use of electric guns by its DOCARE Officers.