June 20, 2016

Dear Harbor Agents Representing Cruise Ship Passenger Vessels:

Subject: Implementation of New Tariff Rates That Take Effect July 1, 2016 Affecting Passenger Fees As Provided by Chapter 19-44, Amended Hawaii Administrative Rules

The purpose of this letter is to provide information and clarification concerning the implementation of the new tariff rates affecting passenger fees that take effect July 1, 2016 as reflected in §19-44-70 and §19-44-73 of the Amended Hawaii Administrative Rules.

A cruise ship vessel for which its passengers embark or disembark from any of our commercial harbors at or after 12:00 a.m. July 1, 2016 will be charged the passenger fees applicable to the voyage at the July 1, 2016 rates; that rate is $7.50 per passenger.

A cruise ship vessel for which its passengers embark or disembark from any of our commercial harbors no later than 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2016, will be charged the passenger fees applicable to the voyage at the rates in effect as of June 30, 2016, i.e., the rates in effect prior to July 1, 2016.


The self-report form that reflects the new rates that take effect July 1, 2016 must be completed and submitted to report passenger fees for passengers embarking or disembarking cruise ship vessels at any of our commercial harbors at or after 12:00 a.m. July 1, 2016. The self-reports submitted must be accompanied by the full itinerary of the voyage being reported. This revised self-report form will be available on the DOT Harbors website, http://hawaii.gov/dot/harbors/doing-business no later than June 30, 2016.

Please remember to use the proper self-report form to report passenger fees for passengers embarking or disembarking cruise ship vessels that occur on or after July 1, 2016 by completing and submitting the form that specifies in the report title, “Rates Effective 07/01/2016 to 06/30/2017.”

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Kendrick Au, Harbors Administrative Services Officer, at (808) 587-1893.
Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to proceed with the implementation of the approved amendments to Chapter 19-44, of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) that took effect February 1, 2010.

Very truly yours,

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