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November 14, 2017

Lori M. K. Kahikina  
Director  
City and County of Honolulu  
Department of Environmental Services  
650 South King Street, 14<sup>th</sup> floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Kahikina:

Enclosed is the VARIANCE (Docket No. 17-NR-VN-32) for Community Noise Control which was granted on November 13, 2017. The Decision and Order specifies the conditions and restrictions that are applicable to your project.

Non-compliance with the conditions and restrictions of the Decision and Order may bring about additional restrictions or possible suspension of the variance. Should you have any questions relative to the variance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (808) 586-4700 or at [james.toma@doh.hawaii.gov](mailto:james.toma@doh.hawaii.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James E. Toma".

James E. Toma  
Noise Section Supervisor  
Indoor and Radiological Health Branch

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

In the Matter of the Application	)	
For Variance for:	)	
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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU,	)	Docket No. 17-NR-VN-32
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL	)	V-983
SERVICES	)	
Noise – Dowsett Highlands Relief Sewer	)	
Project along Pali Highway from Wyllie	)	
Street to Dowsett Avenue and along	)	
Nuuanu Avenue from School Street to	)	
Wyllie Street, Honolulu, Oahu.	)	
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**DECISION AND ORDER**

Pursuant to Chapter 342F, Hawaii Revised Statutes (H.R.S.), and Chapter 11-46, Hawaii Administrative Rules (H.A.R.), Community Noise Control; and based upon the application and review by the Indoor and Radiological Health Branch, the variance request from the provisions of Section 11-46-6(a), H.A.R., is hereby GRANTED with the following restrictions and conditions:

1. The variance shall be granted to install new sewer lines using open trench excavation or Guided Boring Method (GBM) along the Pali Highway (from Wyllie Street to Dowsett Avenue) and along Nuuanu Avenue (from School Street to Wyllie Street), Honolulu.
2. The variance shall be granted from June 1, 2018 until January 31, 2020.
3. The variance shall be granted for the following days/times:

Monday through Friday	midnight to 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to midnight.
Saturday	midnight to 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to midnight.
Sundays and Holidays	All day (midnight to midnight).
4. The applicant shall notify the Indoor and Radiological Health Branch as to the date and time of any variance hour activity as soon as the dates are confirmed and when the project is completed.
5. Businesses and residents that may be impacted by the activity shall be given sufficient notice regarding the project. The notification for the planned nighttime activity will also contain the name and telephone number of the job-site inspector. In addition, a copy of any notifications, as well as progress reports, will also be sent to the Indoor and Radiological Health Branch.

6. The applicant shall make every effort to minimize noise emanating from the project.
7. The use of reverse signal alarms shall be prohibited from 8:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Alternative methods such as utilizing a ground guide for signaling will be employed. The operation of the white noise back-up alarms shall be granted during the days & times allowed by the variance.
8. Traffic noise from heavy vehicles travelling to and from the project site shall be minimized near residences.
9. The applicant shall have a job-site inspector to whom immediate complaints can be forwarded for prompt response, and who will have the general responsibility of monitoring quiet work procedures.
10. If the noise level is such that numerous complaints are received by the Department, the applicant shall cease operations upon receipt of an order and complete the project during hours on weekdays as directed.
11. Pursuant to Section 342F-5(d)(3), H.R.S., the applicant shall be required to perform noise sampling during the variance hours and report the results of such sampling to the Indoor and Radiological Health Branch.
12. Should the duration of the project continue beyond the expiration date, the applicant shall submit a request for extension along with an updated work schedule prior to January 31, 2020.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, NOV 13 2017.



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Environmental Health Program Administrator  
Environmental Health Services Division