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AMERICAN RED CROSS, ALOHA PETROLEUM LAUNCH DONATION DRIVE FOR TSUNAMI AND TYPHOON VICTIMS

Honolulu, HI (October 9, 2009) – The American Red Cross, Hawaii State Chapter, today announced that Aloha Petroleum will begin collecting cash donations at its 29 Aloha Island Mini-Mart locations on Oahu and the Big Island to support the agency’s disaster relief efforts in American Samoa, the Philippines and Indonesia.

The special American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund collection canisters will be located at the Aloha Island Mini-Mart checkout counters beginning today and will be in place through the end of the year. Aloha Petroleum will match the total amount collected up to \$10,000.

“We are very grateful to Aloha Petroleum for their compassion in this time of great tragedy. Their generosity will help us save lives and give hope to those in need. We cannot thank them enough for their wonderful contribution to the cause of humanity,” said Coralie Matayoshi, CEO of the American Red Cross, Hawaii State Chapter.

“The American Red Cross is providing much needed assistance to these distressed communities and we wanted to help. Many of our employees have relatives and friends in these affected areas,” explained Richard Parry, President and CEO of Aloha Petroleum. “We know there are many local residents who also want to support the American Red Cross and its disaster relief efforts. We wanted to make it easy for them to help by having donation collection canisters at Aloha’s Island Mini-Marts.”

Aloha Island Mini-Marts are located across Oahu and on the Big Island. A complete list of locations can be found at www.AlohaGas.com.

Help people affected by disaster like the recent tsunami by donating to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund. On those rare occasions when donations exceed Red Cross expenses for a specific disaster, contributions are used to prepare for and serve victims of other disasters. Your gift enables the Red Cross to provide shelter, food, emotional support and other assistance to victims of all disasters. Call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Contributions to the Disaster Relief Fund may be sent to the Hawaii State Chapter at 4155 Diamond Head Road, Honolulu, HI 96816, or to American Red Cross, P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C., 20013. Internet users can make a secure online donation by visiting www.redcross.org.

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