June 8, 2015

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 8, 2015, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1296 HD2 SD2 CD1 RELATING TO ENERGY
ACT 098 (15)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENERGY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. Chapter 206M, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§206M- Hydrogen implementation coordinator. (a) The director of the Hawaii center for advanced transportation technologies of the development corporation shall serve as the state hydrogen implementation coordinator.

(b) The state hydrogen implementation coordinator, under the delegated authority of the energy resources coordinator, shall facilitate the establishment of infrastructure and policies across all agencies of the State to promote the expansion of hydrogen-based energy in Hawaii."

SECTION 2. (a) There is established the hydrogen implementation working group, which shall be convened by the state hydrogen implementation coordinator and attached to the high technology development corporation for administrative purposes. The state hydrogen implementation coordinator shall
serve as chairperson of the hydrogen implementation working
group.

(b) The working group shall consist of:

(1) The state hydrogen implementation coordinator;

(2) Representatives of federal, state, and county

agencies, as appropriate;

(3) Industry stakeholders; and

(4) Other persons, as deemed appropriate by the state

hydrogen implementation coordinator.

(c) No member of the working group shall be made subject
to chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, solely because of that
member's participation as a member of the working group.

(d) The working group shall study and examine methods to

promote the expansion of hydrogen-based energy in Hawaii.

(e) The state hydrogen implementation coordinator shall

submit a report of the working group's findings and

recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the

legislature by November 30, 2015.

(f) The members of the working group shall serve without

compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including

travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.
(g) The working group shall cease to exist on July 1, 2030.

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

APPROVED this 8 day of JUN, 2015

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII