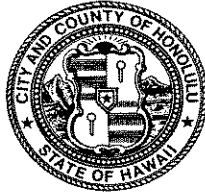


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IN REPLY REFER TO:
WAS 06-077

April 24, 2006

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Kathi Moore, Chief
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Clean Water Act Compliance Office (WTR-7)
Water Division
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, California 94105

Attn: JoAnn Cola

Subject: In the Matter of the City and County of Honolulu;
Sand Island Wastewater Treatment Plant, NPDES Permit HI0020117

Dear Ms. Moore:

This letter is in response to your letter dated March 28, 2006, sent by certified mail and received by the City and County of Honolulu (CCH), Department of Environmental Services on April 3, 2006. As stated in your letter, CCH was instructed to "provide a complete report on the spill and all actions taken to repair the force main within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of this letter." Based on our receipt of the letter on April 3, 2006, our response is due on April 24, 2006.

CCH is currently focused on addressing the emergency situation surrounding the Beachwalk Wastewater Pump Station Force Main. CCH submitted an extension request in a letter dated April 13, 2006. In that letter, CCH requested an extension to May 15, 2006 to gather the extensive information requested and present a comprehensive report. It is our understanding, through a phone conversation on April 19, 2006, that this extension has been denied. Due to the amount of information requested and CCH's current focus, CCH is providing a response based on the information that it has compiled to date. As additional information is received, CCH will provide to EPA in subsequent submittals the comprehensive report requested.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on

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my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, I certify that the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (808) 692-5159.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Takamura". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the "a".

Dr. ERIC TAKAMURA, P.E.
Director

Attachments

cc: Hugh Barroll, EPA ORC (with attachments)
Michael Tsuji, HDOH (with attachments)