BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application)

of

DOCKET NO. 02-0401

KAUAI ISLAND UTILITY COOPERATIVE

For Approval to Commit Funds in Excess of \$500,000 for the Construction of a 12.47 kV/ 6.9 kV Distribution Line from the) Kekaha Switchyard to the Puuka Pele Substation

ORDER NO. <u>20080</u>

Filed March 14, 2003 10:30 o'clock A .M.

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ATTEST: A True Copy KAREN HIGASHI

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I.

By an application filed on November 14, 2002, KAUAI ISLAND UTILITY COOPERATIVE (KIUC or Applicant) requests commission approval to include \$2,958,900 for the construction and rebuild of the distribution line from the Kekaha Switchyard to the Puuka Pele Substation. Application 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. 20019, filed on February 12, 2003, the commission granted Applicant's request for an extension of time, until March 14, 2003 of Section 2.3.g.2 requirement that the commission render a decision within 90 days after the filing of

an electric utility's application. By letter dated March 10, 2003, Applicant requests an extension of time, until April 4, 2003, of Section 2.3.g.2 requirement that the commission render a decision within 90 days after the filing of an electric utility's KIUC makes its request in order to provide additional time for the Consumer Advocate to complete investigation and to issue its statement of position.

Upon review, the commission finds good cause to grant KIUC's request to extend the applicable Section 2.3.g.2 deadline.

II.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that KIUC's request to extend the applicable General Order No. 7, Section 2.3.g.2, deadline from March 14, 2003, to April 4, 2003, is granted.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 14th day of March, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

H. Kimura, Chairman

By Kawelo,

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gregg J. Kinkley, Commissioner

Kevin M. Katsura 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. 20080 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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