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TO: Bart Fletcher, (Rate Case Section)

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FROM: David Draper, (Finance and Tax Section)

Requirement for Corporate Undertaking - Aloha Gardens Water & Wastewater,

Aloha Utilities Inc.

Aloha Gardens Water & Wastewater a division of Aloha Utilities Inc. (AUI), requires a corporate undertaking in the amount of \$163,827. The criteria for a corporate undertaking includes sufficient liquidity, ownership equity, profitability, and interest coverage to guarantee any potential refund. The 1997, 1998 and 1999 annual reports of AUI were used to determine the financial condition of the Company. As the attached schedule shows, AUI has minimal liquidity for 1999, but has shown a steady level of liquidity in previous years. In addition, the schedule shows that AUI has continuously increased its equity ratio over the three year period. AUI also has sufficient interest coverage and profitability for same three year period. Base upon this analysis, staff recommends that AUI can support a corporate undertaking in the amount of \$163,827.

This brief financial analysis is only appropriate for deciding if the utility can support a corporate undertaking in the amount proposed and should not be considered a finding regarding staff's position on other issues in the rate case.

cc: Andrew Maurey

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ALOHA GARDENS WATER & WASTEWATER, ALOHA UTILITIES, INC. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS FOR CORPORATE UNDERTAKING

CORPORATE UNDERTAKING AMOUNT

\$163,827

| | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Current Assets | 1,129,064 | 1,168,069 | 1,209,990 |
| Current Liabilities | 1,275,811 | 959,586 | 986,965 |
| Working Capital | (\$146,747) | \$208,483 | \$223,025 |
| Current Ratio | 0.88 | 1.22 | 1.23 |
| Equity | \$2,462,274 | \$2,378,646 | \$2,198,476 |
| Investor Capital | 2,848,837 | 3,580,535 | 3,618,905 |
| Total Capital | 5,311,111 | 5,959,181 | 5,817,381 |
| Equity Ratio | 46.4% | 39.9% | 37.8% |
| Interest | 420,850 | 428,596 | 473,048 |
| Income Taxes | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net Income | 248,801 | 180,170 | 419,072 |
| EBIT | 669,651 | 608,766 | 892,120 |
| Interest Coverage | 1.59 | 1.42 | 1.89 |
| Net Income (loss) | \$248,801 | \$180,170 | \$419,072 |
| ROE | 10.10% | 7.57% | 19.06% |

Source: The Company's annual reports for 1999, 1998 & 1997

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