



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION IV
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November 30, 2005

Mr. Kunami Nihipali
Hui Malama I Na Kupuna 'O Hawai'i Nei
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**SUBJECT: CONSULTATION UNDER SECTION 106 OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC
PRESERVATION ACT (PA'INA HAWAII, LLC, DOCKET NO. 030-36974)**

Dear Mr. Nihipali:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) received from Pa'ina Hawaii, LLC, a Hawaiian owned company, a license application for the possession and use of byproduct material to be used in a commercial pool type industrial irradiator. This commercial irradiator is planned for construction at Honolulu International Airport property (see the attached map). This irradiator when constructed will be used by Pa'ina Hawaii, LLC, to irradiate mainly fresh fruit and vegetables bound for the mainland from any of the Hawaiian Islands.

The NRC staff has started their technical review of the irradiator application. Review of the commercial irradiator application focuses on the radiation safety, physical security, and emergency preparedness aspects of radioactive material planned for use in the irradiator. The technical review of the application focuses on the safety of employees, the public, and the environment. Before approving the proposed license, the NRC will need to make the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and NRC's regulations.

A review of the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Honolulu International Airport (KFC Airports, Inc., 1989) reveals that the use of the land in the immediate area surrounding the proposed site consists of facilities that provide support to general airline and aviation activities of the airport. According to the EA, the proposed site is located in fill land consisting of material dredged from the ocean bottom or hauled from nearby areas, as well as garbage and material from other sources. Additionally, the EA states that there are no historical, archeological or cultural sites on the airport property. Nonetheless, and as required by 36 CFR 800.4(a)(4), the NRC is requesting assistance from Native Hawaiian Organizations in identifying any potential properties near the proposed site which may be of religious and cultural significance to your organization. Any information you provide will be used by the NRC to document any property with potential religious and cultural significance in accordance with 36 CFR 800.4(d).

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We appreciate your reply within the 30 days of receipt of this letter. If you have any questions, please contact Anthony Gaines of my staff at 817-860-8252.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Jack E. Whitten, Chief
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