



The Senate
Ways and Means Committee

Monday, April 4, 2016
2:00 p.m., Conference Room #211

RE: HB 1853, HD2; Relating to Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to Assist BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC.

Chair Senator Jill N. Tokuda; Vice Chair Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz; and Members:

My name is Guy Kaniho, General Manager of BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC (BEH). A Hawaii limited liability company, which is owned and managed by Pacific Waste, Inc. a Hawaii Corporation with its principle offices in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii.

Pacific Waste is the largest waste hauling company on the Big Island and collects and disposes of nearly 75% of the commercial municipal solid waste ("MSW") in Hawaii County. As you know, there are many concerns relating to landfill disposal including the limited space available and the environmental impacts associated with landfill operations. It is evident that the current practice of landfill disposal is an unsustainable long term solution for managing the island's solid waste stream and must be addressed immediately.

BioEnergy Hawaii's primary business is the design, construction and operations of one or more bioconversion facilities in the State of Hawaii. Our proposed facility will sort, separate and process the MSW into a usable materials and feedstock. The separated feedstocks will be converted through our integrated technology designed to produce renewable energy. The project will produce baseload renewable electricity and/or biofuel in the form of renewable natural gas ("RNG") which can be utilized in distributed power generation or in the transportation industry. In addition to providing a local alternative energy source, the facility will significantly reduce the amount of MSW being deposited into the landfills, thereby reducing the associated environmental impacts.

HB 1853 will extend the issuance date to allow adequate time to fulfill all the requirements necessary prior to issuance of bonds. The approval of the legislation now pending before you will enable BEH to secure funds and make the facility a reality. I sincerely believe, as a lifelong resident, that this project will enhance both our economy and our environment. I urge you to support this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my testimony.

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REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST BIOENERGY HAWAII, LLC.

Chair Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Vice-Chair Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz and
Members:

Good Afternoon. My name is Dante Carpenter and I speak in favor HB 1853
Relating to the Issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds for BioEnergy
Hawaii, LLC. (BEH). For the past 19 years, I have been a member of the Board
of Directors of Pacific Waste Inc., the managing member of BEH in a project
proposed in West Hawaii, whose offices are in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. HB 1853
seeks to extend the authorization of special purpose revenue bonds to
BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC, for the purpose of establishing a cogeneration facility
and related energy production facilities, for an additional five (5) years.

The total scope of this project which will combine state-of-the-art technologies
is proposed to be located in the Northwestern area of the Kona-Kohala Coast
and will help West Hawaii in particular towards meeting its needs in the area of
energy self-sufficiency. The technical processes utilizes various waste streams,
and ultimately produce Bio-gasses for fuel conversion and distribution to the
West Hawaii Community.

General Manager of BEH, Guy Kaniho, formerly managed the operations of
Pacific Waste, Inc., the largest Refuse Hauler on the Big Island. We look forward
to continue working with all other cognizant private, community or government
agencies to implement this project soon.

We strongly recommend passage of HB 1853. Thank you very much for your
consideration.