SB 2368

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PELATRON POWER EVOLUTION LLC

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> TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2368

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RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PELATRON POWER EVOLUTION LLC.

Senate Bill No. 2368 authorizes the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds

(SPRB) up to \$63,000,000 to provide financing to assist Pelatron Power Evolution LLC

with the development of renewable energy power plants within the State pursuant to

Part V, Chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The Department is providing comments only to advise the Legislature and

prospective SPRB parties that should the legislation be approved, approval of SPRB

issuance will require further discussion and satisfactory credit underwriting review of the

financing components with respect to any proposed financing.

The Department also recommends an amendment to Section 4 of the bill, as follows (new language underlined):

"SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to June 30, 2021, to issue special purpose revenue bonds..."



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The amendment to Section 4 will allow the special purpose revenue bonds to be refunded after the sunset date of the authorization.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.



Testimony to the Senate Committee on Transportation & Energy Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 2:45 P.M. Conference Room 225, State Capitol

RE: SENATE BILL 2368 RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PELATRON POWER EVOLUTION LLC.

Chair Kawakami, Vice Chair Kong, and Members of the Committee:

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii ("The Chamber") **supports** SB 2368, which authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Pelatron Power Evolution LLC with the development of renewable energy power plants within the State.

The Chamber is Hawaii's leading statewide business advocacy organization, representing about 1,000 businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of members and the entire business community to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

Pelatron Power Evolution LLC's gasification and renewable energy applications converting waste and bio matter into clean energy aide Hawaii in achieving our one hundred percent renewable energy standard and providing cheap energy and an alternative to landfills. These waste-to-energy power plants create renewable energy and jobs, while also reducing greenhouse gas emissions and landfill waste. The Chamber supports the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for the purpose of assisting Pelatron Power Evolution LLC, a Hawaii corporation, to finance or refinance the planning, construction, improvement, and equipping of its manufacturing facilities in the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Testimony of Gary M. Slovin / Mihoko E. Ito on behalf of PVT Land Company

DATE: February 16, 2016

Senator Lorraine Inouye
Chair, Committee on Transportation and Energy
Submitted Via <u>TRETestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov</u>

RE: S.B. 2368 – Relating to the Issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to Assist Pelatron Power Evolution LLC. Hearing Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 2:45 p.m. Conference Room: 225

Dear Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee:

PVT Land Company submits this testimony in **support** of S.B. 2368, which authorizes the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to assist Pelatron Power Evolution LLC.

PVT supports the production of clean renewable energy from locally produced solid waste. The development of waste-to-energy power plants will not only contribute to the State's energy security, but will also reduce the State's carbon footprint and the environmental impact of landfilling waste while adding living-wage jobs to the State's economy.

For these reasons, PVT Land Company supports S.B. 2368 and respectfully requests this committee to pass the measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

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Kekoa McClellan	PQ Energy LLC	Comments Only	Yes

Comments: This bill is substantially similar to SB 3121 - The intent of this bill is achieved by the passage of SB 3121 where the correct language related to this activity exists. I will be available in person to testify and respond to any questions the committee may have.

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