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79 South Nimitz Highway  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Subject: Project Status of the Site Characterization of Kaka'ako Unit 8, Honolulu, Hawaii**

Dear Mr. Fujikawa:

The purpose of this letter is to provide a brief update of the status of the site characterization of the Kaka'ako Unit 8 site. Sampling activities were tentatively planned to begin on January 8, 2001, as outlined in the letter from the Department of Health (DOH) dated December 1, 2000; however, one issue outlined in the December 1 letter is still outstanding. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) contracted laboratory was anticipated to be on line by the end of December 2000; however, the quality assurance approval of the laboratory by EPA has not been completed and thus the laboratory is not ready to accept task orders from EPA. Therefore, the sampling activities have been delayed until the EPA contracted laboratory is on line.

The DOH and its contractor, AMEC Earth & Environmental, Inc. (formerly Ogden Environmental & Energy Services Co.) are working with EPA to determine the anticipated availability of the laboratory. A revised project schedule will be generated when lab availability and the subsequent field schedule are determined.

If you have any questions, please call me at (808) 586-4249. I will be going on maternity leave during January; therefore, if I am unavailable, please contact Laura Young at the same telephone number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dawn Cosgrove", is written over a horizontal line.

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