
From: Day, Elizabeth <FTA>
To: Carranza, Edward <FTA>
Sent: 7/18/2008 9:22:28 AM
Subject: RE: Phone Call Briefing with Honolulu on 7/16/08

OK – thanks Ed. I know Ron feels confident about moving forward with the project and that the mayor has final say on the technology. If you all feel confident, I don't mean to raise red flags needlessly. It's just that the wording of the mayor's letter specifically says the council has authority.

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Beth: We'll address with you next week when Leslie and my Regional Counsel are back. They have more history to the situation than me, but I can say that the City Council can change their minds anytime they wish, but the Mayor, being the champion of the project, and with his authority the way I understand it, is the decider and he isn't changing his mind. We'll talk next week. Maybe you, Joe and/or Ron ought to make it out here for the 8/12 DEIS/project status meeting with the Honolulu folks. I believe Kim is with the Risk Assessment PMOC. Have a nice weekend.

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Ed –

The letter dated July 16th provided in your email is from the director of Honolulu DOT, not the mayor. The letter from the Mayor is dated April 17th and mentions the 90 day period. The Mayor's letter specifically references an Ordinance which appears to give the City Council the right to select the technology. Can you explain why we are being told the Mayor has ultimate authority with this decision? Does TRO9 have a copy of the Ordinance referenced in the Mayor's letter? I understand the 90 day period is up, but confirmation from the Mayor about proceeding forward would be beneficial since it is a political issue causing uncertainty about the technology. Is TRO9 completely confident that the final decision on technology has been made?

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With thanks to my fellow Region IX colleagues, please see a few notes from our phone call with Toru on 7/16. Essentially, he committed to forwarding the letter to us as we internally discussed at the NS session yesterday, and the scanned letters received today from our grantee are attached. I believe they were ready for this request. We should huddle to plan our next steps, particularly with the initiation of our new PMOC risk assessment effort.