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TO: All Executive Departments
(Except DOE, OHA, and UH)

FROM: Aaron S. Fujioka, Administrator

SUBJECT: Hawaii Products

The Governor's publication A New Beginning for Hawaii included a statement that all state agencies, including schools, prisons and hospitals should be encouraged to buy Hawaiian products. As a follow up to the Governor's publication, this circular is issued to remind agencies, when applicable, to include Hawaii products in their solicitations.

In conjunction with the above, §103D-1002, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), provides a preference to promote the use of Hawaii products by purchasing agencies. Subchapter 1, Chapter 3-124, Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), provides the procedures for application of the Hawaii Products Preference. This preference shall apply to all solicitations issued pursuant to §103D-302 (IFB) and §103D-303 (RFP), HRS, when there is a registered Hawaii product.

Hawaii products are defined as products mined, excavated, produced, manufactured, raised, or grown in Hawaii and where the Hawaii input constitutes no less than twenty-five per cent of the manufactured cost. Depending on the amount of Hawaii input, the product shall be classified as Class I, Class II, or Class III. For evaluation purposes, the price of the Hawaii product shall be decreased by its applicable 3% (Class I), 5% (Class II), or 10% (Class III) percentage of preference.

A listing of the various types of Hawaii products available, their source, island of availability, and percentage of preference can be found at the State Procurement Office website at www.spo.hawaii.gov or by going directly to <http://www2.hawaii.gov/spo/hi-products.pdf>.

Please contact me at 587-4700 should you have any questions or your staff may contact Justin Fo at 586-0577.

c: Chief Procurement Officers