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Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the High Technology Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, KELLY KING, for a term to expire 06-30-2018.

Senate Committee on Economic Development, Environment and Technology

The Department of Transportation (DOT) strongly supports Kelly King to the Board of Directors of the High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC).

Kelly King is the Vice President of Pacific Biodiesel, Inc., having co-founded the renewable energy company in 1996. Well known as an industry pioneer, Pacific Biodiesel was created to alleviate the disposal of waste cooking oil at Maui's landfill and became the first commercial biodiesel company in the U.S. As director of Marketing, Kelly has helped sell and develop 12 biodiesel plants built by Pacific Biodiesel in the U.S. and Japan, and the company's community-based biodiesel model has become a standard for the sustainable renewable fuel industry. She successfully represented her company in the United Nations Industrial Development Organization's 2005 BlueSky Awards which named Pacific Biodiesel one of the Top Ten Global Renewable Energy Investment Scenarios. In 2006, together with Daryl Hannah and Willie and Annie Nelson, Kelly co-founded the Sustainable Biodiesel Alliance, a national non-profit organization that is developing a certification process for sustainable biodiesel practices.

The DOT greatly appreciates working with Mrs. King towards a sustainable transportation future in meeting Hawaii's energy goals. Her global wisdom and international experience in renewable energy is a strong asset to the HTDC in facilitating the development and growth of Hawaii's commercial high technology industry.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.