BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION RECEIVED

OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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In the Matter of the Application of) HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC.)

For Approval to Commit Funds in Excess of \$500,000 for Item H0000850, HELCO's Puueo Hydroelectric Plant Rehabilitation Project.

DIV. OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY
DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF HAWAII
DOCKET NO. 03-0222

<u>ORDER NO. 20408</u>

August 29, 2003

ATTEST: A True Copy KAREN HIGASHI Chief Clerk, Public Utilities

Commission state of Hawaii.

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<u>ORDER</u>

I.

By application filed on August 18, 2003, HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC. ("HELCO") requests commission approval to commit approximately \$3,450,000 to undertake and complete the Puueo Hydroelectric Plant Rehabilitation project ("project"). HELCO makes its request in accordance with Section 2.3.g.2 of General Order No. 7 ("G.O. No. 7"), Standards for Electric Utility Service in the State of Hawaii.

Copies of the application were served on the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Division of Consumer Advocacy ("Consumer Advocate"), a statutory party to this proceeding.

Pursuant to Section 2.3.g.2 of G.O. No. 7, the 90-day deadline for commission action on HELCO's application is on or about November 14, 2003. Accordingly, the commission will instruct HELCO and the Consumer Advocate (collectively, the

¹See Hawaii Revised Statutes § 269-51.

"parties") to submit a stipulated procedural schedule for the commission's review and consideration.²

II.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that, within twenty days from the date of this order, the parties shall submit to the commission a stipulated procedural schedule, incorporating their agreed upon schedule with respect to this proceeding. If they are unable to stipulate to such a schedule, each party shall submit a proposed procedural schedule for the commission's consideration by the same date.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 29th day of August, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

A▶ Michael Azama

Commission Counsel

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By Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

²In the event intervenor or participant status is later granted to any interested person, the commission will amend the procedural schedule accordingly, if necessary.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20408 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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Karen Higashi

DATED: August 29, 2003