

May 13,2016

TO: BLNR Chair Suzanne D. Case & Board Members  
Department of Land & Natural Resources

FR: Eric Hansen  
[address redacted]

RE: Request to be admitted as a party in the contested case hearing for CDUP HA-3568 for the Thirty Meter Telescope in the Mauna Kea Lands, Ka'ohē, Hamakua District, Island of Hawai'i, TMK (3) 4-4-015:009

I'm requesting to be admitted as a party to the above contested case hearing pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules §13-1-31. This request should be granted because: (1) Requestor has a property interest in the lands of Mauna Kea through the exercise of Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices; (2) Requestor will be affected by the proposed Thirty Meter Telescope project and has an interest in the proceedings that are clearly distinguishable from the general public; (3) Requestor has a substantial interest in the proceedings; (4) Requestor's participation will substantially assist the board in its decision making; (5) Requestor's position is not substantially the same as any existing parties to the proceedings; and (6) Requestor's participation will add substantially new relevant information and will not make the proceedings inefficient and unmanageable.

Requestor's specific, substantial interests in the contested case proceedings also consists as follows: I was the field crew leader for the first ever base line botanical survey on Mauna kea. For many months my crew and I would intimately discover and document ever single plant, tree , shrub, moss and lichen located on the mountain. This data was later published into a report for the office of Mauna Kea Management. I know that there is botanical species in the proposed telescope area. I am alarmed and concerned the potential impact to botanical community.

Ask to be heard at the next hearing to ensure the botanical species are not forgotten in this case.

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[Printed Name w/ Signature]