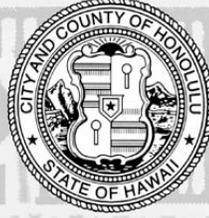


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MBR PROJECT AWARDED AT WAHIAWA WWTP

(Thursday, July 22, 2010) – Acting Mayor Kirk Caldwell announced today that the City has awarded a contract for a Membrane Bioreactor (MBR) facility at Wahiawa Wastewater Treatment Plant, the first of its kind at a City facility.

Acting Mayor Caldwell said, “The City and County of Honolulu has continued to invest heavily in our sewage collection and wastewater treatment system. This is a very high priority that will preserve our quality of life and ensure we have infrastructure that will serve us for generations to come. This project in particular introduces a technology that is new to the City and which will further treat our wastewater for use as recycled water.”

The project was awarded to Oceanic Companies, Inc., the low bidder at \$26.7 million. The scope provides improvements and upgrades to Wahiawa WWTP, including new MBR filter treatment, new ultraviolet (UV) disinfection and new gravity belt thickeners. The improvements will provide enhanced effluent water and reliability, including meeting the state of Hawaii’s current R-1 recycled water requirements. Completion of the work should take 15 months from the start of construction.

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