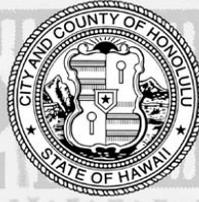


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MAYOR DEDICATES THIRD BOILER AT H-POWER

(Tues., Oct. 9 2012)—Mayor Peter Carlisle today welcomed dignitaries, Covanta executives and City officials to the “Ho‘ola‘a‘ana o ka Mikini Ahi – Dedication of the Machine of Fire” – H-POWER’S third boiler.

“By reducing our dependence on fossil fuels and creating energy from trash, H-POWER benefits the City environmentally and financially,” said Carlisle. “With the third boiler, we can now divert even more opala from the landfill and continue to emphasize more recycling.”

The expansion at the Honolulu Program of Waste to Energy Recovery or H-POWER, which broke ground on Dec. 21, 2009, added another boiler capable of burning 300,000 tons of mass per year. The project included a state-of-the-art pollution control that consists of a scrubber, baghouse and Covanta’s patented low NOx (nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide) emission system.

The expansion project cost approximately \$302 million and will create 25 new full-time employee positions. H-POWER will now be able to combust 900,000 tons of Honolulu’s non-recyclable household trash annually, contribute eight percent of Oahu’s power using a renewable source, and power 65,000 Oahu homes.

H-POWER also recovers approximately 20,000 tons of ferrous (steel) and non-ferrous (aluminum alloy) metal for recycling each year.

The City recently completed a new Power Purchase Agreement with Hawaiian Electric Company, which is estimated to bring in \$85 million in electrical sales to HECO per year.

Since H-POWER went into service in May 1990, the facility has been operated by Covanta Honolulu and processed more than 13 million tons of waste and offset 15 million barrels of imported oil, while recovering more than 450,000 tons of metals.

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