

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

WAIMANA ENTERPRISES, INC.,)
)
 Complainant,)
)
 vs.)
)
 MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LTD.,)
)
 Respondent.)
 _____)

DOCKET NO. 6954

ORDER NO. 21990

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

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Complainant,)	Docket No. 6954
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vs.)	Order No. 21990
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Respondent.)	
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ORDER

By this Order, the commission approves the Parties'¹ request to extend the deadline to file their exceptions and comments ("Comments") to Proposed Decision and Order No. 21929 from Monday, August 1, 2005 to Monday, August 22, 2005, pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-61-23.

I.

Parties' Request for an Extension of Time

By Proposed Decision and Order No. 21929, filed on July 20, 2005 ("Proposed Decision and Order"), the commission provided Waimana, MECO and the Consumer Advocate an opportunity

¹The parties to this docket are WAIMANA ENTERPRISES, INC.'s ("Waimana"), MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LTD. ("MECO"), and the DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY (collectively, the "Parties").

to file Comments to the Proposed Decision and Order within ten (10) days of the date of the Proposed Decision and Order.²

On July 29, 2005, MECO submitted a letter, on behalf of the Parties, requesting commission approval to extend the deadline to file their Comments from Monday, August 1, 2005 to Monday, August 22, 2005 ("Extension of Time Request"). MECO states that the Extension of Time Request is necessary due to its "extremely heavy work requirements associated with Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.'s 2005 rate case (Docket No. 04-0113) and other proceedings," and represents that Waimana and the Consumer Advocate concur with the joint Extension of Time Request.³

HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1) allows the commission, at its discretion, to enlarge the period of time for any act that is required to be done on a showing of good cause when a written request for the enlargement of time is filed before the expiration of the originally prescribed period.

The rationale for the Parties' Extension of Time Request appears to be reasonable. Thus, we find good cause to approve the Parties' Extension of Time Request under HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1), and conclude that their Extension of Time Request should be approved.

²Pursuant to HAR § 6-61-22, the Parties' deadline for filing Comments is Monday, August 1, 2005.

³Per telephone conversation with MECO on August 1, 2005, MECO orally confirmed that its July 29, 2005 Extension of Time Request was filed on behalf of the Parties.

III.

Order

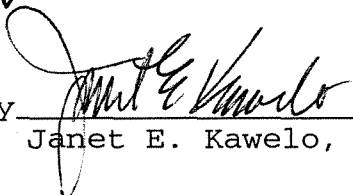
THE COMMISSION ORDERS that the Parties' Extension of Time Request is approved.⁴

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii AUG 11 2005.

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:


Kris N. Nakagawa
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⁴Accordingly, the new deadline for the submission of the Parties' Comments is Monday, August 22, 2005.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 21990 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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