

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT
FOR HU HONUA BIOENERGY, LLC
NPDES PERMIT NO. HI S000557**

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September 6, 2018

The State Department of Health (DOH) tentatively proposes to issue a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to discharge storm water associated with industrial activities from the Hu Honua Bioenergy, LLC facility, to receiving State waters, subject to special conditions to:

HU HONUA BIOENERGY, LLC

The proposed permit for the new discharge will expire five (5) years from the date of issuance.

The project is located at 28-283 Sugar Mill Road, Pepeekeo, Island of Hawaii, TMK: (3) 2-8-008:104 and 161. The facility is a biomass electric power generation facility and is classified under Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code 4911, Electric Services (other electric power generation). Activities performed at this facility include receiving and storing logs; chipping logs; storing and transporting wood chips; burning wood chips and biodiesel fuel to produce steam; electricity generation; distributing electricity; and receiving and staging parts. Administrative offices and parking are also located at the site.

The receiving water, the Pacific Ocean at 19.842801°N latitude, 155.084964°W longitude and 19.843665°N latitude, 155.084645°W longitude, is classified by the DOH as Class A, Marine Waters, Open Coastal. It is the objective of class A waters that their use for recreational purposes and aesthetic enjoyment be protected. Any other use shall be permitted as long as it is compatible with the protection and propagation of fish, shellfish, and wildlife, and with recreation in and on these waters. These waters shall not act as receiving waters for any discharge which has not received the best degree of treatment or control compatible with the criteria established for this class.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed NPDES permit or to request a public hearing, should submit their comments or requests in writing no later than 30 calendar days after the date of this notice, either through e-mail at: cleanwaterbranch@doh.hawaii.gov or by mail at P. O. BOX 3378, Honolulu, HI 96801-3378.

Copies of the proposed public notice permit and other information are available for public inspection, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) from 7:45 a.m. until 4:15 p.m., at the DOH Clean Water Branch office located at 2827 Waimano Home Road, #225, Pearl City, HI 96782; the Hawaii District Health Office in Hilo located at 75 Aupuni Street #201, Hilo, HI 96720; and the Hawaii District Health Office in Kona located at 79-1015 Haukapila Street, Kealahou, HI 96750. Copies may be bought. The public notice permit and rationale are also available on the internet at: <http://health.hawaii.gov/cwb/site-map/home/public-notices-and-updates> and on the WPC

Viewer located at: <http://eha-web.doh.hawaii.gov/wpc-viewer>. For more information or if you have special needs due to disability that will aid you in inspecting and/or commenting on the public notice permit and related information, please contact Mr. Darryl Lum, Supervisor of the Engineering Section, Clean Water Branch, at the above address or (808) 586-4309 (Voice) at least seven (7) calendar days before the comment deadline. For those who use a TTY/TDD, please call through Sprint Relay Hawaii, at 1-711 or 1-877-447-5990.

All written comments and requests received on time will be considered. If DOH determines that there is significant public interest, a public hearing may be held after at least 30 calendar days of public notice.

If DOH's position is substantially unchanged after considering all timely written comments and all oral comments at any public hearing that may be held, then the DOH will issue the NPDES permit and this action will be final.

Please notify anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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