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Aloha Vendors,

In light of beneficiary concerns, I am issuing this letter as a formal reminder that the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands has a strict policy on the spraying of banned and/or toxic herbicides and pesticides on Hawaiian Home Lands.

The Department does not allow the spraying of Round-Up or any herbicides containing Isopropyl amine salt of glyphosate.

In addition, I want to remind you that the Department does not authorize spraying if winds are steadily in excess of five miles per hour. Proper notifications and advisories shall be posted, and dye markers used in spraying areas. The 100-foot buffer from existing homestead communities still remains in place and it is expected that weedwhackers, and not chemical sprays, be used for weed control when working within 100-feet of any dwelling or waterway. With the use of weedwhackers or mowers, it is still important to adhere to standard safety guidelines for distance to any pedestrians or nearby household members.

Any reported violations against the Department's herbicide policy may result in the termination of your contract with the Department. Any confirmed damage caused by equipment use or chemical spraying to property, including vegetation, will be the responsibility of the vendor to rectify or compensate.

Please contact your contracting division within DHHL should you have any questions or concerns.

I thank you for your ongoing diligence and care of our 'Āina Ho'opulapula.

Mahalo nui loa,

William J. Ailā, Jr., Chairman
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