



August 13, 2011

Mr. David K. Tanoue, Director  
Department of Planning and Permitting  
City and County of Honolulu  
650 South King Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Project File Number 2011/GEN-8, Waimanalo Gulch Landfill

Dear Mr. Tanoue:

As the General Manager of Watabe Wedding Corporation, Hawaii Branch, which provides the operation of wedding service to the three chapels located to 3 of the 4 lagoons at the Ko Olina Resort, please allow myself to take this opportunity to express opposition to the Department of Environment Services' application to delete the July 31, 2012 deadline to cease disposal of municipal solid waste at the Waimanalo Gulch Landfill.

We have continued to contribute to enhance the tourism market by serving thousands of Japanese wedding couples, celebrating their once in a life time memories here at the Ko Olina Resort. Ambience is very essential and to see debris, such as disposed medical needles, garbage bags coming in from the landfill and the whiff of the sour smell of the landfill across the street is just not one of the impressions we would like to deliver to our clients. They especially chose this location as their wedding site to experience bright sun reflecting to the blueness of the ocean and smell free environment.

With the removal of the deadline, future wedding couples will continue to suffer from the adverse impacts of landfill operations, including heavy truck traffic, noise, odors, windblown litter and scarred views from the ocean.

We do understand the necessity of Landfill operation. But we have been patient for the past years. Therefore, I think it is a time to seek another location by considering the negative impact that will impose in the future.

**EXHIBIT K45**



Thank you for the opportunity and allowing us to share this very serious situation. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself at [nagamine@watabe.com](mailto:nagamine@watabe.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Masaki Nagamine", with a large, sweeping flourish extending upwards and to the right.

Masaki Nagamine  
Hawaii Branch General Manager  
Watabe Wedding Corporation