## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC), Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, State of Hawaii, will hold a public hearing on September 24, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the HHFDC Boardroom, 677 Queen Street, Suite 300, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, on the adoption of amendments to and compilation of Chapter 15-306, "General Excise Tax Exemptions," Hawaii Administrative Rules. All are invited to state their views on the proposed amendments orally or in writing. Five copies of written testimony shall be given to the presiding officer at the hearing, or within seven days before the hearing to HHFDC, Attention: Mavis Masaki, 677 Queen Street, Suite 300, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.

The proposed rule amendments implement Act 95, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, by adding in the law's new minimum requirements to qualify for the General Excise Tax exemption. Also proposed are program fee increases, and a new section allowing the recertification of exemption of affordable rents for existing rental housing projects that have changed ownership, but otherwise still meet all program requirements.

Proposed amendments are available for review at HHFDC, 677 Queen Street, Suite 300, during regular business days from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It is also available on the HHFDC website at http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hhfdc/administrative-rules and at regional public libraries. A copy of the proposed rule amendments may be mailed upon receipt of \$3.22 for copying and postage costs. Requests for mailed copies should be made to HHFDC at the above address or by calling Medy Esmena at one of the telephone numbers below:

Honolulu 587-0634 Maui 984-2400, ext. 70634

Hawaii 974-4000, ext. 0634 Molokai or Lanai

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