From: Matley, Ted <FTA>
To: Ossi, Joseph <FTA>; Sukys, Raymond <FTA>
CC: Carranza, Edward <FTA>; Barr, James <FTA>
Sent: 12/12/2008 6:28:06 AM
Subject: RE: Honolulu comment period

Jim and I discussed and he felt it just had to be noticed locally. Do you agree Joe?

I have not had any official confirmation that they have agreed, but I left it as a closed issue from our standpoint and that we expected them to do it.

I've only spoken to Faith and she isn't the final decision maker - I wouldn't necessarily assume that silence indicates consent with these guys. I've asked them to confirm when they have made public the extension and I haven't heard that yet.

Ted

From: Ossi, Joseph <FTA>
Sent: Fri 12/12/2008 8:17 AM
To: Matley, Ted <FTA>; Sukys, Raymond <FTA>
Cc: Carranza, Edward <FTA>
Subject: RE: Honolulu comment period

I can get a letter over to EPA today, so that the extension will appear in next Friday's Federal Register. Should I? or are you still arguing with those short-sighted Honolulu people who seem never to learn from all of our past attempts to move a project?

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From: Matley, Ted <FTA>
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 10:30 AM
To: Sukys, Raymond <FTA>; Ossi, Joseph <FTA>
Cc: Carranza, Edward <FTA>
Subject: RE: Honolulu comment period

That's Ed's opinion as well, that they can't afford it as proposed - "right size it" is a good term

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From: Sukys, Raymond <FTA>
Sent: Fri 12/12/2008 7:22 AM
To: Ossi, Joseph <FTA>
Cc: Matley, Ted <FTA>
Subject: RE: Honolulu comment period

This may get to Susan.

Also, the credit blowout further exacerbates their tenuous financial situation and it seem like they will need to do a supplemental since they will need to drop scope to save some money. They need to find the right size project.

From: Matley, Ted <FTA>
Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2008 2:04 PM
To: Barr, James <FTA>; Fisher, Ronald <FTA>
Cc: Rogers, Leslie <FTA>; Sukys, Raymond <FTA>; Marler, Renee <FTA>; Carranza, Edward <FTA>
Subject:

Jim, I've cleared everything with Renee and have "officially" informed Honolulu DTS staff that we are requiring a 30 day extension in the comment period for good cause and that we expect them to notice this locally as soon as possible, preferably by the end of the this week.

I urged them to take this opportunity to get some positive press and announce the extension as if it was their own idea since there is no explicit reason for them to publicize that we are making them do it. Then they could appear responsive and perhaps cut off the school district from it's efforts to build support among other groups for a 75 day extension, as DTS staff said is happening

However, the feedback from DTS staff is that management doesn't really want to do any extension so I wouldn't be surprised if this is elevated in FTA before there is compliance.

I'll keep on them to confirm the time of announcement of the extension.

Ted