

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)
MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED)
For Approval of Recovery of 2008)
IRP Planning Costs Through the)
Company's IRP Recovery Provision.)

DOCKET NO. 2007-0328

ORDER NO. 23828

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By this Order, the commission suspends this docket.

I.

Background

On October 1, 2007, MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED ("MECO") filed an application for commission approval of its budget for incremental 2008 integrated resource plan ("IRP") planning costs, and the subsequent recovery of those costs through its IRP Cost Recovery Provision ("Application").¹

By Order No. 23788, filed on October 30, 2007, the commission directed the Parties to file a stipulated procedural schedule, incorporating their agreed-upon schedule with respect to this proceeding, within sixty (60) days from the date of the Order. In the alternative, if the Parties were unable to stipulate to such a schedule, they were to each submit a proposed

¹MECO and the DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS ("Consumer Advocate") are collectively referred to as the "Parties." No parties have moved to intervene or participate in this proceeding, pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules §§ 6-61-55, 6-61-56 and 6-61-57.

procedural schedule for the commission's consideration within sixty (60) days from the date of the Order.

By letter dated November 1, 2007, MECO requested that the commission suspend the docket, pending the issuance of an interim decision and order in Docket No. 2006-0387, MECO's 2007 test year rate case. MECO also requested that the commission stay Order No. 23788. According to MECO, in Docket No. 2006-0387, MECO and the Consumer Advocate proposed to include a normalized level of IRP planning costs in base rates, which, if approved by the commission, would result in MECO terminating recovery of its IRP planning costs through its IRP Cost Recovery Provision, and withdrawal of its Application in this docket. MECO represents that the Consumer Advocate concurs with MECO's proposal to suspend the docket.

Based on the foregoing, the commission will suspend the docket. As the commission is suspending the docket, Order No. 23788 is stayed until further order of the commission.

II.

Order

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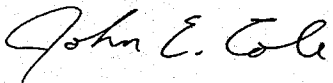
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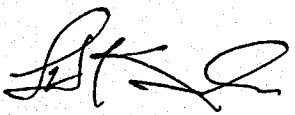
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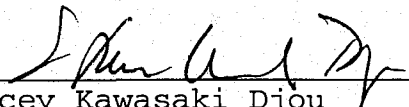
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 23828 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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