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To: Zelasko, Elizabeth (FTA); Marler, Renee (FTA); Bausch, Carl (FTA); Matley, Ted (FTA); Ossi, Joseph (FTA)
CC: VanWyk, Christopher (FTA); Zusman, Nancy-Ellen (FTA)
Sent: 5/21/2010 5:44:51 AM
Subject: RE: Attachments for Honolulu meeting - 2 points

The City has been talking about interim operations for a long time in a misleading manner. It is undefined in the FEIS and will be difficult to implement since the train control system will not be in place and the rolling stock is not designed for convenient manual operation. This has come up in meetings with the Administrator and when we had the PMOC look into it, the best they probably could do would be an excursion service that would probably shuttle the public back and forth on a Sunday. It would not be regular transit service. I think the FEIS gives a wrong impression. I think there are 3 places where this is mentioned.

With regard to the substations, it is buried in an Appendix B. I believe I have commented on this during the DEIS stage and I usually include Emergency Power Back-up Units which are usually diesel powered and require periodic testing sometimes monthly. These things are loud and it can be costly to muffle the sound. I am not sure if they have any of these but we might want to address this with the substations. No back-up units are identified in Appendix B. I will check with the PMOC.

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Please see the revised document that reflects Renee's comments and the discussion at our meeting this morning. The first two pages has a summary of our key concerns. Please revise if there are some concerns that should be removed.

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Liz, I have added comments in track in the areas of:

- Compliance with Hawaii law re Governor approval for circulation of FEIS
- Deletion of references to locally funded construction of the Project
- Traction power substations locations and impacts
- Mitigation chart referencing comment letters

Also, it's a minor point, but the document in the Listing of Contacts calls us the Federal Transit Division.

Renee

From: Zelasko, Elizabeth (FTA)
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All –

I am not sure if these went through earlier. These are the attachments I intended to send. I am revising the document “comments on the admin FEIS.doc” to reflect our conversation. The other attachments are comments made by cooperating agencies and the City’s responses addressing those comments. I received them last night from Faith, but have not reviewed them yet.

Ted, could you let us know if there are any red flags?

Thanks,

Liz

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