BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. ) DOCKET NO. 01-0444
)

For Approval to Commit Funds in )

Excess of $500,000 for )

Item P0000064, the Waiau Fuel )
Pipeline Project. )

ORDER NO. 19720

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KAREN HIGASHI
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ORDER

I.

By an application filed on November 6, 2001, HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. (HECO) requests commission approval to commit an estimated $26.9 million for Item P0000064, relating to its Waiau fuel pipeline project. HECO makes its request in accordance with Section 2.3.g.2 of General Order No. 7, Standards for Electricity Utility Service in the State of Hawaii.

Copies of the application were served on the Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Consumer Advocate). By Order No. 19185, filed on February 4, 2002, the commission granted HECO’s request to extend the applicable General Order No. 7, Section 2.3.g.2, deadline, from February 4, 2002 to May 6, 2002. By Order No. 19340, filed on May 8, 2002, the commission granted HECO’s request to extend the applicable General Order No. 7, Section 2.3.g.2 deadline, from May 6, 2002 to July 5, 2002. By Order No. 19527 filed on August 20, 2002, the commission granted HECO’s request to extend the applicable General Order No. 7, Section 2.3.g.2 deadline,
from May 6, 2002 to August 15, 2002 and from August 15, 2002 to September 30, 2002. By Order No. 19684, filed on September 30, 2002, the commission extended the applicable General Order No. 7, Section 2.3.g.2 deadline, from September 30, 2002 to October 7, 2002. By Order No. 19697, filed on October 8, 2002, the commission extended the applicable General Order No. 7 Section 2.3.g.2 deadline from October 7, 2002 to October 31, 2002.

Since the General Order No. 7 Section 2.3.g.2 deadline is October 31, 2002, the commission will suspend HECO's application in order to provide additional time for the commission to complete its investigation and act on the matter. Moreover, to assist in the efficient and timely disposition of this application, we also find it necessary to hold a scheduling conference at the commission's office in Honolulu, commencing at 10:30 a.m. on October 24, 2002.

II.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that:

1. HECO's request to commit an estimated $26.9 million for Item P0000064, relating to its Waiau fuel pipeline project, is suspended until further order of the commission.

2. HECO and the Consumer Advocate shall attend a scheduling conference on October 24, 2002 at the commission's office in Honolulu commencing at 10:30 a.m.
DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 23rd day of October, 2002.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Wayne H. Kimura, Chairman

By Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

By (RECUSED) Gregg J. Kinkley, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kevin M. Katsura
Commission Counsel
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 19720 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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