

FAFCO

SOLAR WATER HEATING



July 30, 2009

Public Utilities Commission
465 South King Street, #103
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Regarding: Docket 2008-0249

Dear Chairman Caliboso:

Fafco, Incorporated would like to express our support for the comment letter filed by Harpiris Energy and SunEnergy Hawaii in response to the July 1, 2009 decision by the PUC. We agree that expanding the solar water heating mandate for new residential construction to include all SRCC OG-300 certified solar water heating (SWH) systems will benefit the consumers and citizens of Hawaii by:

- Increasing consumer choice by including new and innovative SWH systems, as well as technologies proven to work for decades around the world.
- Introducing new and retrofit customers to SWH systems that are easier, faster, and more reliable to install
- Increasing competition amongst manufacturers, distributors, and installers
- Reducing systems cost for both new construction and retrofit customers

We also agree that the best solution is to allow SWH systems to qualify for the new construction mandate if they have met the RSWHS Standards or have SRCC OG-300 certification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike Rubio".

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