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CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Michael McKinney
CEO
Pacific Quest Corp.
169 Pu'ueo Street
Hilo, HI 96720

Dear Mr. McKinney:

The State Health Planning and Development Agency has evaluated Pacific Quest Corp.'s Certificate of Need application #24-12A for the establishment of a 30 bed Special Treatment Facility at 301 Kalaniana'ole Street, Hilo, HI, at a capital cost of \$1,020,000.

Pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 186 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), the Agency finds that:

- (a) The proposal is eligible for administrative review as it meets the criteria in HAR 11-186-99.1(b)(6) i.e.: "Any proposal which is determined by the agency not to have a significant impact on the health care system".
- (b) The applicant, Pacific Quest Corp., has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that its proposal meets the Certificate of Need criteria in HAR 11-186-15(a).
- (c) There is no compelling public interest which will be served by requiring the application to go through the standard review process.

As required under Section 323D-43(b), Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), the Agency concludes and determines that:

1. There is a public need for this proposal.
2. The cost of this proposal will not be unreasonable in light of the benefits it will provide and its impact on health care costs.

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Accordingly, the State Health Planning and Development Agency hereby APPROVES and ISSUES a Certificate of Need to Pacific Quest Corp. for the proposal described in Certificate of Need application #24-12A. The maximum capital expenditure allowed under this approval is \$1,020,000.



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Administrator