MINUTES OF FIELD TRIP 1:15 p.m. - November 2, 1995

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Area 1 (refer to Petitioner's Exhibit No. 26)

Mr. Beall and Mr. Leinecke of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service provided a brief overview of the James Campbell National Wildlife Refuse ("JCNWR") in general, and the types of wildlife that may be found in the two ponds that comprise the two units (Kii and Punamano).

Deputy Attorney General Jon Itomura, Esq., joined the field trip at this time.

AREA 2

Ms. Kobayashi provided an orientation of the petition area. From this area, the petition area consists of lands that are in between the fence line of the JCNWR and an infinite boundary approximately 200 feet towards the coastline. However, Ms. Kobayashi pointed out that the petition area does not include lands

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currently within the Conservation District, which is approximately 150 feet inland from the shoreline.

LOCATION BETWEEN AREA 2 AND AREA 3

This area is the confluence of the three major ditches of the area, Kii, Hospital, and Punamano. Mr. Beall stopped at this site to show the method of flood control to maintain levels in the ditches.

LOCATION: HAWAII MARINE ENTERPRISES (makai of Area 3)

Mr. Haraguchi requested that the participants stop at this area to show types of aquaculture activities that the Hawaii Marine Enterprisestake part in. These lands are currently in the Agricultural District and are not a part of the petition area although it is adjacent to it.

Hawaii Marine Enterprises' operations include tanks for the cultivation of ogo (seaweed), mud flats for the cultivation of clams, and areas for the raising of aquarium fishes.

LOCATION BETWEEN AREA 3 AND 4

The participants stopped at this site to view the abundance of pickleweed (Batis maritima) and the Petitioner's orientation of wetlands in the area.

AREA 4

Mr. Beall provided a short overview of the Punamano Unit (pond) which is a natural wetland that has not been modified. Mr. Beall added that the area is not utilized by stilts but mainly be Koloa, coots, and moorhens.

The field trip ended at 3:00 p.m. and it was announced that the Commission will reconvene at 9:00 a.m., November 3, 1995.