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DOT Land Matters State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii

ISSUANCE OF A REVOCABLE PERMIT FOR COMMERCIAL USE OF A T-HANGAR FOR STORAGE OF AIRCRAFT AND A MAINTENANCE HANGAR TO SUPPORT ITS COMMERCIAL HELICOPTER TOUR OPERATION HONOLULU HELICOPTER TOURS INC.

DANIEL K. INOUYE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

TAX MAP KEY: (1) 1-1-076: PORTION OF 21

### **APPLICANT:**

Honolulu Helicopter Tours Inc., whose mailing address is P.O. Box 29207, Honolulu, Hawaii 96820.

# **LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Section 26-19 and 171-2, as amended.

### **LOCATION AND TAX MAP KEY:**

A portion of Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (Airport), identified as South Ramp, Island of Oahu, State of Hawaii, identified by Tax Map Key: 1<sup>st</sup> Division, 1-1-076: Portion of 21.

#### $\Lambda$ RE $\Lambda$ :

Building/Room No. 421-137, containing an area of approximately 1,247 square feet, as shown and delineated on the attached map labeled Exhibit A.

#### **ZONING:**

State Land Use District:

Urban

City and County of Honolulu LUO:

Industrial (I-2)

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### LAND TITLE STATUS:

Non-ceded - Section 5(a) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act
DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to Hawaii Admission Act YES NO X

#### **CURRENT USE STATUS:**

Land presently encumbered by Governor's Executive Order No. 3201, dated June 8, 1983, setting aside 3,152.177 acres designated as the Airport under the control and management of the State of Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT), for Airport purposes.

#### CHARACTER OF USE:

Honolulu Helicopter Tours Inc., will use the T-Hangar for storage of aircraft and a maintenance hangar to support its commercial helicopter tour operation at the Airport.

#### **COMMENCEMENT DATE:**

To be determined by the Director of Transportation at a later date.

#### MONTHLY RENTAL:

\$1,576.34 (\$1,521.34, as determined from the HDOT Schedule of Rates and Charges established by appraisal of Airports properties statewide plus \$55.00 for electricity).

# **SECURITY DEPOSIT:**

\$4,729.02, or three times the monthly rental in effect.

#### CHAPTER 343, HRS - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The environmental impacts of the proposed action to the subject land area are covered by the Honolulu International Airport Master Plan Update and Noise Compatibility Program Environmental Assessment (EA), State Project No. AO1011-03. The EA is a joint State and Federal document, dated September 1989 and published in the October 23, 1989 issue of the OEQC Bulletin. Accordingly, relevant mitigation from the EA and HDOT environmental best management practice will address minimal impacts from this action.

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### **REMARKS:**

HDOT proposes to issue a month-to-month revocable permit to Honolulu Helicopter Tours Inc. for use of a T-Hangar for storage of aircraft and a maintenance hangar to support its commercial helicopter tour operation at the Airport.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on this submittal, and testimony and facts presented, the HDOT recommends the Director of Transportation finds that approving the issuance of a month-to-month revocable permit to Honolulu Helicopter Tours Inc., including its conditions and rent, will serve the best interests of the State.

Respectfully submitted,

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Deputy Director of Transportation for Airports

Attachment

