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DOH CITES COMPANIES FOR AIR POLLUTION VIOLATIONS

HONOLULU -- The Hawai'i State Department of Health (DOH) Clean Air Branch has issued Notices of Violations and Orders against Pineridge Farms, Inc., Maui Paving, LLC, and P.B. Sullivan Construction, Inc., for air pollution violations.

1. Pineridge Farms, Inc., failed in 2007 to test its diesel engine generators for visible emissions and its 295 and 400 tons per hour (TPH) portable crushing plants for emissions performance, in violation of its permits. The violations were discovered on March 6, 2008 during an annual inspection of the crushing plants located on O'ahu. Air emission tests are important because they confirm that the equipment is operating within allowed limits. Two penalties of \$4,600 have been paid for the violations.
2. Maui Paving, LLC, exceeded its particulate matter emissions limit at its 60 TPH asphalt plant. The February 29, 2008 test showed particulate matter emission level of 0.1266 gr/DSCF and its permit limit is 0.04 gr/DSCF. The violation was self-reported to the DOH. The plant is located in Kaunakakai, Moloka'i and the company has paid a penalty of \$4,300 for the violation.
3. P.B. Sullivan, Inc., failed in 2007 to test its diesel engine generator for visible emissions and its 507 TPH mobile crushing plant for emissions performance, in violation of its permit. The violations were discovered on April 21, 2008 during an annual inspection of the plant located in Kihei, Maui. A penalty of \$3,000 has been paid for the violation.

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The DOH Clean Air Branch issues air permits and conducts complaint investigations to minimize air pollution impacts on the public. Through the permit and complaint investigation process, the DOH ensures continuing compliance with applicable state and federal emission standards. In general, fines are assessed as a deterrent and to diminish any economic gains obtained by the violator.

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