

TESTIMONY

GM223

March 16, 2010

Guy Moriguchi

Board of Water Certification of Public Water System Operators

Members of the Senate Committee, thank you for this opportunity to present myself for your consideration of my confirmation to the Board of Certification of Public Water System Operators.

I was born and raised in Hawaii and grew up on the Westside of Kauai where my parents were proprietors of a gas/service station for 32 years in Kekaha. I attended and graduated from Waimea High School and Kauai Community College, majoring in Automotive Mechanics Technology.

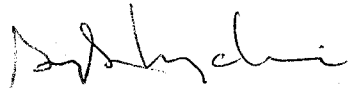
During the course of my 30 years in the work force, I spent 14 years with the County of Kauai as a Grade 2 Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, then moved on to Aqua Engineers Inc. as a Grade 4 Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator. I also hold a Grade 1 Water Distributions Operator certification and Grade 2 Water Treatment certification. I am still employed with Aqua Engineers, Inc. and have been their Operation / Mechanics Team Leader since 1999. As of 2008 I was tasked to manage Aqua's Island Operations that consist of all contracts on Oahu outside of the army contracts, Maui, Lanai and the Big Island.

Previously, I served three (3) years on the Hawaii Water Environment Association (HWEA) as a Professional Wastewater Operations Division (PWOD) Representative, representing all Wastewater Operators in the State of Hawaii.

As a Water System Operator, a position on the Water Certification Board would give me the opportunity to present an operator's point of view of the water certification program.

I welcome the challenges ahead. I ask for you to support my nomination to the Board of Certification of Public Water Systems Operators.

Sincerely,



Guy S. Moriguchi

Operations Team Leader / DRC 1996 – 2002, Operations / Mechanics Team Leader 2002-2007 / Island Operations Manager 2007 - Present. Oversee the operation and maintenance for Aqua Engineers Inc. Oahu, Maui, Lanai and Hawaii.

Currently oversee Oahu's Turtle Bay / Waiawa Wastewater Treatment Plant, North Shore Water Systems, Maui Hale Maholu, Lanai Manele / Koele, Hilo Airport, Hale Nani Prison, Kulani Prison, Punaluu Sea Mountain, Keauhou Wastewater Systems and Punaluu Water Distribution System.

Professional Experience

Operator for small systems water distribution systems at Koloa-Kahili, 1999-2006

Operate Memcore Surface Water Treatment Pilot Plant, 2002-2003

Operate Zenon Surface Water Treatment Pilot Plant, 2003-2005

Direct Responsible Individual in Charge for the South Shore Community Wastewater Treatment Plant Contracted by Aqua Engineers to Operate, 1994-2001

Assistant operator for the Eleele Wastewater Treatment Plant included, Process Control, Laboratory Samples and Testing & Record Keeping 1982 – 1994.

Plant Helper/Temporary Operator for the Waimea Wastewater Treatment Plant including Daily Process Control, Laboratory Analysis, Record Keeping 1980-1982.

Certification

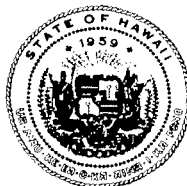
Grade IV Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, State of Hawaii
Grade II Water Treatment Plant Operator, State of Hawaii
Grade I Water Distribution Operator

Education

Kauai Community College
Associate in Science Auto Mechanics Technology

Memberships And Awards

Hawaii Water Environment Association
American Water Work Association
HWEA Service Award PWOD Representative, 1995-1998
HWEA William Hatfield Award



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**GM223, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO
THE BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM
OPERATORS, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, GUY S. MORIGUCHI, FOR A
TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2014**

**Testimony of Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D.
Director of Health**

March 18, 2010, 2:45 P.M.

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health strongly supports the nomination of

2 **Mr. Guy S. Moriguchi** to the Board of Certification of Public Water System Operators.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** Mr. Moriguchi has 30 years of operational experience in both water and
5 wastewater operations. Currently, he works for Aqua Engineers, a prominent Hawaii company in the
6 area of water and wastewater treatment plant operations and oversees the operation of systems on Kauai,
7 Lanai, Maui and Hawaii.

8 Mr. Moriguchi currently holds a Grade 2 Water Treatment Plant Operator certification, a Grade 1
9 Distribution System Operator certification as well as a Grade 4 Wastewater Treatment Operator
10 certification. With these certifications, Mr. Moriguchi will be able to provide valuable insight to the
11 Board from an operator's point of view.

12 In addition to his extensive work experience and training, Mr. Moriguchi has provided four years
13 of valuable service as a member of the Board. His willingness to continue this service demonstrates his
14 commitment to his profession.