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Hawai'i Department of Health Cites Companies for HI-5 Violations

HONOLULU -- The Hawai'i State Department of Health (DOH) has issued Notices of Violation and Order against six companies for failure to submit payments and reports required of beverage distributors by the State's Deposit Beverage Container law. The companies were delinquent for the semi-annual reporting period of Jan. 1 to June 30, 2016 and each company was fined an administrative penalty fee of \$400 for failure to comply with deposit container requirements. Each company may request a hearing to contest the alleged facts and penalty.

The companies cited were:

- A. Arakaki Store, Inc.
- Hawaiian Fresh Farm dba Culture Brew
- La Hiki Ola
- Williams-Sonoma
- World of Aahs!
- World Pac, Inc.

Hawai'i Revised Statutes §342G-105 requires beverage distributors to submit semi-annual distributor reports and payments to DOH no later than the 15th calendar day of the month following the end of the payment period. DOH conducts regular inspections of beverage distributors and certified redemption centers to ensure compliance with Hawai'i laws. The companies received multiple written notices informing them of reporting requirements prior to the issuance of a penalty.