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Mr. James S. Simpson
Administrator
U.S. Federal Transit Administration
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Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Simpson:

RE: Honolulu High Capacity Transit Project

I would like to take this opportunity to submit a follow up letter to my original letter dated March 17, 2008, relating to my inquiry on mass transit technology. I am seeking clarification from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on the following:

- Is there a prescribed mass transit technology that FTA is recommending or excluding?
- Is there a FTA deadline to select a mass transit technology?
- What are the criteria used by FTA when evaluating the technology selected by the municipal government for their high capacity transit project?
- Based on the City's Department of Transportation Services' presentation in April 2007 on the Honolulu High Capacity Transit Project, when did FTA expect the receipt of the Preliminary Engineering application from the City & County of Honolulu?

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to meet on April 10, 2008 with representatives from the FTA's San Francisco office to discuss this matter. The meeting was very informative and helpful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donovan M. Dela Cruz", written over a large, stylized bracket.

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