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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CITES THERESA MAGDADARO FOR SOLID WASTE VIOLATIONS

HONOLULU -- The Hawai‘i State Department of Health (DOH) has cited Ms. Theresa Magdadaro for solid waste violations at a rental property located at 87-801 Apana Rd. in Waianae on O‘ahu. The violations involve the accumulation of solid waste including scrap tires, lumber, plastic, metal, foam, padding, hose, cloth, furniture, and car parts over an approximately 15-month period from December 2010 to March 2012.

The violations are considered to be a threat to public health because of the large amount of solid waste present at the site and because the solid waste appeared to be encroaching onto neighboring properties. Ms. Magdadaro was warned multiple times to remove the accumulated waste from the property.

The DOH imposed a penalty of $4,000 and ordered Ms. Magdadaro, as the property manager, to remove all solid waste from the facility, conduct exploratory trenching to determine the extent of potentially buried waste on the property, and confirm that all solid waste (including any buried waste) has been removed. Ms. Magdadaro may request a hearing to contest the order.

The department’s Solid Waste Section regulates standards governing the design, construction, installation, operation and maintenance of solid waste disposal, recycling, reclamation and (more)
transfer systems. Such standards are intended to prevent pollution of the drinking water supply or waters of the state; prevent air pollution; prevent the spread of disease and the creation of nuisances; protect the public health and safety; conserve natural resources; and preserve and enhance the beauty and quality of the environment.

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