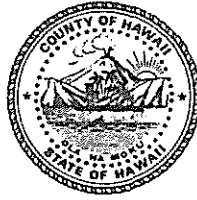


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December 16, 1997

Mr. Taeyong M. Kim
AM Partners, Inc.
1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1000
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Kim:

Special Management Area (SMA) Use Permit Assessment Application No. 96-69
Special Management Area Minor Use Permit No. 65
Applicant: BHP Petroleum Americas (Hawaii), Inc.
Approved Development: Install an Above-ground 6,000 gallon Fuel Storage Tank,
Dispensers and Related Improvements
Tax Map Key: 2-2-32: 62; Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii

This is to inform you of our receipt of a memorandum from the Department of Land and Natural Resources (copy enclosed) informing our office that the proposed installation of an above-ground fuel storage tank, dispensers and related improvements on a portion of the subject property are exempt from the requirements of Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes regarding Environmental Impact Statements. The proposed improvements will not exceed \$125,000 in valuation and will not have a significant adverse impact to coastal resources. Therefore, Special Management Area Minor Use Permit No. 65 is hereby issued to allow the proposed improvements within the County's Special Management Area.

The applicant is responsible for complying with all of the terms and conditions of approval of SMA Use Permit No. 65.

For your information and use, we are enclosing a Plan Approval Review application to be completed and submitted along with the necessary plans for the construction of the fuel storage tank. Plan Approval must be issued by this office prior to the issuance of a building permit for its construction. Should you have any questions regarding this review, please contact Mr. Rodney Nakano of this office.

Mr. Taeyong M. Kim

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Thank you for your patience over the many months since your original submittal. Please feel free to contact Daryn Arai of my staff at 961-8288 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



for VIRGINIA GOLDSTEIN
Planning Director

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Enclosures: (SMM 65, DLNR ltr, PA appl)

c w/SMM 65: Mr. Eric Leong, DLNR/Land Management (Honolulu)
 Mr. Harry Yada, DLNR/Land Management (Hilo)
 ✓ SMA Section

c: Ministerial Division