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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)
HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.)
For Approval to Commit Funds in)
Excess of \$500,000 for Item Y00021,)
New Kuahua Substation.)
_____)

DOCKET NO. 03-0260

ORDER NO. 20597

Filed Oct. 28, 2003
At 10:00 o'clock A .M.

Karen Higashi
Chief Clerk of the Commission

DIV. OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY
DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF HAWAII

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Commission, State of Hawaii.

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ORDER

I.

Introduction

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. ("HECO") requests commission approval to commit an estimated \$7,312,075 for Item Y00021, its new Kuahua Substation, through an application filed on September 17, 2003. HECO makes its request under Rule 2.3.g.2 of General Order No. 7, *Standards for Electric Utility Service in the State of Hawaii*¹ and Hawaii Revised Statutes § 269-27.6(a).

HECO served the DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY ("Consumer Advocate") with copies of its application.

¹For the purposes of this order, "Rule" and "Paragraph" are synonymous.

II.

Scheduling Requirements

The commission finds that establishing a procedural schedule at this juncture would aid in the efficient and timely disposition of the instant proceeding. The commission concludes that HECO and the Consumer Advocate (collectively, the "Parties") should informally meet to formulate the issues, procedures, and schedule regarding this proceeding in a stipulated scheduling order. The stipulated scheduling order should be submitted for the commission's review and approval within 20 days from the date of this order. In the alternative, if unable to agree on a stipulated order, we conclude that each party should submit a proposed scheduling order for the commission's consideration within 20 days of the date of this order.

III.

Orders

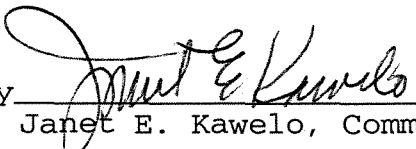
THE COMMISSION ORDERS the Parties to informally meet to formulate a stipulated scheduling order that sets forth the issues, procedures, and schedule of this proceeding. The stipulated scheduling order shall be submitted within 20 days of the date of this order for the commission's review and approval. In the alternative, if unable to agree on a stipulated order, each party shall submit its own proposed scheduling order for the commission's consideration within 20 days from the date of this order.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 28th day of October,
2003.

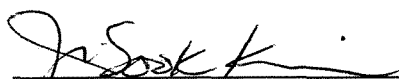
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By 
Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By 
Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

By 
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Ji Sook Kim
Commission Counsel

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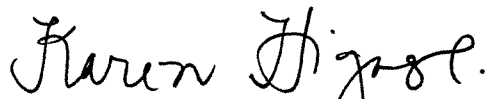
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20597 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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DATED: October 28, 2003