BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application)			
of)	Docket No.	2000	0048
MOLOKAI PUBLIC UTILITIES, INC.)	Docket No	200	
For review and approval of rate increases; revised rate schedules; and revised rules.)) _)			

MOLOKAI PUBLIC UTILITIES, INC.'S APPLICATION

EXHIBITS MPU 1 THROUGH MPU 11

EXHIBIT MPU-T-100

VERIFICATION

and

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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APPLICATION

MOLOKAI PUBLIC UTILITIES, INC., a Hawaii corporation ("MPU" or "Applicant"), pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 269-16, as amended, Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") Title 6, Chapter 61, and Ordering Paragraph 8 (Part III, subpart 8) of the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission's ("Commission") Order Approving Temporary Rate Relief for MPU and Wai'ola O Moloka'i, Inc. ("Wai'ola"), issued in Docket No. 2008-0115 on August 14, 2008 ("Temporary Rate Order")¹, hereby submits this application ("Application") requesting that the Commission:

Determine this Application to be complete, pursuant to HRS § 269-16(f),
 as amended, and HAR § 6-61-88;

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 8 (Part III, subpart 8) of the Temporary Rate Order, the Commission directed MPU and Wai`ola to file an application or applications for a general rate increase within six months of the date of the Temporary Rate Order, if a third party is not found to take over the Utilities (as that term is defined in the Temporary Rate Order and infra in footnote 2). Because the Temporary Rate Order is dated August 14, 2008, the six-month period ended on February 17, 2009. On February 12, 2009, before expiration of the six-month period, MPU and Wai`ola jointly filed a letter with the Commission requesting an extension of the February 17, 2009 deadline to March 2, 2009. By its Order Approving Extension of Temporary Rate Relief and Request for an Extension to File General Rate Case Applications ("Order Approving Extension"), filed February 28, 2009 in Docket No. 2008-0115, the Commission granted the joint request and approved an extension of the six-month period until March 2, 2009. As such, this Application is timely filed.

- Conduct a public hearing on the island of Molokai to consider this
 Application in accordance with HRS § 269-12, HRS § 269-16, and HAR § 6-61-30;
- 3. Find that Applicant's present rates and charges for its water customers are unjust and unreasonable and will not allow Applicant to recover all of its reasonably incurred expenses nor allow Applicant to earn a return on its prudently incurred investments in utility property;
- 4. Approve, pursuant to HRS § 269-16, the proposed increase in Applicant's rates and charges as set forth in Exhibit MPU 5, and authorize Applicant to put into effect the proposed rates and charges after the date of authorization by the Commission;
- 5. Conduct this proceeding via the expedited 6-month process for review of small public utilities, pursuant to HRS § 269-16(f), as amended, and complete its deliberations and issue a proposed decision and order within six (6) months following the filing of a completed Application, pursuant to HRS § 269-16(f)(3), as amended;
- 6. Approve the establishment of an Automatic Power Cost Adjustment Clause as proposed by Applicant in this proceeding;
- 7. Approve the establishment of a Purchased Fuel Adjustment Clause as proposed by Applicant in this proceeding;
- 8. Approve the proposed amendment to Rule XX of Applicant's Rules and Regulations (hereinafter referred to collectively as either "Tariff" or "Rules and Regulations") to increase its reconnection fee to \$150.00; and
- 9. Grant such other relief as may be just and reasonable under the circumstances.

In support of this Application, Applicant provides the following information:

I.

COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THIS APPLICATION

All pleadings, correspondence and communications regarding this Application should be addressed as follows:

MR. PETER A. NICHOLAS Molokai Public Utilities, Inc. c/o Molokai Properties Limited 745 Fort Street Mall, Suite 600 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Copies of all pleadings, correspondence and communications regarding this Application should also be sent to Applicant's counsel as follows:

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> > II.

DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND OF APPLICANT

MPU is a Hawaii corporation whose business address is 745 Fort Street,
Suite 600, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.² MPU is a public utility authorized to provide water
service in the Kaluakoi area on the west end of the island of Molokai since 1981, when
it received its Certification of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Commission

² MPU is one of three affiliated entities under common ownership by Molokai Properties Limited ("MPL"). The other two entities are Wai`ola and MOSCO, Inc. ("Mosco"). MPU, Wai`ola, and Mosco are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Utilities."

pursuant to Decision and Order No. 6384, filed on October 29, 1981, in Docket No. 4112. MPU currently provides potable and non-potable water service to the Kaluakoi Resort, Ke Nani Kai and Paniolo Hale Condominiums, Kaluakoi Villas, Papohaku Ranchlands, Moana Makani subdivisions, and Maui County parks.

Additional information relating to Applicant's water utility service is further described in the testimony of Applicant's consultant, Mr. Robert L. O'Brien. See Exhibit MPU-T-100; see also Exhibit MPU 1.

Applicant provides service to its customers at current base rates, other than its water consumption rate, approved by the Commission pursuant to Decision and Order No. 20342, issued on July 18, 2003, in Docket No. 02-0371. Applicant's current water consumption rate was approved by the Commission as a temporary rate effective as of September 1, 2008, pursuant to the Temporary Rate Order, issued on August 14, 2008, in Docket No. 2008-0115.³

³ When MPL announced in March 2008 that it would cease all current business operations on Molokai, it informed the Commission that MPL would no longer be able to subsidize MPU and Wai`ola, both of which had incurred substantial losses in 2007. Although the Utilities had hoped that a third party would be interested in taking over the Utilities, none was immediately forthcoming. To address the Utilities' financial inability to continue utility services, the Commission initiated, <u>sua sponte</u>, a proceeding to provide temporary rate relief to the Utilities. <u>See</u> Order Instituting a Proceeding to Provide Temporary Rate Relief to Molokai Public Utilities, Inc., Wai`ola O Moloka`i, Inc., and MOSCO, Inc., issued June 16, 2008 in Docket No. 2008-0115.

As a result of the proceeding, the Commission issued the Temporary Rate Order, which, among other things, approved temporary rate increases for MPU and Wai'ola's water consumption charges. Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph 1 (Part III, subpart I) of the Temporary Rate Order, the Commission approved a temporary rate increase for MPU from \$3.18 per 1,000 gallons to \$6.04 per 1,000 gallons. Further, the Commission ordered that the temporary rate increases be effective from September 1, 2008 for a period of six months, terminating on February 28, 2009. See Temporary Rate Order at 19. Within this six-month period, the Commission anticipated that either a third-party would be found to take over the Utilities' systems or that the Utilities would file an application(s) for a general rate increase. See id. at 20. To date, a third-party successor to the Utilities' systems has not been found.

On October 29, 2008, the Utilities jointly filed a Motion to Extend Order Approving Temporary Rate Relief ("Motion") in Docket No. 2008-0115, requesting that the temporary rate increases for MPU and Wai`ola be extended from February 28, 2009 for an additional six months, or such time as may be necessary for the Utilities to obtain Commission approval of general rate increase application(s). The Commission granted the Utilities' Motion on February 24, 2009, and in Ordering Paragraph 2 (Part III, subpart 2) ordered that "the temporary rates approved in the Temporary Rate Order shall be extended until August 2009, or until the [C]ommission rules on the general rate case applications to be filed by the Utilities." Order Approving Extension at 7.

BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTION OF RATE RELIEF REQUESTED

A. Rate Relief Requested

In accordance with HAR § 6-61-88(3), Applicant seeks the review and approval of the Commission for a July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 test year ("2009-2010 test year") net revenue increase of \$562,550. See Exhibit MPU 6 (line 7, column 2). This amounts to an approximate 73.69% increase from the pro forma revenue amount of \$763,408 at present rates for the 2009-2010 test year, as shown on Exhibit MPU 6 (line 38, column 2, and line 7, column 1, respectively) attached hereto and as further described in Mr. O'Brien's testimony. See MPU-T-100. If approved, the proposed revenue increase will provide Applicant with a 2.0% rate of return on its prudently installed plant and on its prudently incurred system improvements, as shown on Exhibit MPU 6 (line 33, column 1).

B. Justification for Rate Relief Requested

Applicant's current rates do not now and will not in the foreseeable future produce sufficient revenues to allow it to recover its prudently incurred expenses and earn a return on its prudently incurred investments. At present rates, Applicant projects a 2009-2010 test year net operating loss of \$311,050 and a negative 31.33% rate of return on an average rate base of \$992,860. See Exhibits MPU 6 and MPU 9. The instant rate case is designed to eliminate these current ongoing losses and to allow Applicant to earn a small return on its prudently incurred investments for utility assets providing service to its customers. As described in Mr. O'Brien's testimony (Exhibit MPU-T-100), Applicant has based its revenue increase request on a rate of return of

2.00 percent in recognition of the impact of a fair return on its investment on its customers at this time. Moreover, to minimize the "rate shock" to customers from the proposed increase, Applicant is proposing a two stage phase-in of the new rates and charges.

As further described in Mr. O'Brien's testimony (Exhibit MPU-T-100), through this Application, Applicant is seeking to: (1) increase its rates and charges for its water service; (2) establish an Automatic Power Cost Adjustment Clause ("APCAC"), which permits adjustment for electric costs during the year; (3) establish a Purchased Fuel Adjustment Clause ("PFAC") for the fuel component of its water costs; and (4) amend Rule XX of its Rules and Regulations to increase its reconnection charge.

IV.

FILING AND NOTICE OF INTENT REQUIREMENTS

In In re Kaupulehu Water Company, Docket No. 05-0124, Order No. 21906

(July 1, 2005) ("Order No. 21906"), the Commission declared that "HRS § 269-16(f) and HAR § 6-61-88 apply to public utilities that have annual gross revenues of less than \$2 million, rather than on a public utility's pro forma or proposed revenues stated in its general rate case application." See Order No. 21906 at 9 (emphasis in original). In this Application, MPU's unaudited financial statements (Exhibit MPU 2, Schedule 4) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 set forth MPU's annual gross revenues for 2008, which is the most recent calendar year upon which to calculate MPU's annual gross revenues. MPU's unaudited financial statements indicate that MPU's annual gross

revenues for the fiscal year ending 2008 was \$647,618 (Exhibit MPU 2, Schedule 4, page 2, line 8, column 4), which is approximately \$1.35 million below the \$2 million threshold set forth in HRS § 269-16(f), as amended, and HAR Chapter 61, Subchapter 8. Thus, the filing requirements of HAR § 6-61-88 (i.e., utilities with annual gross revenues of less than \$2 million) apply to this Application, and no notice of intent is required to be filed, pursuant to HAR § 6-61-85(a).

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PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES

As more fully described in Exhibits MPU 4, MPU 5, and MPU 6 of this

Application, if Applicant's request for a rate increase is approved, the following rates
and charges would increase as follows and would generate an additional \$562,550 in
annual revenues, pro forma for the test year ended June 30, 2010. In recognition that
the proposed increases in these rates and charges could result in "rate shock" to certain
classes of customers, Applicant proposes a two stage phase-in of the proposed
increases to its rates and charges to mitigate or reduce any potential "rate shock" to its
customers.

Pursuant to HAR § 6-61-88, the following is a comparison of the present rates and charges to Applicant's customers, and the proposed rates and charges to be applied as part of the two stage phase-in implementation process:

<u>US</u>	ER CHARGES:	Present Rate/Charge		Р	Phase I Proposed Rate/Charge		Phase II roposed te/Charge	Total Percent Increase
1.	Deposit prior to commencement of services	\$	50.00	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	100%
2.	Water Consumption Charge per month per 1000 gallons	\$	6.04*	\$	8.6524	\$	10.394	72.1%
3.	Standby charge per month (per installed r 5/8" or 3/4" 1" 1-1/2" 2" 3" 4" 6" 8"	neter \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	11.25 15.00 22.50 37.50 75.00 112.50 225.00 375.00	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	16.00 21.00 32.00 54.00 107.00 161.00 322.00 537.00	****	19.00 26.00 39.00 64.00 129.00 193.00 387.00 644.00	68.9% 73.3% 73.3% 70.7% 72.0% 71.6% 72.0% 71.7%
4.	Private fire protection rates per month: Per Hydrant Per Standpipe Others: Per in diameter of feed main	\$ \$ \$	5.25 3.00 3.75	\$ \$ \$	7.50 4.30 5.40	\$ \$	9.00 5.20 6.40	71.4% 73.3% 70.7%
5.	Monthly water availability charge to each owner of each lot at which a service connection is possible but has not been applied for	\$	3.00	\$	4.30	\$	5.20	73.3%
6.	Contribution for tap-in 5/8" or 3/4" 1" 1-1/2" 2" 3" 4" 6" 8"	\$: \$ 4	150.00 300.00 525.00 750.00 1,500.00 3,000.00 4,500.00 6,750.00	\$3 \$4	150.00 300.00 525.00 750.00 ,500.00 ,000.00 ,500.00	\$ 3 \$ 4	150.00 300.00 525.00 750.00 1,500.00 3,000.00 4,500.00 5,750.00	0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0%
7.	Reconnection Fee	\$	75.00	\$	150.00	\$	150.00	100%
8.	Inspection fee where user installs tap-in and meter	Acti	ual Cost**	Act	ual Cost**	Act	tual Cost**	0%
9.	Bulk Water Sales per month per 1000 gallons (Kualapuu Bulk Sale Contract)	\$	1.125	\$	1.7906	\$	2.151	91.2%

^{10.} Temporary fire hydrant water use charge***

^{*} As discussed more fully in footnote 3, pursuant to the Temporary Rate Order and the Order Approving Extension, the consumption charge of \$3.18 per 1,000 gallons was temporarily increased to \$6.04 per 1,000 gallons.

^{**} Not less than \$37.50.

^{***} For water taken on a temporary basis from a hydrant pursuant to the prior written permission of Applicant, the charge will be the highest consumption rate approved by the Commission in effect at the time of such use, plus, with regard to the need to meter the temporary water use, a meter charge equivalent to the monthly stand-by charge for the applicable meter size.

As noted above, Applicant is proposing a two stage phase-in implementation of the proposed increase of its rates and charges in order to mitigate or reduce the impact of the increased rates and charges on its customers. If approved by the Commission, Phase I is proposed to go into effect upon the issuance of the Commission's order approving the proposed increased rates and charges ("Phase I Effective Date"), and Phase II is proposed to go into effect six months after the Phase I Effective Date. This phase-in process delays the start of full revenue recovery by approximately six months for Applicant if the Commission approves the new, proposed revenue requirements requested by Applicant. Details of the proposed phased implementation noted above are also described and illustrated in Exhibit MPU 5 and MPU-T-100 of this Application.

VI.

PROPOSED AUTOMATIC POWER COST ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Applicant also hereby requests that it be authorized to establish an Automatic Power Cost Adjustment Clause (APCAC) which will allow Applicant to increase or decrease the rates it charges for water service based on any corresponding increase or decrease in the electricity cost charged to Applicant by Maui Electric Company, Ltd., in relation to the base cost of electricity established in this proceeding. Electric expense, as part of revenue, has ranged from 17% to 41% during the years 2004 to 2008 making it a significant item of cost for the Applicant and one over which the Applicant has little control. The proposed APCAC formula is further described in the testimony of Mr. O'Brien (see Exhibit MPU-T-100, pages 39-40) and is proposed as follows:

((Current Month Electric Costs / Current Month total metered TG) – \$1.0774) x 1.068205 = Rate per TG for each customer's current month bill

TG = Thousand Gallons

Applicant notes that its proposed APCAC is consistent with other power cost adjustment clauses recently established by other small water and wastewater utilities and previously approved by the Commission. See, e.g., In re Kukio Utility Co., LLC, Docket No. 2007-0198, Decision and Order No. 24016, filed on February 6, 2008 (adopting Proposed Decision and Order No. 23975, filed on January 18, 2008); In re Laie Water Co., Inc., Docket No. 2006-0502, Decision and Order No. 23554, filed on July 20, 2007 (adopting Proposed Decision and Order No. 23522, filed on June 29, 2007); and In re Puhi Sewer & Water Co., Inc., Docket No. 2006-0423, Decision and Order No. 23412, filed on May 3, 2007 (adopting Proposed Decision and Order No. 23376, filed on April 20, 2007) ("In re Puhi"). Further, similar to prior Commission rulings in establishing power cost adjustment clauses for small water and wastewater utilities, Applicant contends that the requirements set forth under Act 162, 2006 Session Laws of Hawaii (as codified as HRS § 269-16(g)) relating to automatic fuel rate adjustment clauses are not applicable for purposes of obtaining Commission approval to establish an APCAC in this proceeding. See In re Puhi.

VII.

PURCHASED FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Applicant further requests, as described in the testimony of Mr. O'Brien (see Exhibit MPU-T-100, pages 25-27), that it be authorized to establish a Purchased Fuel Adjustment Clause (PFAC). A PFAC will permit Applicant to pass on to its customers changes in the fuel expenses incurred by Applicant to pump water from Well 17. Applicant's fuel expense, an item over which Applicant has little control, has ranged from 34% to 61% as a percent of revenues during the years 2005 to 2008. The

proposed PFAC formula is further described in the testimony of Mr. O'Brien (<u>see</u> Exhibit MPU-T-100, pages 25-27):

((Current Month Fuel Costs / Current Month total metered TG) – \$2.0473) x 1.068205 = Rate per TG for each customer's current month bill

TG = Thousand Gallons

Similar to the proposed APCAC above, the proposed PFAC is consistent with pass-through clauses for other power cost adjustment clauses recently established by other small water and wastewater utilities and previously approved by the Commission.

See, e.g., In re Puhi. Moreover, the pass through-clauses for the electric companies in the State have provisions for the costs of the fuel and purchased energy used to produce kilowatt hours provided to customers, such as Applicant. Accordingly, Applicant contends that the proposed PFAC is consistent with and will provide the same functions currently enjoyed by electric utility companies in Hawaii, including Maui Electric Company, Ltd., Applicant's electricity provider.

VIII.

PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGE

Finally, Applicant hereby requests that it be authorized to amend Rule XX of its Rules and Regulations to increase its reconnection fee to \$150.00 to account for higher costs, as well as the labor and effort incurred in reconnecting a customer's water service. The proposed amendment is further described in the testimony of Mr. O'Brien.

See Exhibit MPU-T-100. A copy of the proposed amendment or replacement Tariff, marked (or "black-lined") to show changes to the language of the existing tariff, is attached hereto as Attachment 1.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND WAIVER REQUEST

In accordance with HAR §§ 6-61-86 and 6-61-88⁴ and consistent with the Commission's standard form application guidelines⁵, Applicant hereby files and incorporates by reference the following exhibits:

Exhibit MPU 1 General Description of Applicant's Property, Plant and Equipment.

Exhibit MPU 2 Financial Statements.

Schedules

- (1) Stock Authorized and Outstanding.
- (2) Year-End Common Stock Outstanding (2004 2008).
- (3) Description of Security Agreements, Mortgages, and Deeds of Trust (None).
- (4) Unaudited Financial Statements as of June 30, 2008.
- (5) Unaudited Financial Statements (6 months ending December 31, 2008).
- (6) Description of Promissory Notes, Bonds and Other Indebtedness (None).

Exhibit MPU 3 Applicant's Plant and Accumulated Depreciation.

Exhibit MPU 4 Present Rate Schedule.

Exhibit MPU 5 Proposed Rate Schedule.

⁴ As previously discussed, because Applicant has annual gross revenues of less than \$2,000,000, the requirements set forth in HAR § 6-61-88 are applicable to this Application.

⁵ <u>See</u> Commission's letter regarding "Form Application for Rate Increases by Small Utilities," dated October 29, 2007.

Exhibit MPU 6 Rate of Return Summary at Present and Proposed Rates

Pro Forma for the Test Year Ended June 30, 2010.

Exhibit MPU 6.1 Revenue Requirements Support.

Exhibit MPU 7 Income Tax Expense for Test Year Ended June 30, 2010,

Recorded at Present Rates and Pro Forma at Proposed

Rates.

Exhibit MPU 8 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes for Test Year Ended

June 30, 2010, Recorded at Present Rates and Pro Forma

at Proposed Rates.

Exhibit MPU 9 Average Rate Base 2009-2010 Test Year.

Exhibit MPU 9.1 Pro Forma Rate Base Support.

Exhibit MPU 9.2 Plant In Service.

Exhibit MPU 9.3 Accumulated Depreciation. Exhibit MPU 9.4 Depreciation Expense (Book).

Exhibit MPU 9.5 Customer Deposits.

Exhibit MPU 9.6 Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes.

Exhibit MPU 9.7 Hawaii Capital Goods Excise Tax Credit

(HCGETC).

Exhibit MPU 9.8 Working Cash.

Exhibit MPU 10 Pro Forma Historical Summary.

Exhibit MPU 10.1 Labor, Payroll Taxes & Benefits.

Exhibit MPU 10.2 Fuel & Power Expense.

Exhibit MPU 10.3 Rental/Service.

Exhibit MPU 10.4 Cost of Sales.

Exhibit MPU 10.5 Materials & Supplies.

Exhibit MPU 10.6 Not Applicable.

Exhibit MPU 10.7 Affiliated Charges.

Exhibit MPU 10.8 Professional & Outside Services.

Exhibit MPU 10.9 Repairs & Maintenance.

Exhibit MPU 10.10 Not Applicable.

Exhibit MPU 10.11 Insurance.

Exhibit MPU 10.12 Regulatory Expense.

Exhibit MPU 10.13 General & Administrative Expense.

Exhibit MPU 11 Pro Forma Revenue Summary.

Exhibit MPU 11.1 Customer Usage and Revenue

Summary.

Exhibit MPU 11.2 Customer Usage and Revenue. Exhibit MPU 11.3 Customer Usage and Revenue.

Exhibit MPU-T-100 Testimony of Robert L. O'Brien.

Attachment 1 Proposed Revisions to Rules & Regulations

Workpapers

Adjustment Reconciliation Schedules

In addition, pursuant to HAR § 6-61-92, HAR, Applicant respectfully requests that its unaudited financial statements (Exhibit MPU 2) submitted with this Application be accepted in lieu of the audited financial statements otherwise required by HAR § 6-61-75. As a small utility with annual revenues substantially less than \$2,000,000, Applicant does not have audited annual financial reports. To have one prepared for this Application would delay the filing and would unjustly impose additional financial burdens on the Applicant. Applicant notes that the Commission has previously waived the audited financial statement requirement for other similarly situated utilities. See, e.g., HOH Utilities, LLC, Docket No. 05-0024; Pukalani STP Co., Ltd., Docket No. 05-0025; KRWC Corp., dba Kohala Ranch Water Co., Docket No. 05-0334; Puhi Sewer & Water Co., Inc., Docket No. 2006-0423; Miller & Lieb Water Co., Inc., Docket No. 2006-0442; Laie Water Co., Inc., Docket No. 2006-0502; and Kukio Utility Co., LLC, Docket No. 2007-0198.

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CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE Applicant respectfully requests as follows:

- 1. That this Application be deemed a completed Application under HRS § 269-16(f) and HAR § 6-61-88;
- 2. That a public hearing be conducted on the island of Molokai to consider this Application, all in accordance with HRS § 269-12, HRS § 269-16, and HAR § 6-61-30;
- 3. That the Commission find that Applicant's present rates and charges for its customers are unjust and unreasonable and will not allow Applicant to recover all of its reasonably incurred expenses nor allow Applicant to earn a return on its prudently incurred investments in utility property;
- 4. That the Commission approve, pursuant to HRS § 269-16, the proposed increase in Applicant's rates and charges as set forth above and in Exhibit MPU 5 of this Application, and authorize Applicant to put into effect the proposed rates and charges after the date of authorization by the Commission;
- 5. That the Commission conduct this proceeding pursuant to HRS § 269-16 (f), as amended, and complete its deliberations and issue a proposed decision and order within six (6) months following the filing of a completed Application;
- 6. That the Commission approve the establishment of the APCAC as proposed by Applicant in this proceeding;
- 7. That the Commission approve the establishment of the PFAC as proposed by Applicant in this proceeding:

- 8. That the Commission approve the proposed amendment to Rule XX of Applicant's Rules and Regulations to increase its reconnection fee; and
- 9. That the Commission grant such other and further relief, including any interim rate increase, as may be just and equitable.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, March 2, 2009.

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EXHIBIT MPU 1

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

(3 Pages)

Molokai Public Utilities, Inc.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Molokai Public Utilities, Inc. ("MPU" or "Company"), is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kaluakoi Water, LLC, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kaluakoi Land, LLC, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Molokai Properties, Limited, a Hawaii corporation. The Company was incorporated in 1981 under the laws of the State of Hawaii and provides water utility services to commercial establishments, residential condominiums and single-family homes. The Company currently has approximately 220 active customers, measured by monthly meter charges.

System

As of December 31, 2008, the Company had approximately \$6.6 million dollars of gross utility plant, approximately \$5 million of which was fully depreciated. The plant consists of a production well, including a diesel engine for pumping, open and enclosed reservoirs, transmission and distribution mains, an electric pump station, a water treatment facility, meters, and other equipment necessary to deliver water to its customers.

The Company's water source is Well 17, which is operated using a gas-powered pump. The Well 17 water is delivered into an enclosed storage tank at the well site.

Water from the well storage tank is provided to Wai'ola O Moloka'i ("WOM") customers through a metered connection at Kualapuu, between Well 17 and the delivery

to the Molokai Irrigation System ("MIS") storage and transportation system. The remaining water from the well storage tank is then delivered to MIS through a metered connection where it is mixed with MIS water in an open reservoir, for which MIS charges a monthly fee for use of its facilities and retains 10% of the water delivered to its system.

MIS delivers the water to a transmission main, which delivers the water to the Mahana pumping station through a metered connection. The water is then sent to the Puunana Water Reservoir where it is blended with the Mountain Water and delivered to the MPU Treatment facilities through a metered connection. The water is then treated and delivered through a Clear-Water holding facility to the Maunaloa Reservoir and then to MPU and WOM customers as follows:

- 1. Through the Maunaloa meter
 - a. WOM customers receive the treated water
 - b. MPU customers in Moana Makani also receive treated water
- 2. Through the Kaluakoi meter
 - a. MPU customers receive treated water

EQUIPMENT

Controls for Mahana Pumps	\$ 13,925
Solar System Puukole Tanks	29,121
Maintenance Equipment & Tools	7,285
Water Meters	2,621
Caterpillar Engine Model 3412E	87,221

Application Filed March 2009 Exhibit MPU 1 Property, Plant and Equipment Witness: O'Brien

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WATER SYSTEM

Bypass Line for Moana Makani	\$	65,000
HDPE Pipe for Papohaku Ranchlands		67,802
Papohaku Line Bypass		63,701
Mahana Pump Replacement		14,100
Meter Replacements		67,073
System Acquisition Costs	4,	931,896
Puunana Treatment Plant Upgrade	1,	012,378
Well 17 Repairwork		127,003

EXHIBIT MPU 2 SCHEDULE 1

STOCK AUTHORIZED AND OUTSTANDING

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Application Filed March 2009 Exhibit MPU 2, Schedule 1 Stock Authorized and Outstanding

Witness: O'Brien

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Molokai Public Utilities, Inc.

Stock Authorized and Outstanding

December 31, 2008

<u>Description</u>	# of Shares Authorized	# of Shares <u>Issued</u>	PAR Value Per Share	Total PAR Value
Preferred Stock	None	None	N/A	N/A
Common Stock	1,000	1,000	\$1.00	\$1,000

EXHIBIT MPU 2 SCHEDULE 2

COMMON STOCK OUTSTANDING

(1 Page)

Application Filed March 2009 Exhibit MPU 2, Schedule 2 Common Stock Outstanding Witness: O'Brien

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Molokai Public Utilities, Inc.

Common Stock Outstanding

Year End Common Stock Outstanding

<u>Year</u>	<u>Owner</u>	Number of Shares Owned
2004	Kaluakoi Water, LLC [a]	1,000
2005	Kaluakoi Water, LLC [a]	1,000
2006	Kaluakoi Water, LLC [a]	1,000
2007	Kaluakoi Water, LLC [a]	1,000
2008	Kaluakoi Water, LLC [a]	1,000

[a] MPU is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kaluakoi Water, LLC, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kaluakoi Land, LLC, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Molokai Properties, Limited.

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SECURITY AGREEMENTS, MORTGAGES AND DEEDS OF TRUST

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Security Agreements, Mortgages and Deeds of Trust

NONE

EXHIBIT MPU 2 SCHEDULE 4

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BALANCE SHEET

Line		[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
#_	Description	Reference	Amount	Amount	Total
1 2 3 4 5	ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS Cash Accounts Receivable Receivable From Associates TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS			\$ 30,726 51,298	\$ 82,024
6 7 8 9	PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT Plant in Service Construction Work in Progress Accumulated Depreciation NET PLANT			6,627,683	1,219,684
10 11 12 13	OTHER ASSETS Due From Affiliates Other TOTAL OTHER ASSETS				
14	TOTAL ASSETS				\$ 1,301,708
15 16 17 18 19	LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts Payable & Accruals Accrued Taxes Customer Deposits Other TOTAL LIABILITIES			\$ 11,459 6,875 11,402	\$ 29,736
20 21 22	Due To Affiliates Net CIAC			3,392,195	3,392,195
23 24 25	Due to Shareholder STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY Common Stock Additional Paid-in-Capital		40,520		
26 27 28 29	TOTAL STOCK AND PAID-IN-CAPITAL Retained Earnings (Deficit) Beginning of Current Year Earnings (Deficit) Retained Earnings (Deficit) To Date	Year	(1,470,459) (690,284)	40,520	
30	TOTAL STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY			(2,160,743)	(2,120,223)
31	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				\$ 1,301,708

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Unaudited Financial Statement Year Ended June 30, 2008

INCOME STATEMENT

		[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
Line #	Description	Reference	Amount	Amount	Total
1	REVENUES				
2 3	Revenue			646,615	
4 5 6	Finance Charge			1,003	
7	Other			****	
8	TOTAL REGULATED REVENUES				\$ 647,618
	OPERATING EXPENSES				
9	Cost of Service			231,442	
10	Salaries & Wages			40,546	
11	Employee Benefits			14,756	
12	Payroll Taxes			3,426	
13	Electricity			202,649	
14	Fuel			403,635	
15	MIS Rental Charges			130,097	
16	Repairs & Maintenance			73,703	
17	Materials & Supplies			3,712	
18	Legal			5,452	
19	Professional Services			9,987	
20	Insurance			7,987	
21	Administrative Expense			10,184	
22	Miscellaneous Expense			5,914	
23	O & M Expense			1,143,490	
24	Depreciation Expense			143,127	
25	Taxes Other Than Income Taxes			32,851	
26	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES			<u></u>	(1,319,468)
27	Other (Expense) Income			(18,434)	
28	Interest Expense				(40.404)
29	Net Non-Regulatory Income				(18,434)
30	Net Income (Loss)				\$ (690,284)

EXHIBIT MPU 2 SCHEDULE 5

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

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Unaudited Financial Statement Six Months Ended December 31, 2008

BALANCE SHEET

		[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
Line #	Description	Reference	Amount	Amount	Total
1 2 3 4 5	ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS Cash Accounts Receivable Receivable From Associates TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS			\$ 31,029 49,256	\$ 80,285
6 7 8 9	PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT Plant in Service Construction Work in Progress Accumulated Depreciation NET PLANT			6,627,267	1,149,217
10 11 12 13	OTHER ASSETS Due From Affiliates Other TOTAL OTHER ASSETS TOTAL ASSETS				\$ 1,229,502
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts Payable & Accruals Accrued Taxes Customer Deposits Other TOTAL LIABILITIES Due To Affiliates Net CIAC			\$ 36,864 18,054 3,646,968	\$ 54,918 3,646,968
24 25	Due to Shareholder STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY Common Stock Additional Paid-in-Capital TOTAL STOCK AND PAID-IN-CAPITA Retained Earnings (Deficit) Beginning Current Year Earnings (Deficit) Retained Earnings (Deficit) To Date TOTAL STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$ 40,520 (2,160,744) (352,160)	40,520 (2,512,904)	(2,472,384) \$ 1,229,502

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Unaudited Financial Statement Six Months Ended December 31, 2008

INCOME STATEMENT

		[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
Line #	Description	Reference	Amount	Amount	 Total
	REVENUES				
1					
2	Revenue			\$ 329,851	
3					
4					
5	Late Fees			1,046	
6					
7	Other			-	
8	TOTAL REGULATED REVENUES				\$ 330,897
	OPERATING EXPENSES				
9	Cost of Service			108,557	
10	Salaries & Wages			33,296	
11	Employee Benefits			8,924	
12	Payroll Taxes			2,730	
13	Electricity			124,650	
14	Fuel			163,640	
15	MIS Rental Charges			71,490	
16	Repairs & Maintenance			14,121	
17	Materials & Supplies			4,657	
18	Legal			34,947	
19	Professional Services			5,429	
20	Insurance			2,253	
21	Administrative Expense			2,215	
22	Miscellaneous Expense			4,767	
23	O & M Expense			581,676	
24	Depreciation Expense			72,618	
25	Taxes Other Than Income Taxes			28,763	
26	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES			1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 - 1840 -	(683,057)
27	Other (Expense) Income				
28	Interest Expense				
29	Net Non-Regulatory Income				-
30	Net Income (Loss)				\$ (352,160)

EXHIBIT MPU 2 SCHEDULE 6

PROMISSORY NOTES, BONDS AND OTHER INDEBTEDNESS

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Promissory Notes, Bonds and Other Indebtedness

NONE

EXHIBIT MPU 3

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

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Plant and Accumulated Depreciation

		[1]		[2]		[3]	[4]		
					Year End			Balance	
Line _#_	Description		At 06/30/08		dditions	Retirements or Adjustment		At 06/30/09	
PLANT IN SERVICE									
1	Equipment & Facilities 3 year life	\$	1,434				\$	1,434	
2	Equipment & Facilities 5 year life		179,692		40,000			219,692	
3	Equipment & Facilities 7 year life		52,671					52,671	
4	Equipment & Facilities 10 year life		119,731		20,000			139,731	
5	Equipment & Facilities 15 year life		79,774		30,000			109,774	
6	Equipment & Facilities 20 year life		1,059,138					1,059,138	
7	Equipment & Facilities 30 year life		61,448					61,448	
8								-	
9								-	
10	TOTAL	\$	1,553,887	\$	90,000	\$ -	\$	1,643,887	
ACC	UMULATED DEPRECIATION								
1	Equipment & Facilities 3 year life	\$	1,394	\$	40		\$	1,434	
2	Equipment & Facilities 5 year life		143,754		39,936			183,691	
3	Equipment & Facilities 7 year life		32,126		7,524			39,651	
4	Equipment & Facilities 10 year life		29,463		12,973			42,436	
5	Equipment & Facilities 15 year life		8,082		6,318			14,400	
6	Equipment & Facilities 20 year life		148,554		52,957			201,511	
7	Equipment & Facilities 30 year life		6,145		2,048			8,193	
8	-							-	
9	- 121,796.998714								
10	121,796.998714 TOTAL	\$	369,518	\$	121,797	\$ -	\$	491,315	

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Plant and Accumulated Depreciation

		[1			[2]	[3]		[4]	
		Balar			Year Ende	ed 6-30-10		Balance	
Line #	Description	At 06/30/09		Additions		Retirements or Adjustment		At 06/30/10	
	NT IN SERVICE						 		
							_		
1	Equipment & Facilities 3 year life	\$	1,434				\$	1,434	
2	Equipment & Facilities 5 year life	21	9,692					219,692	
3	Equipment & Facilities 7 year life	5	2,671					52,671	
4	Equipment & Facilities 10 year life	13	9,731		10,500			150,231	
5	Equipment & Facilities 15 year life	10	9,774		4,000			113,774	
6	Equipment & Facilities 20 year life	1,05	9,138					1,059,138	
7	Equipment & Facilities 30 year life	6	1,448					61,448	
8	-		-					-	
9	-		-					-	
10	TOTAL	\$ 1,64	3,887	\$	14,500	\$ -	\$	1,658,387	
ACC	UMULATED DEPRECIATION								
1	Equipment & Facilities 3 year life	\$	1,434	\$	-		\$	1,434	
2	Equipment & Facilities 5 year life	18	3,691		8,000			191,691	
3	Equipment & Facilities 7 year life	3	9,651		7,524			47,175	
4	Equipment & Facilities 10 year life	4	2,436		14,498			56,934	
5	Equipment & Facilities 15 year life	1	4,400		7,452			21,852	
6	Equipment & Facilities 20 year life	20	1,511		52,957			254,468	
7	Treatment & Disposal		8,193		2,048			10,241	
8	2009 Addiions		-					-	
9	-		•					-	
10	TOTAL	\$ 49	1,315	\$	92,479	\$ -	\$	583,795	

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EXHIBIT MPU 4

PRESENT RATE SCHEDULE

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USER CHARGES:

1.	Deposit prior to commencement of services		\$ 50.00	
2.	Water Consumption Charge per month per 1000 gallons * Pursuant to the Temporary Rate Relief Order and the Order Granting Extension of Temporary Rate Relief, the consumption charge of \$3.18 per 1,000 gallons was temporarily increased to \$6.04 per 1,000 gallons.		\$ 6.04*	¢
	Conservation Charge per month per 1000 gallons for each 1000 gallons above base level for each customer classification		\$ 4.70*	**
	**Customer classification/base levels: Hotel West Molokai Association (Kaluakoi Villas) Ke Nani Kai Paniolo Hale Golf Course Beach Park Residential (per unit)		2,0° 2,22 2,13 1,33 12,16	Per Month 15,000 25,000 39,000 33,000 58,000 91,000 50,000
3.	Standby charge per month (per installed meter) 5/8" or 3/4" 1" 1-1/2" 2" 3" 4" 6" 8"	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	11.25 15.00 22.50 37.50 75.00 112.50 225.00 375.00	
4.	Private fire protection rates per month: Per Hydrant Per Standpipe Others: Per in diameter of feed main	\$ \$ \$	5.25 3.00 3.75	
5.	Monthly water availability charge to each owner of each lot at which a service connection is possible but has not been applied for	\$	3.00	

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\$

75.00

Actual cost, but not less than \$37.50

Contribution for tap-in (meter size / inches	6.	Contribution	for tap-in	(meter si	ze / inches)
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\$ 150.00
\$ 300.00
\$ 525.00
\$ 750.00
\$1,500.00
\$3,000.00
\$4,500.00
\$6,750.00

- 7. Reconnection Fee
- 8. Inspection fee where user installs the tap-in and meter

\$ 1.125

- 9. Bulk Water Sales per month per 1000 gallons (Kualapuu Bulk Sale Contract)
- 10. Temporary fire hydrant water use charge:

For water taken on a temporary basis from a hydrant pursuant to the prior written permission of MPU, the charge will be the highest consumption rate approved by the Commission in effect at the time of such use, plus, with regard to the need to meter the temporary water use, a meter charge equivalent to the monthly standby charge for the applicable meter size.

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EXHIBIT MPU 5

PROPOSED RATE SCHEDULE

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Proposed Rate Schedule

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MOLOKAI PUBLIC UTILITIES, INC. PROPOSED RATE SCHEDULE

USER CHARGES:

1.	Deposit prior to commencement of services	\$ 100.00
2.	Water Consumption Charge per month per 1,000 gallons	
	Phase I (Effective upon Commission Order)	\$ 8.6524
	Phase II (Effective six-months after Phase I Effective Date)	\$10.3940
3.	Standby Charge per month (per installed meter)	
	Phase I (Effective upon Commission Order) 5/8" or 3/4" 1" 1-1/2" 2" 3" 4" 6" 8" Phase II (Effective six-months after Phase I Effective Date) 5/8" or 3/4" 1" 1-1/2" 2" 3" 4" 6" 8"	\$ 16.00 \$ 21.00 \$ 32.00 \$ 54.00 \$ 107.00 \$ 161.00 \$ 322.00 \$ 537.00 \$ 19.00 \$ 26.00 \$ 39.00 \$ 64.00 \$ 129.00 \$ 193.00 \$ 387.00 \$ 387.00 \$ 644.00
4.	Private fire protection rates per month	
	Phase I (Effective upon Commission Order) Per Hydrant Per Standpipe Other	\$ 7.50 \$ 4.30 \$ 5.40

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1		Preparation, Rate Case Management and Rate Case Model Design. Prior to
2		joining Rudden, I was employed by Citizens Communications Company
3		(formerly Citizens Utilities Company) ("Citizens") from 1975 to 1999, holding
4		the positions of Vice President, Strategic Planning and Regulatory Affairs for
5		Citizens' Public Utilities Sector (1997 to 1999) and Vice President, Corporate
6		Regulatory Affairs (1978 to 1997) and Manager of Special Studies (1975 to
7		1978). From 1967 to 1975, I was employed as a controller by companies in the
8		Printing, Educational, Financial and Communications industries. Prior to 1967, I
9		was employed by Ernst & Young and attained the status of Senior Auditor after
10		four years, including two years work experience during the 5-year work-study
11		program at the University of Cincinnati. I graduated from the University in 1965
12		with a Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Accounting. I am a
13		Certified Public Accountant.
14	Q.	Have you previously testified before the Commission or other regulatory
15		commissions?
16	A.	Yes, I have testified before this Commission many times on behalf of Citizens'
17		Kauai Electric Division prior to 2000 and have presented testimony for 20 small
18		Hawaii water or wastewater utility companies since 2000. In all, I have testified
19		or presented testimony in over 200 proceedings before the state regulatory
20		commissions in Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana,
21		Montana, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Vermont and West Virginia
22		for utility operations of electric, natural gas, communications, water and sewer

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1		utility companies. I have presented testimony in company specific proceedings
2		for general rate increases, commission ordered rate reviews, purchased energy
3		pass through proceedings, initial certification (aka CPCN) proceedings,
4		acquisitions and sales of utility companies, disaster relief requirements and
5		recovery of acquisition premiums. I have testified on the subjects of all rate base
6		elements including deferred income taxes and cash working capital and on
7		revenues, rate design and rate of return. In addition, I have testified regarding all
8		operating expenses including income taxes. Finally, I have testified in generic
9		proceedings related to income taxes, purchased energy pass through clauses and
10		changes in regulation of the communications and electric industries.
11	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?
12	A.	I will testify on behalf of MPU regarding:
13		1. The Company's organization, service territory, property and other matters;
14		2. The need for the revenue increase, the amount of the overall revenue
15		increase and other rate making matters;
16		3. The filing requirements;
17		4. The revenue requirement schedules;
18		a. Overall Revenue Requirement;
19		b. Rate base and related schedules;
20		c. Revenues at present rates;
21		d. Revenues at proposed rates;
22		e. Operating expenses;

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1		f. Depreciation expense;
2		g. Income Taxes;
3		h. Revenue and Other Taxes;
4		5. Rate of Return;
5		6. Rate Design;
6		7. Automatic Power Cost Adjustment Clause;
7		8. Fuel Cost Adjustment Clause; and
8		9. Revised Rules and Regulations.
9		I will also present testimony regarding operational and other areas impacted by
10		the rate case application including the reasons or justification for rate relief.
11		
12		ORGANIZATION, SERVICE TERRITORY, AND PROPERTY
13	Q.	Please provide a brief description of the Company's service territory.
14	A.	MPU, a Hawaii corporation, is a public utility authorized by the Commission to
15		provide potable water service in the Kaluakoi area on the west end of the island of
16		Molokai, Hawaii. MPU is one of three affiliated entities under common
17		ownership by Molokai Properties Limited ("MPL"). MPU currently provides
18		potable water service to the Kaluakoi Resort, Ke Nani Kai and Paniolo Hale
19		Condominiums, Kaluakoi Villas, Papohaku Ranchlands and Moana Makani
20		subdivisions and Maui County parks. Applicant's authorized service territory is
21		set forth on Original Sheets 2A and 2B of MPU's "General Water Service Rules
22		and Regulations Covering the Supply of Water to Customers" issued on and

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1 effective as of September 22, 2003, Decision and Order No. 20459 (hereinafter 2 referred to as either "Tariff" or "Rules and Regulations"). A summary description 3 of MPU's plant or property is provided in Exhibit MPU 1 and its most recent 4 financial statements are included in Exhibit MPU 2, Schedules 4 and 5. The 5 Company's current base rates, other than its water consumption rate, were 6 approved by the Commission by Decision and Order No. 20342, issued on 7 July 18, 2003, in Docket No. 02-0371 ("D&O No. 20342"). The Company's 8 current water consumption rate was authorized by the Commission in its Order 9 Approving Temporary Rate Relief for Molokai Public Utilities, Inc. and Wai'ola 10 O Moloka'i, Inc. in Docket No. 2008-0115 issued on August 14, 2008 11 ("Temporary Rate Order") as a temporary rate effective as of September 1, 2008. 12 13 REVENUE INCREASE 14 Q. Please describe the revenue increase the Company is requesting in this 15 proceeding. 16 A. As shown on Exhibit MPU 6, line 7, column 1, the total revenues for the test year 17 ended June 30, 2010 ("TY") at present rates are \$763,408 and the revenue 18 increase required is \$562,550 as shown on line 7, column 2. This results in a 19 revenue increase of approximately 73.69 percent as shown on line 38, which will 20 provide the Company with a recovery of its TY expenses and a return on its 21 average TY rate base of 2.00 percent. 22 Q. Is this the revenue increase the Company believes it is entitled to at this time?

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1	A.	No, the Company believes it is entitled to a return on its average TY rate base of
2		8.85 percent which has recently been used for settlement of recent rate cases and
3		approved by the Commission. If the 8.85 percent return on average TY rate base
4		were used, the Company would be requesting an increase in revenues in the
5		amount of approximately \$748,000 or approximately 98 percent.
6	Q.	Why is the Company requesting a revenue increase that would provide it a return
7		on its average TY rate base of only 2.00 percent?
8	A.	The Company recognizes that the revenue increase required to recover its
9		expenses by itself is significant, and wants to mitigate the impact on its customers
10		from this filing which follows closely with the temporary rate increase authorized
11		by the Commission in the Temporary Rate Order. The use of the 2.00 percent
12		rate of return will provide a small return to the Company on its investment to
13		provide service to its customers while reducing the overall revenue requirement
14		and revenue increase required in this proceeding.
15	Q.	Is the Company proposing any other measures to mitigate the impact of this
16		revenue increase on its customers?
17	A.	Yes, the Company is also proposing to phase-in the revenue increase over two
18		periods. As described later, the Company is proposing a two stage phase-in
19		allowing six months between the initial increase and the second increase. While
20		this will mean that the Company will not receive the full revenue increase
21		requested until the last phase proposed to be effective on March 1, 2010
22		(assuming the application is processed within the six-month period for small

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1		utilities, which would make the first phase of the increase effective on or around
2		September 1, 2009), the Company again feels this is proper to allow its customers
3		to plan for the overall revenue increase.
4	Q.	Why is the Company filing this request for a revenue increase at this time?
5	A.	The Company's filing is in response to Ordering Paragraph 8 (Part III, subpart 8)
6		of the Temporary Rate Order. In addition, the Company is seeking to recover its
7		operating expenses and the 2.00 percent return on its investment for the TY ended
8		June 30, 2010.
9	Q.	Is the Company requesting a rate increase of approximately 73.69 percent for all
10		of its currently approved rates?
11	A.	Yes, it is. The Company has proposed an across the board increase in rates.
12		
13		. <u>FILING REQUIREMENTS</u>
14	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 1.
15	A.	Exhibit MPU 1 contains 3 pages which include a brief description and listing of
16		the Company's property and equipment used to provide for the pumping,
17		treatment, and distribution of potable water to the Company's customers.
18	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 2.
19	A.	This exhibit contains six schedules showing MPU's financial information.
20		Schedule 1 shows the Company's issued and outstanding stock. Schedule 2
21		presents the Common Stock outstanding as of the five years 2004 to 2008, while

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1		Schedule 3 shows that the Company has no Security Agreements, Mortgages or
2		Deeds of Trust outstanding.
3	Q.	Does the Company plan to execute any loans or other instruments of debt in the
4		near future?
5	A.	No, the Company has no plans for such actions at this time.
6	Q.	Please describe the remaining schedules in Exhibit MPU 2.
7	A.	Schedule 4 presents the unaudited financial statements for the Company's fiscal
8		year ended June 30, 2008, which is the last available complete fiscal year for
9		MPU. Schedule 5 presents the unaudited financial statements for the Company
10		for the six months ended December 31, 2008, which are the latest available.
11		Finally, Schedule 6 shows that the Company does not currently have any
12		promissory notes, bonds, or other indebtedness.
13	Q.	What is contained in Exhibit MPU 3?
14	A.	Exhibit MPU 3 contains detail related to MPU's property and equipment and the
15		related accumulated depreciation at June 30, 2008, 2009 and 2010.
16	Q.	Please describe Exhibits MPU 4 and MPU 5.
17	A.	Exhibit MPU 4 shows the present rate schedule for MPU, while Exhibit MPU 5
18		sets forth the proposed rate schedule.
19		
20		REVENUE REQUIREMENT SUMMARY
21	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 6.

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1	A.	This exhibit presents a summary of the results of operations at present and
2		proposed rates for the TY. In addition, it shows the rate of return at present rates,
3		the required revenue increase, and the resulting rate of return at the rates proposed
4		by the Company. The total revenue requirement of \$1,325,958 (line 7, column 3)
5		requires a revenue increase of \$562,550 (line 7, column 2), or approximately
6		73.69 percent (line 38), over the TY revenues at present rates of \$763,408 (line 7,
7		column 1).
8	Q.	Please describe the difference of \$7 between the calculated revenue requirement
9		increase of \$562,543 on line 37 in column 1 and the \$562,550 on line 7 in column
10		2 of Exhibit MPU 6.
11	A.	This small difference is due to the fact that the \$562,550 is calculated using
12		monthly rates that are rounded to the nearest \$0.01 and water use rates that are
13		also rounded as shown on Exhibit MPU 11 while the \$562,543 is a calculation
14		that does not require rounding by customer charge or monthly usage rate. There
15		will usually be a small rounding difference between the calculated revenue
16		requirement, the \$562,543, and the revenue determined by the monthly and
17		commodity rates, \$562,550.
18	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 6.1.
19	A.	This exhibit shows the calculation of the Gross Revenue Conversion Factor
20		("GRCF") on lines 1 to 15 that is used to establish the revenue increase required.
21		It provides for the expenses that have to be recovered from increased revenue to
22		provide the net operating income increase required to have the opportunity to

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achieve the rate of return determined reasonable in this proceeding. As shown on 2 lines 2 to 9, these expenses include bad debts, revenue taxes and income taxes. Each of these expenses will vary with revenue levels. As shown on line 10, after each of those expenses are deducted from revenue, there is 57.9783 percent of 4 revenue remaining for net income. This is used to determine the GRCF shown on 5 6 line 15 of 1.72478. As discussed in connection with the income tax calculation on 7 Exhibit MPU 7, the GRCF used on Exhibit MPU 6, line 36, of 1.70 is slightly lower than the GRCF calculated on line 15 of Exhibit MPU 6.1 because of the 8 9 operating loss for the Company at present rates in the TY. Please describe Exhibit MPU 7. 10 Q. 11 Exhibit MPU 7 shows the income tax expense calculation at present and proposed A. 12 rates. The Company has used the statutory rates applied to the taxable income in 13 its calculations. The income tax calculation is shown in columns 5 to 7 for the 14 revenue at present rates, the revenue increase and the revenue at proposed rates, 15 respectively. While each of the three calculations uses the taxable income 16 appropriate for the heading and the statutory rates, there is a small difference 17 between the total of the income taxes at present rates plus the income taxes on the 18 revenue increase and the calculated income taxes at proposed rates. Line 14 19 shows the state income taxes at present rates of (\$30,889) in column 5 and 20 \$32,454 for the revenue increase in column 6. The net total of these two 21 calculated state income tax amounts is \$1,565 which is \$489 higher than the

calculated state income taxes at proposed rates of \$1,076 shown in column 7 on

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line 14. This is due to the fact that a greater portion of the taxable income for the rate increase (columns 3 and 6) is included in the higher tax brackets than in the calculation of revenues at proposed rates (columns 4 and 7). It is the negative taxable income at present rates which creates the need for the larger revenue increase to attain the target rate of return at proposed rates. A similar difference is reflected in the calculation of the Federal income tax on line 22. The correct income tax expense at proposed rates is the \$4,583 shown on line 23 in column 7 of Exhibit MPU 7. This is the same amount shown on Exhibit MPU 6, line 27, column 3. In order to achieve this income tax expense at proposed rates and the target rate of return of 2.00 percent, a GRCF of 1.70 (Exhibit MPU 6, line 36, column 1) is used in place of the GRCF on Exhibit MPU 6.1, line 15 of 1.72478. Q. Is the use of a GRCF that is slightly different from the calculated one reasonable for the calculations in this proceeding? A. Yes, I believe it is. The objective of the GRCF is to provide for the income taxes at proposed rates to achieve the rate of return found reasonable in this proceeding. This is necessary because of the anomaly created by the negative earnings at present rates, and provides an accurate calculation for the net operating income at proposed rates. In this instance, the GRCF on Exhibit MPU 6, line 36 is adjusted to attain the rate of return of 2.00 percent used to determine the revenue requirement and rate increase. The income tax calculation at proposed rates provides confirmation that the GRCF is correct. Q. What is contained on Exhibit MPU 8?

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1	A.	This exhibit shows the calculation of taxes on revenue pro forma at present and
2		proposed rates.
3	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 9?
4	A.	Exhibit MPU 9 presents a summary of the rate base elements at June 30, 2009 and
5		2010 and the average rate base for the TY. The average rate base for the TY is
6		\$992,860 as shown on line 14, column 3. Each of these elements will be
7		discussed in connection with the separate schedules for each of the rate base
8		elements in Exhibit MPU 9.
9	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 9.1.
10	A.	This exhibit shows the summary rate base calculations at June 30, 2009 and
11		June 30, 2010 with pro forma adjustments that are the basis for the summary
12		schedule presented in Exhibit MPU 9.
13	Q,	Please describe Exhibit MPU 9.2.
14	A.	Exhibit MPU 9.2 presents the plant-in-service detail at June 30, 2008 and for the
15		years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010 used to support the data presented on Exhibit
16		MPU 9.1. MPU's plant additions budgeted for the fiscal year 2009 are shown in
17		column 3 on lines 24, 28, and 30. These include an addition to the backwash
18		system (line 24), meter reading equipment and meters (line 28) and replacement
19		vehicles (line 30). The total budget for the meter reading equipment and meters
20		of \$50,000 was split 60 percent for MPU and 40 percent for Wai'ola O Moloka'i
21		("WOM") which will be included in the rate base additions for WOM. The
22		vehicle additions are part of a replacement program where the vehicle additions

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- for 2009 are included as part of MPU plant and the vehicle additions for 2010 are
- 2 included as part of WOM plant additions for 2010. MPU's plant additions
- budgeted for the fiscal year 2010 are shown in column 7 on lines 25 through 27,
- 4 and line 29.
- 5 Q. Please describe Exhibit MPU 9.3.
- 6 A. This exhibit shows the accumulated depreciation for the plant-in-service as shown
- 7 on line 32. The amounts for the beginning and end of the test year are in columns
- 8 6 and 10, respectively.
- 9 Q. What is contained on Exhibit MPU 9.4?
- 10 A. Exhibit MPU 9.4 contains the calculation of depreciation expense. The
- depreciation expense for the test year is calculated in column 8 using the plant
- balance in column 3 and the plant lives shown in column 4. The additions to
- plant in the years ended June 30, 2009 and June 30, 2010 reflect one half year
- depreciation in the year of acquisition. The total test year depreciation expense is
- 15 \$92,479 as shown on line 32 in column 8.
- 16 Q. Please describe Exhibit MPU 9.5.
- 17 A. This exhibit shows the Customer Deposits for the periods ending December 31.
- 18 2008 and 2009.
- 19 Q. What is contained on Exhibit MPU 9.6?
- 20 A. Exhibit MPU 9.6 shows the calculation of the accumulated deferred income taxes
- 21 ("ADIT") for the test year.
- Q. What is ADIT?

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1	A.	The ADIT represents the Federal and State income tax on the difference between
2		the depreciation expense used in the calculation of income taxes on the
3		Company's income tax return ("tax depreciation") and the depreciation expense
4		calculated for financial statement purposes ("book depreciation"). In most
5		instances, the ADIT results in a reduction from rate base to reflect the fact that tax
6		depreciation results from accelerated depreciation methods and shorter
7		depreciable lives than those used for book depreciation.
8	Q.	Does MPU file a separate Federal or State income tax return?
9	A.	No, it does not. MPU is included in a consolidated Federal and State income tax
10		return filed by its parent company.
11	Q.	What is the ADIT used in the rate base calculation for MPU?
12	A.	The Company did not reflect any amount of ADIT in the calculation of the rate
13		base for MPU. As shown on Exhibit MPU 9.6, line 27 in columns 8 and 11, the
14		tax depreciation is less than the book depreciation reflected on line 28 which does
15		not result in any deferred income taxes and therefore no ADIT reduction to rate
16		base.
17	Q.	What is contained on Exhibit MPU 9.7?
18	A.	Exhibit MPU 9.7 shows the calculation of the Hawaii Capital Goods Excise Tax
19		Credit ("HCGETC") at the beginning and end of the TY, in columns 8 and 11
20		respectively. The unamortized amounts at June 30, 2009 and 2010 of \$207,371
21		and \$191,264 (line 22, columns 8 and 11) respectively are included in the

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1		determination of the average TY rate base on Exhibits MPU 9.1 (line 9,
2		columns 1 and 3) and 9 (line 8, columns 1 and 2).
3	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 9.8.
4	A.	This exhibit shows the calculation of the working capital using the formula
5		method which results in a working capital amount for the TY of \$96,649. This
6		method, which is used by the Commission for small utilities, uses one-twelfth of
7		the operating expenses as a surrogate for the working capital as shown on lines 17
8		to 19 of Exhibit MPU 9.8.
9	Q.	What is working capital?
10	A.	Working capital represents the funds that a utility must have to pay for the service
11		it provides to its customers before it receives payment from the customers for that
12		service.
13	Q.	How can working capital be calculated?
14	A.	There are several methods that can be used to determine the working capital
15		requirement for a utility. First, the method that is used mostly for small utilities,
16		such as MPU, is the formula method. Under this method, a factor is applied to
17		expenses and the result is used as an addition to rate base to represent the funds
18		provided by the investor. Another method is to conduct a lead-lag study which
19		measures the time it takes a customer to pay its bill for service and compares that
20		to the time it takes the utility to pay for providing the service. This process is
21		somewhat time consuming and generally not used for the smaller utilities.

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1	Q.	Does the formula method provide a reasonable amount of working cash for MPU
2		in this proceeding?
3	A.	Yes, it does.
4	Q.	What is contained on Exhibit MPU 10?
5	A.	Exhibit MPU 10 presents a summary of the revenue and expense as recorded for
6		the years 2004 to 2008 and pro forma for 2010 at present rates. The Company has
7		provided only total revenue for the years 2004 to 2008 because the Company did
8		not maintain its historic records to easily provide the detail shown in Exhibits
9		MPU 11 to 11.2 with regard to revenue or customers and usage data. However, as
10		described in connection with Exhibit MPU 11.2 and the related workpapers, the
11		Company has provided individual customer usage detail for the years ended
12		June 30, 2007 and June 30, 2008 and has prepared a comparative schedule
13		showing the monthly usage data for those years.
14	Q.	Has MPL changed its procedures for charging MPU and the other affiliated
15		entities' utility operations for operating expenses incurred on behalf of those
16		companies recently?
17	A.	Yes, it has. Prior to December 2008, MPL recorded some of the expenses
18		required to provide service to the customers of MPU and the other utilities owned
19		by MPL on the accounting records of MPL, and then charged portions of those
20		expenses to each of the affiliated companies including the utilities monthly. The
21		monthly charges to MPU and other utility companies were included as Costs of
22		Sales on the MPU and other utilities' accounting records as appropriate. The

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1		charges for MPU are shown for the years 2004 to 2008 on Exhibit MPU 10,
2		line 20 in columns 1 to 5. The Cost of Sales expenses for the TY, as shown in
3		column 6 on line 20, have been reduced to zero for this charge and the separate
4		expenses have been included on the schedule specifically associated with that
5		expense. For example, as shown on Exhibit MPU 10.1, the Salaries and Wages
6		("S&W") previously included in the Cost of Sales are reflected on line 4 for the
7		years 2006 to 2008 and included in the pro forma amount for the TY on line 2.
8		For example, the TY total of \$145,601 which is calculated on Workpaper MPU
9		10.1 includes both the direct S&W shown on line 2 and the S&W included in the
10		Cost of Sales as shown on line 4 for the years 2006 to 2008. The TY numbers
11		include all S&W expense for the services provided in the past. This is also true
12		for the charges for Employee Benefits on lines 8 to 12 and line 14, and for Payroll
13		Taxes on lines 17 to 19 and line 21 of Exhibit MPU 10.1.
14	Q.	Why did MPL change its procedures for charging these expenses to the utility
15		operations?
16	A.	Since MPL ceased its non-utility operations on the island of Molokai, there was
17		no reason to charge certain costs to a centralized location and then distribute them
18		to utility and non-utility operations. All expenses are currently being directly
19		charged to each company with current operations on Molokai. If a charge needs
20		to be allocated, the allocation is completed before the charge is made to the
21		specific utility company. This procedure will reflect each expense in its category
22		and no expense in the Cost of Sales account.

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1	Q.	How will you show the historic expenses that were included in the Cost of Sales
2		as part of the expenses for the TY?
3	A.	As shown on Exhibit MPU 10.4, I have segregated the Cost of Sales expense
4		amounts and listed each of the major expense categories. The charges for these
5		expense categories for the years 2004 to 2008 are shown in columns 2 to 6. There
6		is no charge included for the TY in column 7. Column 7 reflects the exhibit
7		number reference where those charges are included. Each of the charges will be
8		discussed in connection with the category expense schedule, such as for example,
9		S&W, Insurance and Communications.
10	Q.	Please describe what is contained on Exhibit MPU 10.1.
11	A.	Exhibit MPU 10.1 presents the S&W expense, payroll tax expense and employee
12		benefits expense for the years ended June 30, 2004 to 2008 and for the TY ended
13		June 30, 2010. The calculations of each expense for the TY are contained in
14		Workpaper MPU 10.1.
15	Q.	Please describe the charges from MPL as shown on Exhibit MPU 10.1.
16	A.	The S&W expense charged directly on MPU is shown on line 2 as Direct S&W
17		for the years 2004 to 2008 and for the TY in column 7. The S&W charged to
18		MPU through the Cost of Sales category is shown on line 4 for the years 2004 to
19		2008. There is no S&W charged to MPU through the Cost of Sales category in
20		the TY because all of the S&W is charged direct, as shown on Workpaper
21		MPU 10.1. The Employee Benefits charged direct are shown on lines 8 to 12
22		with the Employee Benefits charged through Cost of Sales shown on line 14. As

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with the S&W, there are no Employee Benefit charges in Cost of Sales for the TY on line 14, because they are all included in the direct charges on lines 8 to 12 as calculated on Workpaper MPU 10.1. Finally, the Payroll Taxes reflect the same treatment on lines 17 to 21. The charges through Cost of Sales are reflected on line 21 only for the historic years and the TY reflects all direct charges for Payroll Taxes as supported by the calculations on Workpaper MPU 10.1.

7 Q. Please describe Workpaper MPU 10.1.

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This workpaper contains three pages. Page 1 shows the calculation of the total S&W expense for the test year and the distribution of the total to MPU, WOM and MOSCO, a wastewater utility affiliated with MPU ("MOSCO"). Page 2 shows the distribution of the payroll taxes and employee benefits charged to MPU. The calculation of each of the components for the test year is shown on page 3. The test year S&W calculation, shown on lines 11 to 19, is based on the employees currently working on the three operating utilities (MPU, WOM and MOSCO) distributed based on the employees' time sheets in 2008. The percent assigned to each utility for each employee is shown in columns 5, 6 and 7 and the resulting S&W distribution is shown in columns 8, 9 and 10 for MPU, WOM and MOSCO respectively. The S&W for the test year was increased by 3.0 percent to allow for a wage increase on July 1, 2009. In addition, provision was made for a new employee hire effective July 1, 2009 who will work on needed maintenance projects for each of the three utilities. The total S&W to MPU for the test year is

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1		\$145,601 as shown on line 19 in column 8 on Workpaper MPU 10.1 and on
2		Exhibit MPU 10.1 on line 7, column 7.
3	Q.	Is the pro forma TY amount for S&W for MPU reasonable?
4	A.	Yes, the Company believes that the employee levels in 2009 and the TY are
5		required for the provision of safe and reliable service to the customers of MPU,
6		WOM and MOSCO and are accurately distributed based on the calculations
7		contained in Workpaper MPU 10.1. As shown on Exhibit MPU 10.1, line 7, the
8		total S&W has increased slightly over the total payroll for the year 2007, before
9		the reorganization was implemented. The total S&W for the TY is approximately
10		\$12,000 over the 2007 total S&W which is equal to an annual increase of
11		approximately 3.0 percent.
12	Q.	Please describe the calculations of the test year payroll taxes and employee
13		benefits.
14	A.	Those calculations are shown on page 3 of Workpaper MPU 10.1 by employee
15		and by type of tax or benefit. Lines 1 to 14 show the calculations for the year
16		ended June 30, 2009 and lines 16 to 30 show the calculations for the TY. The
17		Company has included an increase of 5.0 percent (line 15) for the medical and
18		dental costs. The amounts by employee for the TY shown on lines 22 to 29 of
19		page 3 were brought forward to page 2 on lines 1 to 8 and distributed to MPU on
20		lines 10 to 17 using the percent by employee shown in column 1 on page 2. The
21		totals on line 18 of page 2 were brought forward to Exhibit MPU 10.1, column 7.

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1		The TY total of \$64,264 is shown on page 2 of Workpaper MPU 10.1, column 11,
2		line 18 and also on Exhibit MPU 10.1 column 7, line 23.
3	Q.	Why have the medical and dental charges shown on Exhibit MPU 10.1 on line 8
4		in column 7 for the TY increased?
5	A.	This is due to the reorganization which has shown that the total benefit costs have
6		not been correctly allocated to the utility operations in the past. As shown on
7		page 3 of Workpaper MPU 10.1, the monthly medical premiums for each
8		employee are being directly charged to the utility operations for the employees
9		working on utility operations. The TY charges reflect this direct charge while the
10		prior years reflected a corporate allocation and, as shown by the TY calculations,
11		did not correctly charge the utilities.
12	Q.	What is the total pro forma expense for the TY?
13	A.	As shown on Exhibit MPU 10.1, line 24, column 7, the total expense for S&W,
14		Employee Benefits and Payroll Taxes is \$209,865 which is reasonable for the TY
15		for MPU.
16	Q.	How were the electric and fuel expenses shown on Exhibit MPU 10.2
17		determined?
18	A.	Exhibit MPU 10.2 presents the electric and fuel expense for the historic and TY
19		periods. The electric expense that was directly charged to MPU is shown on
20		line 1 and the electric expense included in the Cost of Sales is shown on line 2
21		and is also shown on Exhibit MPU 10.4, line 9 in columns 4 to 6. The TY
22		amount for electric expense is calculated on pages 1 and 2 of Workpaper MPU

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1 10.2 which consists of 5 pages in total. Pages 3 to 5 of Workpaper MPU 10.2 2 show the data for the fuel expense calculation for the TY. 3 Q. Referring to Workpaper MPU 10.2, pages 1 and 2, please describe how the 4 electric expense for the test year was determined. 5 As shown on Workpaper MPU 10.2, page 2, the Company used the historic A. 6 energy usage and costs to develop the pro forma amounts for the TY. The data in 7 columns 1 to 4 show the data for the 500 hp pump at Mahana, which represents 8 approximately 80 percent of the total electric costs. The data has shown a 9 decrease in kWh usage from July 2006 to December 2008, which supports the 10 decrease in customer usage described by the Company in connection with TY 11 water use and revenue calculations for the TY. Line 42 shows the TY estimates 12 for kWh (columns 2, 6 and 10) and also the cost per kWh from the December 13 2008 billings (columns 4, 8 and 12). These amounts are shown on Workpaper 14 MPU 10.2, page 1. Referring to page 1, estimates for the four meter locations are 15 shown on lines 1 to 10 and the total pro forma expense for the TY, \$231,067, is 16 shown on line 11 and brought forward to Exhibit MPU 10.2 in column 7 on line 1. 17 Lines 12 to 14 of page 1 of Workpaper MPU 10.2 show the calculation of the 18 expense per kWh that will serve as the base for the Automatic Power Cost 19 Adjustment Clause ("APCAC"). 20 Is the Company proposing to implement an APCAC in this proceeding? Q. 21 A. Yes. The APCAC will be described later in my testimony.

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1	Q.	Please describe the calculation of the fuel expense shown on line 4 of Exhibit
2		MPU 10.2.
3	A.	Workpaper MPU 10.2 shows the calculation of the fuel expenses on pages 3 to 5.
4		Page 3 is a summary of the fuel costs based on the pro forma water sales to
5		customers and the related pumping expense at Well 17 which produces the water
6		to be sold to customers. Pages 4 and 5 show the detail of the fuel purchased from
7		July 2006 through December 2008 including the gallons of fuel delivered, the cost
8		of each delivery, the monthly water produced by Well 17 and the number of
9		gallons sold to customers.
10	Q.	Please describe page 3 of Workpaper MPU 10.2.
11	A.	Page 3 of Workpaper MPU 10.2 uses the pro forma sales to customers,
12		138,000 thousand gallons ("TG") as the start for the calculation of the fuel costs
13		for the TY. Line 2 shows an increase in water required to provide for the lost and
14		unaccounted ("L&U") water, which is based on the 12 months ended March 2007.
15		The rate in column 2, 15.8 percent, represents the L&U as a percent of water
16		consumed by customers shown on line 1. This is equivalent to the 9.3 percent of
17		water produced which is the normal presentation relationship.
18	Q.	Why do you use two percents for the L&U?
19	A.	Since we are determining the amount of production we need based on customer
20		usage estimates, we use the percent relationship to the customer usage to
21		determine the L&U which is shown on line 2. However, because the historic
22		percent of L&U is based on the production, the second calculation is required for

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1		that comparison. For example, the TY estimate for L&U of 21,804 TG is
2		15.8 percent as a percent of water consumption and is 9.3 percent as a percent of
3		production.
4	Q.	What is a reasonable level for the L&U for a water utility?
5	A.	An L&U percent in the 10 percent range, based on production, is normally an
6		acceptable level.
7	Q.	Please continue with your description of the calculations on page 3 of
8		Workpaper MPU 10.2.
9	A.	Lines 4 and 5 show the water usage estimated for the treatment process. Line 6
10		presents the water that remains for customer usage after the change in storage
11		levels, the retention of water by the Molokai Irrigation System ("MIS") and the
12		water delivered to Kualapuu of 190,992 TG. Line 7 shows that we have assumed
13		no change in the storage levels for this calculation. Lines 9 and 10 show the
14		retention by MIS, which is a portion of the agreement with MIS for the use of
15		their facilities requiring a 10 percent retention of the water delivered to their
16		system. Finally, lines 12 to 14 show the water delivered to Kualapuu. The total
17		water production required to provide 138,000 TG for MPU's customers is
18		233,813 shown on line 15. Based on the average relationship between the gallons
19		pumped from Well 17 and the gallons of fuel delivered for the period July 2006 to
20		December 2008 as shown on pages 4 and 5, column 10, the pro forma estimated
21		of gallons of fuel required is 77,158. This is the result of multiplying the
22		33.0 percent per TG of water as shown on lines 15 to 17 of page 3. Finally, the

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1		Company has used the most recent price in December 2008 of \$3.0010 to
2		determine the TY fuel cost of \$282,524 as shown on lines 17 to 19 of page 3
3		which is also shown on Exhibit MPU 10.2, line 4.
4	Q.	Please describe pages 4 and 5 of Workpaper MPU 10.2.
5	A.	These pages show the fuel delivered, cost of fuel, water production from Well 17,
6		and water sales to customers by month for July 2006 to December 2008. The
7		average price per gallon of fuel is shown in column 4. The water pumped by
8		month is shown in column 8 and the customer usage shown in column 12. The
9		ratio of gallons of fuel per TG of water pumped is shown in column 10.
10	Q.	Is the Company requesting that the Commission establish a pass through clause
11		for the purchased fuel expense in addition to the APCAC?
12	A.	Yes, we are requesting that the Commission establish a Purchased Fuel
13		Adjustment Clause ("PFAC"), which would permit the Company to pass-through
14		increases or decreases in fuel prices to its customers in a manner similar to the
15		changes in electric costs.
16	Q.	Please describe the PFAC the Company is proposing to establish for the fuel
17		expense incurred to pump water from Well 17?
18	A.	The Company is requesting that the Commission establish a PFAC for the
19		changes in its fuel prices which would use the base cost per TG shown on line 20
20		of page 3 of Workpaper MPU 10.2.
21	Q.	Please describe how the PFAC calculation would be made on a monthly basis.

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- The Company would calculate its fuel purchases for a month and divide that total 1 A. 2 by the gallons of water billed to its customers for the same month. The resulting 3 current month cost per TG would be compared to the base cost per TG established 4 in this proceeding of \$2.0473 as shown on page 3 of Workpaper MPU 10.2 at line 20. The difference between the current month's rate per TG would then be 5 6 multiplied by the revenue conversion factor of 1.068205 and the resulting rate per 7 TG would be applied to each customer's bill for the subsequent month. For 8 example, if the Current Month Fuel Cost is \$2.0000 per TG, the change would be 9 a decrease of \$0.0473 per TG which would be multiplied by the gross-up factor of 10 1.068205 and the resulting \$0.0525 would be applied to reduce the next monthly 11 customer bill. The monthly formula will be: ((Current Month Fuel Costs / TG's) - \$2.0473) * 1.068205).
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- 13 Q. What is the 1.068205 factor?
- 14 A. The 1.068205 factor is the multiplier necessary for the Company to charge 15 customers for the PFAC and provide for the tax on gross revenues.
- 16 Q. Is this pass-through concept similar to the pass-through clauses for other power 17 cost adjustments in place for utilities and the changes in electric costs they incur?
- 18 A. Yes it is. The only difference is that the actual costs being adjusted are incurred 19 by the Company from a supplier of the commodity, which is not a regulated 20 company.
- 21 Q. Is there any precedent for an adjustment clause of this nature?

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1	A.	Yes. The pass-through clauses for the electric companies in the state have
2		provisions for the use of costs of the fuel and purchased energy used to produce
3		the kWh provided to customers, such as MPU. The Company believes the PFAC
4		will provide the same functions currently enjoyed by the electric utility
5		companies.
6	Q.	How does this proposed PFAC differ from the APCAC being proposed by the
7		Company?
8	A.	It does not differ in purpose. The PFAC, which is the same as the APCAC (i.e.,
9		pass-through of changes in the charges for the commodity used to provide service
10		to customers) will allow the Company to pass through changes in costs associated
11		with this major expense component to customers. The only difference is that it is
12		based on the costs of fuel delivered by the Company's fuel contractor, which is
13		similar to the source of the fuel components of the ACPAC clauses currently used
14		by electric utilities in Hawaii, including Maui Electric Company, MPU's
15		electricity provider.
16	Q.	Why do you think this pass-through PFAC should be adopted?
17	A.	This PFAC would allow the Company to recover increases in fuel costs or pass
18		through decreases in fuel costs used to pump water to service customers back to
19		customers as those fuel costs change. As shown on Workpaper MPU 10.2,
20		pages 4 and 5 in column 4, those costs have increased substantially from
21		July 2006.
22	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 10.3.

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1 A. This exhibit shows the annual cost for the services provided to MPU by the 2 Department of Agriculture related to the transportation of water from Well 17 to 3 the Company's Mahana pump station. The total costs for this service is the 4 \$12,038 monthly charge plus the 10 percent retainage of water described in 5 connection with Workpaper MPU 10.2, page 3. The annual amount related to the monthly charge of \$12,038 is the \$144,456 shown in column 7 of 6 7 Exhibit MPU 10.3. 8 What is contained on Exhibit MPU 10.4? Q. 9 A. Exhibit MPU 10.4 shows the Cost of Sales expenses for the years 2004 to 2008 10 and also shows which schedules those costs have been included with in this 11 presentation in column 7, TY 6/30/10. As discussed earlier, MPL has closed its 12 non-utility operations on the island of Molokai and has changed its accounting 13 procedures to reflect direct charges for all expenses associated with the operations 14 of the utilities. The old procedures included some direct charges to specific 15 expenses accounts, such as S&W, and some distributions of charges through a 16 Cost of Sales category. MPL has eliminated the Cost of Sales procedure and. 17 since December 2008, is charging expenses directly to the operating utility, MPU, 18 WOM or MOSCO. In order to correctly reflect these expenses in the TY and to 19 ensure they are not double counted or missed, column 7 shows the related exhibit 20 where these costs have been calculated for the TY. Each expense category will be 21 discussed in connection with those exhibits.

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Please explain Exhibit MPU 10.5.

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1	A.	This exhibit shows the historical expense for Materials & Supplies for the years
2		ended June 30, 2004 to 2008 and pro forma for June 30, 2010 for the direct
3		charges on lines 1 to 4 with a TY amount of \$14,010 shown in column 7 on line 5
4		These TY amounts were based on an average of the expenses for 2004 to 2008,
5		which should be used for the TY. The Materials & Supplies that were included in
6		the Cost of Sales are shown on lines 6 and 7 and reflect a TY amount of \$71,574
7		using an average for the three years 2006 to 2008. These two components result
8		in a total TY pro forma expense of \$85,583 shown on line 10 in column 7.
9	Q.	What is contained on Exhibit MPU 10.6?
10	A.	Exhibit MPU 10.6 is not used at this time.
11	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 10.7.
12	A.	Exhibit MPU 10.7 shows the historical and pro forma amounts for affiliated
13		charges for the years ended June 30, 2004 to 2008. The TY amount reflects the
14		Company's historic level of charge for administrative services of \$800 per month.
15	Q.	Is that level commensurate with the administrative services currently being
16		provided by MPL at this time?
17	A.	No, it is not. The Company believes that the current level of support provided by
18		employees of MPL to MPU is greater than those provided in prior years and
19		should be increased. However, the Company does not have historic data to
20		support the current increased level of services for the TY and therefore is
21		maintaining the historical charge level instead of increasing it at this time.

What is contained on Exhibit MPU 10.8?

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1	A.	Exhibit MPU 10.8 shows the legal, professional and outside service expenses pro
2		forma for the TY. An average of the historical level for legal expense directly
3		charged is shown on line 1 with a TY amount of \$4,786. An average of the
4		historical level for other professional services is shown on line 2 with a TY
5		amount of \$6,526. Both of these amounts are based on the average of the
6		expenses for the years ended June 30, 2004 to 2008. Professional services
7		expenses that were included in the Cost of Sales are shown on line 6 with a TY
8		amount of \$2,824 based on a three year average of the historic amounts.
9	Q.	Does the Company expect to incur legal and other professional expenses
10		regarding current litigation and also for potential proceedings associated with the
11		production and transmission of water supplies?
12	A.	Yes, it does.
13	Q.	Please briefly describe those activities or proceedings.
14	A.	The Company is currently involved in a proceeding before the Commission
15		brought by the County of Maui in Docket No. 2008-0116. In addition, the
16		Company could become involved in a permitting proceeding involving a water
17		use permit for Well 17 for withdrawing water from the Water Management Area,
18		as well as Department of Agriculture permitting related to the completion of a
19		transportation agreement through the MIS, which moves the water produced at
20		Well 17 to the Mahana pump station to be delivered to the Company's customers.
21	Q.	Has the Company actually begun expending any funds related to these permitting
22		activities and other litigation?

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1	A.	Yes, the Company has been making expenditures regarding the County of Maui
2		litigation.
3	Q.	Does MPU have any estimate of the total costs for these activities?
4	A.	Yes. The Company believes that its expenditures on these proceedings will
5		escalate through and after the TY and is seeking to obtain Commission
6		authorization to defer these expenses for recovery in future rate cases.
7	Q.	What is the total estimated expense for those activities and what is the current
8	,	estimate of the total litigation time?
9	A.	The total expense estimate for all three cases ranges from approximately \$645,000
10		to \$970,000 with an estimate of 1 to 4 years for completion of these cases,
11		assuming there is no appeal or other related proceeding.
12	Q.	Please describe the procedure the Company is recommending in this proceeding.
13	A.	The Company is requesting that the Commission authorize the Company to defer
14		these expenses as they are incurred, and permit the Company to seek recovery of
15		the deferred expenses in a subsequent rate case.
16	Q.	What is the pro forma TY expense for the legal and professional expense?
17	A.	It is \$14,137 shown on line 9 in column 7 on Exhibit MPU 10.8.
18	Q.	Please describe what is presented on Exhibit MPU 10.9.
19	A.	This exhibit shows the historical and pro forma amounts for repairs and
20		maintenance ("R&M") expenses directly charged to MPU on lines 1 and 2 and the
21		amounts included in the Cost of Sales charges to MPU on line 5. Line 1 shows
22		the R&M expense for the utility plant and operating systems which have varied

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1 significantly over the last five years. Based on the current R&M requirements at 2 MPU, the Company believes that an average of these five years, \$51,928 shown 3 in column 7 should be used for the TY. The Company would also use the same 4 five-year average for the vehicle maintenance, which results in an annual R&M 5 expense for vehicles of \$3,228 as shown on line 2. The R&M charges from MPL 6 which had been included in the Cost of Sales for the years 2006 to 2008 have 7 been included for the TY in the amount of \$10,657 as shown on line 5 with a total 8 R&M expense, pro forma for the TY of \$65,812. 9 Q. What is contained on Exhibit MPU 10.10? 10 Exhibit MPU 10.10 is not used. Α. 11 Q. Please describe Exhibit MPU 10.11. 12 A. This exhibit shows the amount of insurance expense allocated to MPU for the 13 years 2004 to 2008 and the summary of the pro forma amount for the TY. 14 Q. How were the allocations determined for the TY? 15 A. The TY expenses were based on estimates for the 2010 TY. 16 Please describe Exhibit MPU 10.12. Q. 17 A. This exhibit reflects the total regulatory expense and the annual amortization for 18 the rate case expense. The expense for each phase was estimated for Rate Case 19 Consulting, Legal, Travel and Other. The estimates for each expense element 20 were based on the experience of the regulatory consultant and attorneys retained 21 by the Company to assist in processing this application. These costs will be

updated and replaced with actual expenses and updated estimates as the case

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1		proceeds. In the event the parties reach a settlement in this case and there is no
2		need for the Hearings and Briefing phase, those estimated costs should be
3		removed during the determination of the settlement revenue requirement.
4	Q.	What is the total estimated regulatory expense for this rate case?
5	A.	The total estimate for expenditures for this application, as shown on line 25 of
6		Exhibit MPU 10.12, is \$165,000. If there is no need for hearings in this case, the
7		estimated total would be \$125,000 which would remove the \$40,000 estimated on
8		lines 17 to 24 for the Hearings and Briefing phase. However, those amounts
9		could increase or decrease based on the actual and updated expenses as processing
10		of this application proceeds.
11	Q.	What is the amortization period recommended by the Company to recover the
12		regulatory expense?
13	A.	The Company is recommending a three-year amortization period. The Company
14		plans to file more frequent rate cases to avoid significant rate increases.
15	Q.	What is the amount of amortization that should be included in expense in this
16		proceeding?
17	A.	That amount is \$55,000 as shown on Exhibit MPU 10.12, line 27.
18	Q.	What is contained on Exhibit MPU 10.13?
19	A.	This exhibit contains the general and administrative expenses, estimated at \$5,183
20		for the direct charges for the TY as shown on line 11. These expenses include
21		travel expenses, equipment rental, office supplies, communications, postage, etc.,
22		and are based on the level of costs in prior years and are shown for each of the

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1		expense categories separately. Lines 12 to 16 show the administrative expense
2		amounts that were included in the Cost of Sales from Exhibit MPU 10.4 which
3		totals \$8,135 for the TY. The Company believes that the total of these expenses
4		as shown on line 18 in column 7 of \$13,318 is reasonable for the TY.
5	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 11.
6	A.	This exhibit contains a summary of the Company's annual revenues at present and
7		proposed rates for the monthly customer charge and for the customer usage
8		charges. The revenue increase percent, determined on Exhibit MPU 6 is shown
9		on line 1 in column 6. This is the factor used to increase the present rates shown
10		in column 3 to the proposed rates in column 6. Lines 2 to 9 reflect the revenue
11		from the monthly customer charges at present rates by meter size in columns 3 to
12		5 and proposed rates in columns 6 to 8. The revenue from customer usage is
13		shown on lines 11 and 12 at present and proposed rates. The percent increase
14		factor for the usage charge shown on line 10 of 73.659 percent, is slightly
15		different from the 73.688 percent shown on line 1 because of the rounding of the
16		monthly customer charge. This slight difference in the percent establishing the
17		proposed rates permit full recovery of the required revenue levels.
18	Q.	How were the customer bill and usage levels for the TY determined?
19	A.	The customer billing and usage data was summarized by month for the period
20		July 2007 to December 2008 as shown by the data in Exhibit MPU 11.1. This
21		data was used to calculate the number of customers at each meter size and the

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1		usage for all MPU customers and also for the water delivered to WOM for its
2		customers through the connection at Kualapuu.
3	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 11.1.
4	A.	Exhibit MPU 11.1 contains 2 pages summarizing the customer usage for each 6
5		month period ending December 2007, June 2008 and December 2008. The data
6		supporting these summaries is contained in Exhibit MPU 11.2.
7	Q.	Did the Company use the customer usage by meter size to project the usage for
8		the TY?
9	A.	No, it did not. The Company summarized the customer usage into two categories.
10		First, as shown on lines 4 to 6, which is the meter providing water to WOM at the
11		Kualapuu connection, the Company used the average usage for those three six
12		month periods which resulted in a total of 26,000,000 gallons for the TY as shown
13		on line 4 in column 5. The Company then summarized the usage for the
14		remaining customers and calculated the TY amount in total. This is shown on
15		lines 31 to 33 of page 2.
16	Q.	Why did the MPU group all of the remaining usage into one category for the TY
17		usage?
18	A.	Effective with the September 1, 2008 temporary increase, all of the remaining
19		customers were billed at one rate no matter what meter size was being used by the
20		customer. The Company did not need to maintain records of water use by meter
21		size and therefore grouped all of the customer usage, other than the usage at the
22		Kualanuu connection, into one number

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1	Q.	How did you calculate the TY usage for the remaining customers?
2	A.	As shown on line 31 of page 2 of MPU Exhibit 11.1, there has been a consistent
3		decline in usage for each 6-month period in both total gallons used (line 31 from
4		95.6 million gallons to 77.4 million gallons to 59.2 million gallons) and in usage
5		per customer per month (line 33 from 78,000 gallons to 46,000 gallons). The
6		Company used the actual usage for the six months ended December 2008,
7		doubled that and reduced it by five percent. (59,200,000 gallons * 2 * 95% =
8		112,000,000 gallons). The Company believes that this estimate is reasonable for
9		the TY for all customers other than the Kualapuu connection.
10	Q.	How did you project the number of customers for the TY?
11	A.	Lines 37 to 47 show the summary of customer bills for the same 6 month periods
12		by meter size. Since the customer levels have been relatively stable the Company
13		has retained the number of customers at a level equal to those billed during the six
14		months ended December 2008.
15	Q.	How were these TY totals used in the determination of the revenue at present and
16		proposed rates?
17	A.	The data from Exhibit MPU 11.1 was used on Exhibit MPU 11 to calculate the
18		revenues at present and proposed rates.
19	Q.	Please describe Exhibit MPU 11.2.
20	A.	Exhibit MPU 11.2 contains 4 pages which show the monthly customer water use
21		and customer bills by meter size for the period July 2007 to December 2008 that

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1		was used for the summaries on Exhibit MPU 11.1 and the calculation of revenue
2		at present and proposed rates.
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4		RATE OF RETURN
5	Q.	Please describe the rate of return ("ROR") used by the Company in this filing.
6	A.	The Company believes a ROR of at least 8.85 percent would be appropriate based
7		on a review of Commission approvals of recent settlements in other water and
8		wastewater utility general rate case applications. However, as discussed earlier in
9		my testimony, the Company is requesting revenue levels based on a ROR of
10		2.00 percent.
11	Q.	Please briefly describe why the Company is requesting a ROR of 2.00 percent
12		when the Company believes a ROR of 8.85 percent is reasonable.
13	A.	The Company wanted to mitigate the impact on its customers from this filing
14		which follows closely with the temporary rate increase authorized by the
15		Commission in the Temporary Rate Order. The use of the 2.00 percent rate of
16		return will provide a small return to the Company on its investment to provide
17		service to its customers while reducing the overall revenue requirement and
18		revenue increase required in this proceeding.
19	Q.	What is the Company's position regarding reductions in revenue requirement
20		which would not be large enough to increase the ROR so that it exceeds the
21		8.85 percent the Company believes is reasonable?

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1 A. The Company's position is that any changes in the Company's revenues, expenses 2 or rate base that would affect the ROR should not reduce the Company's revenue 3 requirement until those changes plus the requested revenue increase of \$562,550 4 exceeds the 8.85 percent ROR. For example, if this case is settled and the 5 regulatory expense amortization for the Hearings and Briefing stage is eliminated, 6 the Company's TY expenses would be reduced by \$13,333 and the 2.00 percent 7 ROR would be increased to 2.8 percent. This procedure would not penalize the 8 Company for its willingness to set its proposed rates at a lower ROR than is 9 supportable in Hawaii regulatory proceedings and allow it to have a revenue 10 increase that covers the Company's operating expenses and a small return on its 11 investment. 12 13 RATE DESIGN 14 Q. Have you prepared a cost study to establish the proposed rates and revenue 15 distributions? 16 A. No. I have not. The Company believes its existing rate structure which includes a 17 monthly fixed customer charge and a flat rate for water consumption is a 18 reasonable structure at this time. 19 Q. Is the Company proposing a phase-in of the requested revenue increase? 20 A. Yes, it is. 21 Q. Please describe the revenue increase phase-in the Company is proposing.

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1 A. The Company is proposing a two-stage phase-in. The first phase would recover 2 60 percent of the total revenue increase, which is equal to an increase of 43.1 percent above revenues at present rates. The second phase, which would be 3 4 effective six months after the initial increase, would be for the remainder of the 5 increase, \$219,409 6 Q. Why has the Company selected these increase amounts for the phase-in? 7 A. The Company's proposal will permit the Company to recover most of its cash 8 expenses from the revenue increase in the first phase and then recover the 9 remaining expenses and the small return on investment from the remaining 10 increase in the second phase. This will provide the customers with a staged 11 increase, reducing rate shock and still provide the Company with sufficient 12 revenues to cover most of its cash operating expenditures from the initial increase. 13 14 AUTOMATIC POWER COST ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE 15 Q. Please describe the Company's proposal to establish an automatic power cost 16 adjustment clause (APCAC) to reflect changes in the cost of electric power from 17 the electric costs used to set base rates in this proceeding. 18 A. The Company proposes to establish an APCAC to recover increases or decreases 19 in electric costs incurred by the Company in providing water service to its 20 customers that uses the Company's actual electric costs and actual water sales to 21 customers. This procedure uses the electricity costs and the water usage for the 22 month to calculate the electricity cost per thousand gallons ("EC/TG") for a

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1		current month ("Current Month Electric Cost"). The Base Electricity Cost, shown
2		on Exhibit MPU 10.2 of \$1.67440 per thousand gallons ("TG") is then deducted
3		from the monthly Current Month Electric Cost and the resulting amount is
4		multiplied by the gross-up factor to provide for the revenue taxes and that
5		resulting amount per TG is multiplied by each customer's monthly usage. For
6		example, if the Current Month Electric Cost is \$1.60000 per TG, the change
7		would be a decrease of \$0.07440 per TG which would be multiplied by the gross-
8		up factor of 1.068205 and the resulting \$0.07947 would be applied to reduce the
9		next monthly customer bill. The monthly formula will be:
10		((Current Month Electric Costs / TG's) - \$1.07740) * 1.068205).
11	Q.	What is the 1.068205 factor?
12	A.	The 1.068205 factor is the multiplier necessary for the Company to charge
13		customers for the APCAC and provide for the tax on gross revenues.
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15		REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS
16	Q.	Is the Company proposing any changes to its Rules and Regulations?
17	A.	Yes. In addition to proposed revisions to the Company's existing water rate
18		schedules to implement the proposed rate changes requested, as described in the
19		Application and Attachment 1, the Company proposes to amend or revise
20		Rule XX of its existing Rules and Regulations or Tariff to increase its service
21		reconnection fee to \$150.00.
22	Q.	What is the reason for this change?

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1	A.	The existing reconnection fee is \$50.00 for reconnection during regular working
2		hours or, \$75.00 for reconnection at other than regular working hours. Both
3		amounts are too low to sufficiently allow the Company to recover its costs of
4		having to disconnect and then reconnect service. The proposed increase to
5		\$150.00 is intended to assist in defraying the costs associated with disconnecting
6		and reconnecting a customer's utility service.
7	Q.	How did you come up with this new \$150.00 charge?
8	A.	The \$150.00 charge was estimated by the Company to include the time for an
9		operations employee to physically visit the customer's premises twice, once to
10		disconnect and again to reconnect service plus the time for administrative
11		personnel to handle the necessary paperwork associated with the disconnection
12		and reconnection activity. In addition, the Company believes that the
13		reconnection could occur at a time when overtime rates would apply for the
14		operations personnel.
15	Q.	How many customers have been charged the existing reconnection fee in the past
16		year?
17	A.	To date, including during this past year, no customers of the Company have had
18		to be reconnected. However, in light of the recent economic downturn, the
19		Company recognizes the possibility that such reconnections may occur in the
20		future. Accordingly, the Company is seeking to increase this charge to an amount
21		that will at least allow the Company, as stated above, to partially offset the costs

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1		that would be incurred as a result of disconnecting and reconnecting a customer's
2		utility service.
3	Q.	Have you provided any calculations to show the increase in revenue that this
4		increase in charges would provide?
5	A.	No. Because no reconnections have occurred, no revenues have been collected
6		for this charge. In addition, because the Company does not know that any
7		reconnections will occur in the future, no revenues from this fee have been
8		included for test year purposes.
9	Q.	Does this complete your testimony at this time?

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Yes, it does.

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ATTACHMENT 1

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO RULES & REGULATION

(2 Pages)

CHECK LIST SHEET

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (C) To signify a changed regulation.
- (D) To signify a discontinued rate or regulation.
- (I) To signify an increase in the rate shown.
- (N) To signify a new rate or regulation.
- (R) To signify a reduction in the rate shown.
- (T) To signify a change in or addition of text, but not change in rate or regulation.
- (L) To signify material relocated from or to another part of tariff, but no change in rate or regulation.

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The bonding jumper shall be installed in such a manner, as not to interfere with the installation or removal of any of the Company's facilities.

- 3. No grounding of direct current system to any portion of the water system shall be permitted.
- 4. No grounding other than as provided in paragraph 2 hereof shall be made to any portion of the water system without the Company's written approval.
- 5. The Company will not be responsible for the maintaining of a continuous metallic water piping system and reserves the right, without liability to public utility electric companies, electric consumers, or any other agency or individual, to create a physical break in its Service Connections and Mains, or to incorporate non-metallic pipes and appurtenances in its system and to make joints of any materials, without regard to their efficiency as conductors of electricity and without giving notice.
- 6. Whenever grounding fault occurs and causes electrical current to flow into the pipeline system, the Customer shall have the corrections made immediately. Corrections not made will be subject to discontinuance of water service to the Customer.

RULE XIX RESALE OF WATER

Unless specifically agreed upon by the Company in writing, the Customer shall not resell any water received by him from the Company.

RULE XX RESTORATION OF WATER SERVICE

A <u>labor and service</u> charge will be made of \$150.00 will be made for reinstalling the meter (if necessary) and reconnection and/or turning on water of service. during regular working hours or, \$75.00 for reconnection of service at other than regular working hours when the Customer has requested that the reconnection be made at other than regular working hours

RULE XXI INGRESS TO AND EGRESS FROM CUSTOMER'S PREMISES

Any authorized officer, employee, agent, or representative of the Company bearing proper credentials and identification shall have the right of ingress to

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	2#4		2,837.08	56.00	209.30	6,672.00	756.00	3,240.39	203.97	196.48	89.01	14,260.22
3 Employee#3	* # * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *		2,203.81	56.00	209.30	10,008.00	372.00	2,517.10	158.44	152.62	67.09	15,746.42
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7 Employee #7	2#3		2,294.54	56.00	209.30	10,008.00	i	232.45	164.97	158.90	71.99	13, 196. 15
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12 Employee#3	3#3	45%	892	25	94	4,504	167	1,133	71	69	31	7,086
13 Employee # 4	*#4	45%	362	25	94	4,504	167	1,099	69	29	30	7,017
14 Employee#5	##	95%	1,770	53	199	809'6	353	2,022	127	123	99	14,211
15 Employee#6	¢#6	70%	2,593	39	147	2,335	260	2,962	186	180	81	8,783
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41	Total	\$ 250,911	\$ 19,195	\$ 392	\$ 1,465	\$ 57,167	\$ 3,230	\$ 19,605	\$ 1,380	\$ 1,329	\$ 602	\$ 104,365
\$	Percent increase in Benefits for Test Year Ended 6-30-10					5.0%	5.0%					
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8	Total	\$ 279,240	\$ 21,362	\$ 448	\$ 1,674	\$ 70,056	\$ 4,140	\$ 22,010	\$ 1,536	\$ 1,479	\$ 670	\$ 123,376
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		ELECTRIC CHARG	ES					
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Maha	ına 500 HP pump							
1	Pro Forma kWh usage			600,000				
2	Total Cost Per kWh		\$	0.31240				
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3	Pro Forma Expense				\$	187,440		
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				70.000				
4	Pro Forma kWh usage			70,000				
5	Total Cost Per kWh		\$	0.44712				
6	Pro Forma Expense				\$	31,298		
Palaa	<u>ıu</u>							
7	Pro Forma kWh usage			25,000				
8	Total Cost Per kWh		\$	0.47360				
9	Pro Forma Expense				\$	11,840		
Maha	ına 200 HP pump							
10	Pro Forma Expense				\$	489		
11	Total Pro Forma Electric	Expense					\$	231,067
12	Total Pro Forma Electric	Expense	\$	231,067				
13	Total kWh			695,000				

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[16]	TOTAL	Total Charge	40.677		19,637	15,115	11,542	13,258	14,614	13,851	17,017		\$ 190,162	8,803	19,576 20,339	19,499	17,885	11,774	13,743	20,417	16,990	17,696	- 1	966 707	17,439	22,913	14,825	16.244	10,985	1	*	i i	ı		\$ 102,454				
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[4]	HP pump	Total Charge	6		170	169	169	169	169	170	169 169		\$ 1,900	886	eg g	8 8	38	38	4.	- 4	44	44		\$ 4/3	41	4	4 4	14	41						\$ 244		\$ 489		\$ 489
[13]	Mahana 200 HP pump	KW∺ Usage											*											* *************************************											Land der Greek Antonia der Greek ausgeber der Greek				
[12]		Charge Per KWH	•																									0.503200	0.473600						0.492920	0.473600		0.473600	
[11]		Total Charge	PALAAU (previously charged to MPL)																									2,005	1,005						\$ 3,010		\$ 17,050		\$ 11,840
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[8]		Charge Per KWH	MPL)																								0.00	0.327.340	0.447120						0.486910	0.447120		0.447120	
[2]	ana	Total	PUUNANA-Pole 11 (previously charged to MPL)																								777	3.550	2,692						\$ 11,686		\$ 35,770		\$ 31,298
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[3]	HP pump	Total Charge		4 19,500	19,467	14,946	11,373	13.089	14,445	13,681	16,848		\$ 188,262	8,765	19,538	19.461	17,847	11,736	13,702	20,001	16,950	17,655	į'	\$ 202,123	17,398	22,872	14,784	10,648	7,248						\$ 87,514		\$ 203,060		\$ 187,440
[2]	Mahana 500 HP pump	KWH Usage	i i	79,200	79,200	61,600	47,200	61,600	68,000	92,600	80,800		830,400	37,600	81,600	82.400	74,400	44,800	49,600	2,40	000'09	59,200	48,000		50,400	61,600	37,600	34,000	23,200						244,000	650 000		900,000	
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		Description	LARGEPOWER RATE	7/26/06	9/25/06	10/25/06	11/24/06	1/24/07	2/23/07	3/24/07	4/25/07	6/25/07	Total 6-30-07	7125/07	8/24/07	10/25/07	11/26/07	12/26/07	1/25/08	2/26/08	4/24/08	5/27/08	8/25/08	Total 6-30-08	7/25/08	8/26/08	9/25/08	11/25/08	12/26/08	1/25/09					Total 6-30-09	Pro Forma 6-30-09	Pro Forma Expense	Pro Forma for TY 42 Usage and Rate	Expense
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Line #	Description	Or Reference	Amount	Sub-Total		Total
	Description	TOTOTOTOTO	Annount	(000) gallons	*	10(4)
	Usage at Kaluakoi					
1	Kaluakoi pro forma test year water usage			138,000		
2	Lost & Unaccounted Water - Based on Billed Water Usage		15.8%	21,804		
3	Percent based on Total Production	9.3%				
4	Water Treatment Water Usage Percent of Customer Usage		22.6%	31,188		
5	Percent based on Total Production	13.3%				
6	Water before Storage and MIS & Kualapuu			190,992		
	Change in Storage					
7	Change in Storage Facilities			-		
8	Total befor MIS and Kualapuu			190,992		
	MIS Retention					
9	MIS Retention at 10% of Water delivered to MIS		11.111%	21,221		
10	Percent based on Water Delivered to MIS	10.0%				
11	Water delivered to MIS			212,213		
	Kualapuu Usage					
12	Kualapuu pro forma test year water usage			18,000		
13	Lost & Unaccounted Water - Based on Billed Water Usage		20.00%	3,600		
14	Percent Based on Total Water delivered to Kualapuu	16.7%		***************************************		
15	Production Requirement from Well 17			233,813		
16	Gallons of fuel ratio to gallons of water produced			33.00%		

17	Gallons of Fuel Required for Test Year Production					77,158
18	Cost per gallon				\$	3.66162
19	Pro forma Fuel Cost				\$	282,524
20	Fuel Cost per 000 gallons sold	L 19 / L 1		\$ 2.0473		

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[15] [14] [13] 64% 53% (000) Gallons Billed To Customers 11,019 [12] Cost Per (000) gallons Water Pumped [3]/[8] [11] Gallon of Fuel Per (000) gal Water Pumped [2]/[8] [10] 0.35 Nov-07 Dec-07 Aug-07 Sep-07 Oct-06 Jan-07 Mar-07 Apr-07 May-07 Jun-07 [6] Water Pumped 25,313 30,272 350,907 17,915 34,986 19,799 20,651 41,050 34,054 28,457 26,676 31,914 31,258 20,531 Thousand [8] 9247 9247 9247 9256 9264 9264 9366 94 439 439 350 350 350 350 350 440 440 440 4440 Gallons Used Per Day [2]/[6] [7] [1] Days from Last Delivery [6] # of Days Between Fuel Delivery [3] Diff Prior Delivery Cost 0.078 (0.025) 0.000 (0.000) 0.000 0.000 (0.125) 0.000 0.000 (0.000) 0.000 (0.000) (0.000) 0.000 (0.000) 0.000 0.000 (0.000)(0.000) (0.000) (0.000) (0.000) (0.000) (0.000) (0.000) (0.162 (0.000) (0.162 (0.000) Change in Cost Per Gallon 0.000 [2] 2.992 3.0044 3.0044 3.0044 3.0046 3.180 3.180 3.180 3.180 3.253 3.253 2.835 2.893 2.991 2.998 2.898 2.288 2.288 2.763 2.764 2.765 [2]/[1] 2.992 Cost Per Gallon 11,211 11,211 11,495 11,415 11,398 10,938 10,964 10,956 12,350 11,792 11,628 11,831 11,822 12,016 12,028 12,046 12,046 12,586 12,598 12,607 13,221 11,406 10,935 10,927 10,932 10,949 10,957 10,968 10,939 10,928 10,934 10,934 10,945 10,934 7,905 13,984 11,421 11,421 \$ 348,071 Total Invoice Cost [3] 122,666 3,953 3,954 3,957 3,957 3,957 3,952 2,553 3,962 3,965 3,965 3,965 3,965 3,965 3,965 3,965 3,965 3,965 Fuel Gallons Delivered [3] 12 mos end 6/07 Description 9/22/06 9/29/06 10/10/06 11/11/06 12/14/06 12/18/06 12/18/07 1/11/07 1 10/8/07 10/15/07 11/5/07 11/14/07 12/11/07 7/18/06 7/18/06 8/3/06 8/10/06 8/22/06 8/29/06 4/15/07 4/20/07 5/2/07 5/10/07 5/18/07 77/23/07 77/30/07 8/16/07 8/27/07 4/4/07 6/11/07 9/17/07 9/27/07 9/7/07 Ξ Line 32

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[11]	Cost Per (000) gallons Water Pumped	[3]/[8]	0.98							1.29				1.28
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[10]	Gallon of Fuel Per (000) gal Water Pumped	[2]/[8]	0.31							0.33				0.33
[6]	mped			Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	3nn-08		Juf-08 Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08 Nov-08 Dec-08	
[8]	Water Pumped Thousand Gallons Mc		185,588	30,800	30,910	34,344	33,367	25,554	23,137	178,112	23,329 24,674	23,236	17,629 18,725 12,022	48.376
[7]	Gallons Used Per Day	[2]/[6]		361 397 498 360	228 360 440	283 496	305 305 33	189	395 165					
[6]	# of Days Between Fuel Delivery	[1] Days from Last Delivery		£6 & £	520	v 4 0	4 ¢ (7.5	24 24					
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[4]	Cost Per Gallon	[2]/[1]		3.523 3.523 3.523 3.553	3.523	3.763	3.763	4.503	4.794		4.918 4.898 4.742	4.430	3.477 3.662	
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[3]	Total Invoice Cost	Resemble control (communication)	\$ 182,684	13,984 14,002 14,023 14,078	13,636	14,890 14,943	14,905	17,835	17,835	229,271	19,421	17,475	16,725 16,681 13,787 14,500	\$ 61,692
[2]	Fuel Gallons Delivered	Pp Income and the property of	57,937	3,969 3,974 3,980 3,965	3,870	3,957 3,957 3,971	3,961	3,861	3,961 3,951	59,364	3949 3952 3952	3945	3957 3965 3960	15,844
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VERIFICATION

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MICHAEL H. LAU, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is an attorney for Applicant in the above proceeding; that the officers of Applicant are not present within the City and County of Honolulu; that he has read the foregoing Application, and knows the contents thereof; and that the same are true of his own knowledge except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and that as to those matters he believes them to be true.

MICHAEL H. LAU

This 1 page Verification to Molokai Public

Utilities, Inc.'s Application dated March 2, 2009 was subscribed and sworn to before me on

March 2, 2009 in the First Circuit, State of Hawaii by Michael H. Lau

Notary Public, State of Hawaii

JENNIFER LEE

Printed Name of Notary Public

My commission expires:

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this date, copies of the foregoing document were duly served on the following party, by having said copies delivered as set forth below:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE and CONSUMER AFFAIRS Division of Consumer Advocacy 335 Merchant Street Room 326 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Dated: Honolulu, Hawaii, March 2, 2009.

MICHAEL H. LAU YVONNE Y. IZU SANDRA L. WILHIDE

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