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July 16, 2019

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Captain Marc Delao Regional Engineer Navy Region Hawaii 850 Ticonderoga St., Ste. 110 JBPHH, Hawaii 96860

Dear Captain Delao:

SUBJECT: Status of Application for an Underground Storage Tank Permit

Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, Red Hill, Aiea

Facility ID No. 9-102271

The Department of Health (DOH), Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program received your application to operate a UST system on March 14, 2019, and your revised application on May 23, 2019. In response to your application, we drafted permit conditions and requested public comment on your application and on the draft permit through publication of a public notice in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser on May 29, 2019.

Before the completion of the 30-day comment period, we received requests for a contested case hearing and a public hearing, together with approximately 156 letters with comments. The DOH is currently reviewing the requests and comments.

The DOH considers Navy Region Hawaii's (Navy's) submission of its application for a permit as timely. Based on this, the DOH intends to allow the Navy to continue to operate the subject UST system until its decision on the permit application is rendered.

The DOH will act deliberately and in the interest of public health and the environment. For this reason, the DOH will not reach a final decision about whether to issue a permit or, in the event a permit is issued, what conditions will be attached, until the DOH's process is completed.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Roxanne Kwan of the Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch at (808) 586-4226.

Sincerely.

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