

“Power purchase agreements offer a way to bring the benefits of clean solar energy to governments, municipalities and businesses with no upfront cost, while allowing investors to take full advantage of the associated investment tax credits. It really is a win-win for all involved.”

— Dustin Shindo, Chairman and CEO, Hoku Scientific

FEDERAL ENERGY INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS**

The federal energy Investment Tax Credits available under 26 USC § 48 were expanded significantly by the Energy Improvement and Extension Act of 2008 (H.R. 1424), enacted in October 2008. The new law extended the duration, by eight years, of the existing credits for solar energy, fuel cells and microturbines; increased the credit amount for fuel cells; established new credits for small wind-energy systems, geothermal heat pumps, and combined heat and power (CHP) systems; extended eligibility for the credits to utilities; and allowed taxpayers to take the credit against the alternative minimum tax (AMT), subject to certain limitations. Credits are available for eligible systems placed into service on or before December 31, 2016.

ELIGIBLE SOLAR ENERGY PROJECTS**

The credit is equal to 30% of expenditures. Eligible solar energy property includes equipment that uses solar energy to generate electricity, to heat or cool (or provide hot water for use in) a structure, or to provide solar process heat. (Passive solar systems and solar pool-heating systems are not eligible.)

SOLAR ENERGY BENEFITS

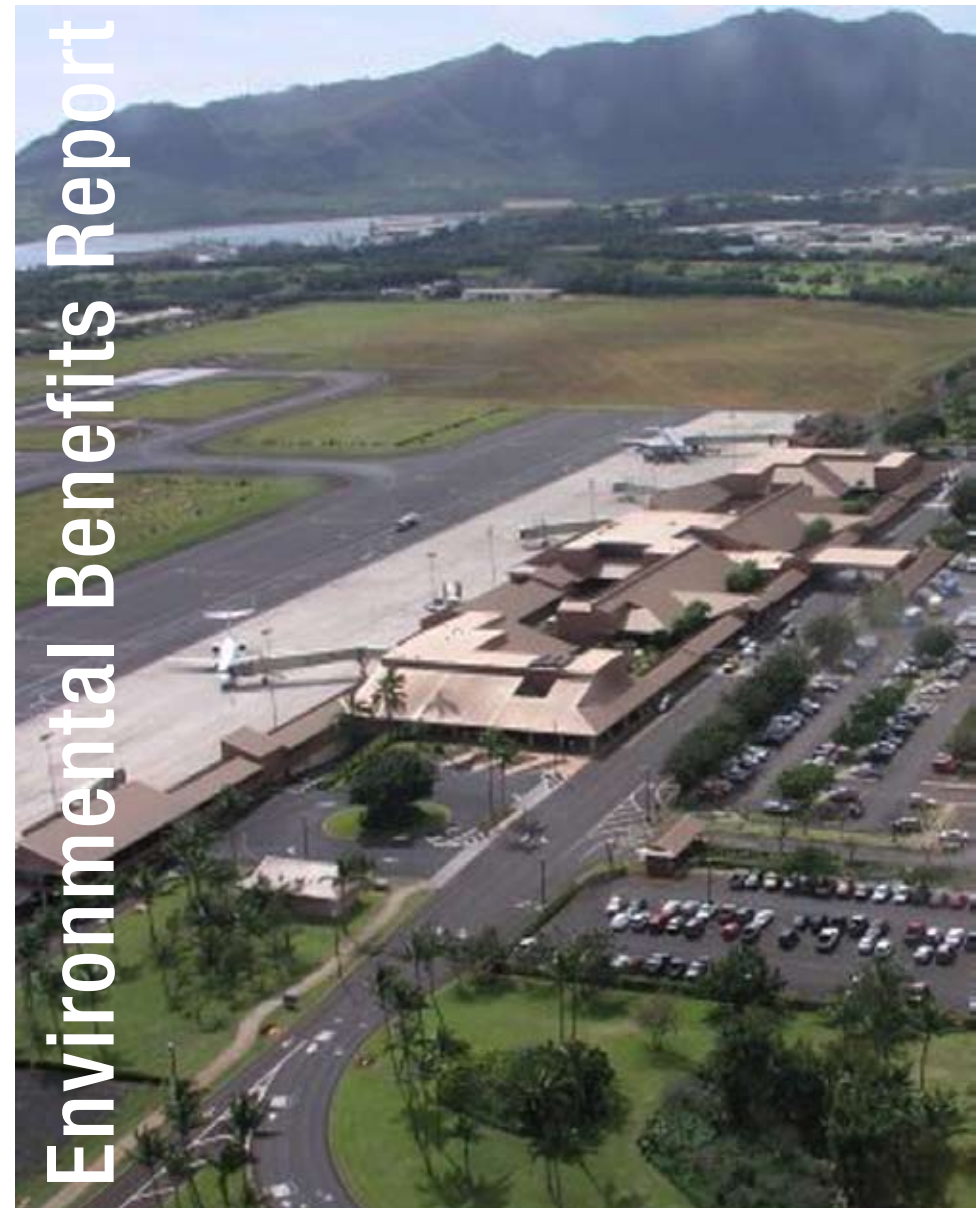
- The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) estimates that an additional thirty gigawatts of solar energy will result with the eight year ITC extension. NREL also estimates that the solar market will continue to drive increased deployment even after the credits expire.
- Solar energy leads the way in stabilizing America’s energy security.
- Solar energy harnesses the power of the sun and helps confront global climate change.

**Source: Database of State Incentives for Renewables & Efficiency - <http://www.dsireusa.org>



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903 KW SOLAR PROJECT HOKU/HDOT



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The islands of Kauai, Maui and Hawaii, HI**





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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Hawaii Department of Transportation operates and maintains 15 airports statewide. This 903 kW solar project has been installed on the rooftops of airport facilities at locations on the islands of Kauai, Maui and Hawaii. Hoku Solar, Inc., a subsidiary of Hoku Scientific, Inc. was responsible for installing and maintaining the seven installations. The systems are operational and have been producing clean solar power since the 1st quarter of 2009. The electricity generated by the systems will be sold to HDOT over a contract period of 20 years.



PROJECT SUMMARY:

Location	Airports operated by HDOT on the islands of Kauai, Maui and Hawaii
Project Type	Photovoltaic Crystalline
Size	903 KiloWatts
Owner	Hoku Solar Power I, LLC
Integrator	Hoku Solar, Inc.
Project Cost	\$9,000,000
Project Completion Date	March 2009
Greenhouse Gases Offset	18,410 Tons Over the Life of the System*

FINANCIAL UFA transactions are structured to deliver appropriate yields to all types of investors, lenders and project developers. Whether it's a green building or a small business, a strong financial foundation allows UFA and its partners to be financially rewarded for building projects that deliver more deeply to the community and the natural environment.

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ENVIRONMENTAL Buildings are responsible for approximately 48% of the energy use and emission of greenhouse gases in the United States, and the demand for clean, renewable energy is increasing rapidly. UFA is making change by creating tax-advantaged investment opportunities which result in financing for projects with reduced energy costs and enhanced property values.

PROJECT PARTNERS:

- United Fund Advisors
- U.S. Bancorp Community Development Corporation
- Hoku Solar
- Sennet Capital
- Hawaii Department of Transportation

*Source: www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-resources/calculator.html