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Subject: NHOA Letter of Support for NHOs on PMRF Recompete

Dear Ms. Moore:

The purpose of this letter is for the Native Hawaiian Organizations Association (NHOA) to support the Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHOs) planning to submit bid proposals on the recompete of the contract to provide services for Range Operations Support (ROS) and Base Operations Support (BOS) for the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) on Kaua'i, Hawai'i in 2018 pursuant to Navy Solicitation N0060417R3005.

NHOA is a trade association established to provide a unified voice for NHOs. NHOs are nonprofit organizations authorized by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) to participate in the 8(a) Business Development program.

NHOs and their for-profit 8(a) subsidiaries provide invaluable economic benefits to the State of Hawai'i and Native Hawaiian communities by developing job opportunities, building the capacity of innovative industries, and supporting important social economic programs to principally benefit Native Hawaiians and their communities. Each NHO is a significant force in helping Native Hawaiians improve their well-being through the creation of jobs and powerful economic engines; and the funding of established nonprofit services and programs in areas, including without limitation, education, health care, Hawaiian language, as well as arts and culture. The economic and social impact of contracts procured by NHOs in Hawaii is significant.

NHOA applauds the award of the ROS/BOS contract in October 2008 to an NHO and urges you to award the recompete

contract to an NHO. There are several NHOs, with demonstrated capabilities to successfully compete and complete Government contracts of any size, that are planning to submit bid proposals. In addition to providing excellent quality work, they have the added capability of Native Hawaiian cultural knowledge and therefore can interact well with the local community and provide expertise with regard to culturally sensitive sites on PRMF. Furthermore these NHOs are committed to supporting the long-term success of the Native Hawaiian communities that they serve.

NHOA appreciates your consideration of our request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Best Regards and Aloha,



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