

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 Y48500,)
 East Oahu Transmission Project.)
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DOCKET NO. 03-0417

ORDER NO. 20771

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

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procedural schedule at this juncture will aid in the efficient and timely disposition of this matter. Thus, we conclude that HECO and the Consumer Advocate should meet informally to formulate the issues, procedures, and schedule with respect to this proceeding, to be set forth in a stipulated prehearing order that shall be submitted for commission approval within 30 days from the date of this order.¹ In the alternative, if the parties are unable to stipulate to such order, we conclude that each party shall submit a proposed prehearing order for the commission's consideration within 30 days from the date of this order.

III.

Orders


THE COMMISSION ORDERS that HECO and the Consumer Advocate shall meet informally to formulate the issues, procedures, and schedule with respect to this proceeding, to be set forth in a stipulated prehearing order. The stipulated prehearing order shall be submitted for commission approval within 30 days of this order. If the parties to this docket are unable to stipulate to such an order, each party shall submit a proposed prehearing order for the commission's consideration by the same date. In determining the above-requested procedural schedule, the parties shall include a time for at least one public hearing to allow the commission to hear public comments relating to this matter.


¹If intervention or participation status is granted to any interested person in this docket, the commission intends to incorporate such party's respective deadline dates into the prehearing order it ultimately approves.

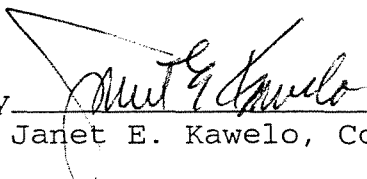
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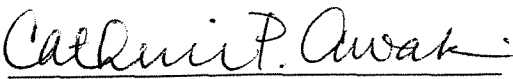
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By 
Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By 
Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

By 
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Catherine P. Awakuni
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. 20771 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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