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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of )  
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HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. )  
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For Approval of Changes in its )  
Depreciation Rates and Approval of )  
Vintage Amortization Accounting. )  
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DOCKET NO. 02-0391

ORDER NO. 20057

Filed March 6, 2003  
At 8:00 o'clock A.M.

Karen Higashi  
Chief Clerk of the Commission

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

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ORDER

I.

By an application filed on October 31, 2002, HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. (HECO) seeks commission approval to change its depreciation rates and approval of a procedure change to vintage amortization accounting for certain accounts.

HECO served copies of the application on the Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Consumer Advocate). By its Preliminary Statement of Position, filed on November 20, 2002, the Consumer Advocate advises that it has questions and concerns regarding the relief sought by HECO in the instant application. The Consumer Advocate further states that it will participate in the proceeding and will state its position to the commission upon completion of its investigation. No persons moved to intervene or participate in this proceeding.

## II.

To assist in the efficient disposition of the instant proceeding, we find it necessary to establish issues, procedures, and a schedule. Thus, we conclude that HECO and the Consumer Advocate should meet informally to formulate the issues, procedures, and schedule with respect to this proceeding, to be set forth in a stipulated prehearing order that shall be submitted for commission approval within 30 days from the date of this order. In the alternative, if the parties are unable to stipulate to such order, we conclude that each party shall submit a proposed prehearing order for the commission's consideration within 30 days from the date of this order.

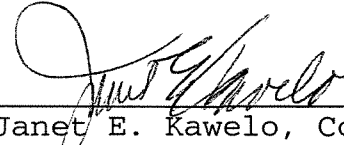
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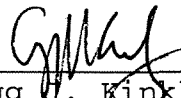
THE COMMISSION ORDERS that HECO and the Consumer Advocate shall meet informally to formulate the issues, procedures, and schedule with respect to this proceeding, to be set forth in a stipulated prehearing order. The stipulated prehearing order shall be submitted for commission approval within 30 days of this order. If the parties to this docket are unable to stipulate to such an order, each party shall submit a proposed prehearing order for the commission's consideration by the same date.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 6th day of March, 2003.

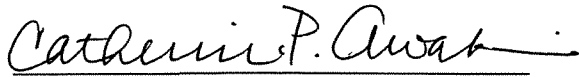
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By   
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By   
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

By   
Gregg V. Kinkley, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Catherine P. Awakuni  
Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20057 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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DATED: March 6, 2003