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July 28, 2016

State of Hawaii
Department of Budget and Finance
250 South Hotel Street, Room 302
Honolulu, HI 96813
Attention: Mr. Wesley K. Machida, Director of Finance

Re: *US\$97,480,000 State of Hawaii, Highway Revenue Bonds, Series 2016A, dated: Date of delivery, due: January 1, 2036*

US\$100,940,000 State of Hawaii, Highway Revenue Bonds, Series 2016B, dated: Date of delivery, due: January 1, 2030

Dear Mr. Machida:

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cc: Mr. Randall L. Finken
Mr. Scott Kami
Ms. Yoon-Sook Moon

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August 3, 2016

Mr. Scott Kami, Administrator
Financial Administration Division
State of Hawaii Department of Budget and Finance
250 South Hotel St, Rm 302
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Kami:

We wish to inform you that on August 2, 2016, Moody's Investors Service reviewed and assigned a rating of **Aa2** to Hawaii Department of Transportation, Highway Revenue Bonds, Series 2016A and Highway Revenue Bonds, Series 2016B.

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Should you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me or the analyst assigned to this transaction, Kenneth Kurtz at 415-274-1737.

Sincerely,



Kenneth Kurtz
Senior Vice President

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August 3, 2016

Mr. Scott Kami
Administrator
State of Hawaii
Department of Budget and Finance
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Jeff Schaub
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Notice of Rating Action

Bond Description	Rating Type	Action	Rating	Outlook/ Watch	Eff Date	Notes
Hawaii, State of (HI) hwy rev bonds ser 2016A	Long Term	New Rating	AA	RO:Sta	02-Aug-2016	
Hawaii, State of (HI) hwy rev bonds ser 2016B	Long Term	New Rating	AA	RO:Sta	02-Aug-2016	

Key: RO: Rating Outlook, RW: Rating Watch; Pos: Positive, Neg: Negative, Sta: Stable, Evo: Evolving
