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Mr. Henry Curtis
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Life of the Land
76 North King Street, #203
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Dear Mr. Curtis:

Thank you for your letters of August 10, and 24, 2007, regarding BlueEarth Maui Biodiesel, LLC, and Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO), respectively.

Life of the Land's letters assert that an EIS is required under Chapter 343 HRS as a result of DBEDT's involvement with the Special Purpose Revenue Bonds authorized by Act 261, SLH 2007.

DBEDT acknowledges the issues that you have raised and is seeking the assistance of the State Department of The Attorney General (AG), and through the Department of Health, the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC) for a determination. We will handle this matter appropriately after we receive inputs from those agencies.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Sincerely,

Theodore E. Liu