Honorable Joseph Souki Chair, Committee on Transportation House of Representatives State of Hawaii

Hearing: February 9, 2009

Re: HB 1389 Relating to Motor Vehicle Registration

Honorable Chair Souki and Committee Members:

My name is Michael Oh and I am the chairman of the legislative committee for Catrala-Hawaii which represents the major u-drive companies in Hawaii and the many business which support the industry.

Catrala supports this bill.

U-drives companies regularly replace their vehicles every 2 years or so by shipping them out of Hawaii. Often times these shipments occur within a few months after the vehicles have been registered for another full year. Thus, the u-drive companies have paid for a full year's registration of a vehicle that no longer is within the State.

The passage of this bill will allow u-drives to get a credit for such portions of registration fees paid but for which the u-drive company gets no benefit due to such shipment of vehicles. In such cases the u-drive vehicles suffers a loss and further must then pay for the registration of the new vehicle which replaces the older vehicle. By allowing u-drive companies to get a credit for such portions of registration fees paid but for which they do not benefit will correct this inequity. This credit would be utilized by the u-drive company when it registers the replacement vehicles.

Thank you for allowing us to testify on this bill.

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Representative Joseph Souki

Chair, House Committee on Transportation

Via e-mail: TRNtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

FROM:

Anne Horiuchi

DATE:

February 8, 2009

RE:

H.B. 1389 relating to Motor Vehicle Registration

Hearing: Monday, February 9, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Room 309

Dear Chair Souki and Members of the House Committee on Transportation:

I am Anne Horiuchi, testifying on behalf of Enterprise Rent-A-Car Company of Hawaii and Vanguard Car Rental USA, Inc., dba National Car Rental and Alamo Rent A Car (collectively referred to as "Enterprise"). Our clients are members of Catrala-Hawaii.

H.B. 1389 allows rental or U-drive companies to register their motor vehicles every two years and receive a credit for the balance of the registration period upon surrender of the vehicle's certificate of registration.

Enterprise supports the passage of H.B. 1389.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to submit testimony on this measure.

Dollar Thrifty Automotive Group, Inc. **The Thrifty of the Company of the Compan

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My name is Garrick Higuchi and I am the Area Director with Dollar Rent A Car and Thrifty Car Rental.

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