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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 Castle & Cooke Resorts, LLC., Chevron Products Company, and Tesoro Hawai'i Corporation for air pollution violations.

The DOH Clean Air Branch issues air permits to minimize air pollution impacts on the public. Through the permit process, the DOH ensures continuing compliance with applicable state and federal emission standards. In general, penalties are assessed on violators to remove any economic benefit they may have gained from their noncompliance, and put them in a worse situation than those who comply with the law. Parties have the right to request a hearing to contest DOH orders.

The following companies were cited:

1. Castle & Cooke Resorts, LLC., for late submittal of its semi-annual monitoring reports for the January to June 2008 reporting period for their stone processing plant, asphalt plant and concrete batching plant located on Lana'i. The violation was discovered on October 8, 2008 during a review of records; a penalty of \$2,000 has been imposed for the violation.
2. Chevron Products Company for exceeding its rolling 12-month total annual benzene limit of one megagram per year from September until December 2008. Chevron also failed to notify the DOH within five working days of the permit deviation. Chevron Products Company is an oil refinery located at 91-480 Malakole Street, Kapolei, Oahu. The violation was discovered on

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March 12, 2009 during a review of records; a penalty of \$8,000 has been imposed for the violation.

3. Tesoro Hawai'i Corporation for having excessive downtime on their hydrogen sulfide continuous emission monitoring system during the July to December 2008 semi-annual period. Tesoro Hawai'i Corporation is an oil refinery located at 91-325 Komohana Street, Kapolei, Oahu. The violation was discovered on February 2, 2009 during a review of records; a penalty of \$3,000 has been imposed for the violation.

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