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Member Business Lending (MBL) Expands Hawaii Region with the Addition of Two New Credit Union Affiliates

- Kauai Community Federal Credit Union and CU Hawaii Federal Credit Union Initiate Growth in Newly-Formed MBL Hawaii Region

SALT LAKE CITY (September 18, 2007) – Member Business Lending, LLC ([MBL](#)), the leading provider of credit union-based SBA loans for the underserved U.S. small business community, today announced the expansion of its newly-formed Hawaii region with the addition of two new member affiliates, bringing the total in the MBL system to twenty-five.

The addition of two new credit unions within the first 90 days of operations in Hawaii highlights the unique value MBL provides to credit unions in expanding and strengthening their business services offerings.

“Hawaii’s credit unions have a long history of resourcefulness and innovation in creating opportunities for growth through products and services that meet their members’ unique needs,” said Baron S. Nakamura, Hawaii Regional Manager for MBL. . “These new affiliates recognized MBL’s strong capability to help them take advantage of rapidly growing demand for market-leading new member business lending services. We believe that many other credit unions in the islands will recognize similar value in the months ahead.”

With \$303,456,289 in assets and 31,942 members, Kauai Community Credit Union www.kcfcu.org is Hawaii’s 10th largest credit union, and the largest on the island of Kauai. Reflecting consistent adherence to founding principles, the company’s focus has been to improve the economic condition of its members and to offer its services to all residents who were not eligible to join the other credit unions on the island. Its roots date to 1954 when ten pineapple growers from the Kapaa region met to create more attractive business financing opportunities than those offered by local banks. Being ineligible to join local credit unions, they pooled \$595 in savings and formed a credit union that has since grown to the largest on the island.

CU Hawaii Federal Credit Union www.cuhawaii.com also has a long history of innovative growth and success on Hawaii’s Big Island. Originally founded in 1955, ten charter members each contributed \$10 to form Big Island Businessmen’s Federal Credit Union. Through years of successful growth the name was changed first to JCC Credit Union and then to CU Hawaii to better reflect their status as a community credit union. Today CU Hawaii has \$224,154,199 in assets and continues to offer residents of the Big Island – now 31,289 members strong – a lifetime of financial services that are the hallmark of its traditional roots.

The MBL Hawaii offices are located at 2200 Kamehameha Highway, #101, Honolulu, HI 96819 and can be reached at 808-846-2283.

About MBL

Member Business Lending, LLC. (MBL) is the leading provider of business lending services to credit unions in the nation, and the largest credit union-based producer of SBA loans. Founded in 2004, MBL represents a consortium of credit union lenders who have combined their resources to maximize small business lending expertise, efficiency and quality. MBL's expert staff specializes in training, underwriting, processing and servicing for conventional and government loan programs. For more information, visit www.mblllc.com.

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