BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

In the Matter of the Application of
HAWAIIAN TELCOM, INC.

DOCKET NO. 2008-0136

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DECISION AND ORDER

By this Decision and Order, the commission approves
HAWAIIAN TELCOM, INC.’s (“HTI”) application, filed on
July 2, 2008, for approval to market its non-regulated services,
voicemail (“VM”) and/or inside wire maintenance plan (“IWMP”), in
conjunction with its Hawaiian Telcom Go LocalSM (“Go Local”) and
Hawaiian Telcom Go Local PlusSM (“Go Local Plus”) service
offerings (collectively, “Go Local services”), either under
HTI’s current general or promotional tariff including, but
not limited to, Hawaiian Telcom Go Local Plus Promotion filed in
HTI’s Letter of Intent under Transmittal No. 08-08 filed on
April 21, 2008 (“Application”).

I.

Application

On July 2, 2008, HTI filed its Application seeking
commission approval to offer its VM and/or IWMP non-regulated
services with HTI’s regulated Go Local services. HTI filed its
Application pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 269-16, as amended; Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-80-35(e), to the extent applicable; and the commission’s Decision and Order No. 23443, filed on May 17, 2007, in Docket No. 2007-0062 ("Decision and Order No. 23443").

As described in the Application, VM is an optional, non-regulated service that records messages for the called party when their phone line is in use or unanswered; while, IWMP is an optional, non-regulated service that provides repair coverage for the phone jacks and wires inside the home for subscribers of HTI's home phone service. According to HTI, these proposed bundled service offerings would result in the waiver of applicable monthly recurring charges for VM and/or IWMP during the promotional period as set for in the proposed tariff changes, attached as Exhibit 1 to the Application; which will hereafter be referred to as the "proposed VM and/or IWMP/Go Local Promotion Bundle services." Among other things, HTI represents that its proposed VM and/or IWMP/Go Local Promotion Bundle services that include a qualified local exchange service ordered under its Go Local and Go Local Plus offerings satisfies the commission’s requirements set forth in Decision and Order No. 23443. HTI requests that its proposed VM and/or IWMP/Go Local Promotion Bundle services be allowed to take effect on August 1, 2008.
In Decision and Order No. 23443, the commission established a streamlined, modified process for reviewing bundled service offerings for HTI and its affiliate, Hawaiian Telcom Services Company, Inc., as follows:

1. Requests for approval of Bundled Services offerings shall be filed via application to the commission. The application must contain information sufficient to determine whether each Bundled Services offering complies with the specific criteria that the commission has identified and utilized in its prior approvals of bundled services, or any additional criteria that may be applicable to demonstrate that the non-competitive services are not subsidizing the competitive services.

2. Such applications before the commission will take effect thirty days from filing of the application, unless suspended by the commission for further review.

Pursuant to Paragraph 2, above, HTI requested that approval of its Application take effect on August 1, 2008, which is 30 days after the filing date of the Application.

Upon review of the Application, the commission finds that it meets the requirements of Decision and Order No. 23443. Accordingly, the commission concludes that HTI’s Application, filed on July 2, 2008, should be approved.

1See Decision and Order No. 23443 at 13 (footnote omitted).

2The DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, an ex officio party to all proceedings before the commission pursuant to HRS § 269-51 and HAR § 6-61-62, did not file any objections to the Application.
II.

Orders

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. HTI’s plan to offer its proposed VM and/or IWMP/Go Local Promotion Bundle services, as described in the Application, is approved.

2. HTI’s request that its proposed VM and/or IWMP/Go Local Promotion Bundle services be allowed to take effect on August 1, 2008, is granted.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii JUL 24 2008

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By: Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By: John E. Cole, Commissioner

By: Leslie H. Kondo, Commissioner

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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