

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of )  
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HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC., )  
HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC., )  
and MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED )  
)  
For Exemption From and Modification )  
of General Order No. 7, )  
Paragraph 2.3(g), Relating to )  
Capital Improvements. )  
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ORDER

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. ("HECO"), HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC. ("HELCO"), and MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED ("MECO") (collectively, "Applicants"), seek to increase the monetary threshold that triggers the filing of capital expenditure applications with the commission, from \$500,000 to \$3 million, exclusive of customer contributions.<sup>1</sup> Applicants make their request pursuant to paragraphs 1.2(b) and 2.3(g)2 of General Order No. 7, *Standards for Electric Utility Service* ("GO No. 7").

Applicants served copies of their application upon the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Division of Consumer Advocacy ("Consumer Advocate"). The Consumer Advocate

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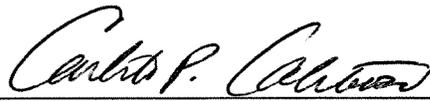
<sup>1</sup>Joint application, filed on September 12, 2003.

does not object to Applicants' request, subject to certain conditions.<sup>2</sup>

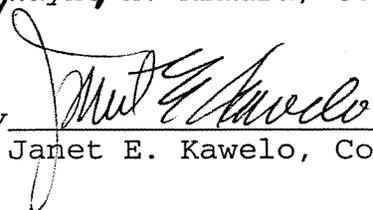
THE COMMISSION ORDERS that HECO, HELCO, and MECO shall file their joint response to the Consumer Advocate's proposed conditions by May 5, 2004.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 16th day of April, 2004.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By   
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By   
Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

By   
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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<sup>2</sup>Consumer Advocate's position statement, filed on December 23, 2003.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20912 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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