BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.

For Approval to Commit Funds in Excess of \$500,000 for Item P0000423, Kailua Road Underground Conversion.

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I.

Α.

Introduction

The commission filed Decision and Order No. 20473 on October 1, 2003, approving HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.'s ("HECO") request for approval to undertake and complete its Kailua Road Underground Conversion project ("Proposed Project"). On October 10, 2003, HECO wrote to the commission to request an extension of time until October 29, 2003 to file a motion for clarification of Decision and Order No. 20473. HECO states that its regulatory staff is experiencing a "heavy workload," and advises that the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Division of Consumer Advocacy does not object to HECO's request for extension of time.

Discussion and Finding

Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-61-137 provides:

A motion seeking any change in a decision, order, or requirement of the commission should clearly specify whether the is for reconsideration, prayer rehearing, further hearing, ormodification. suspension, vacation, or a combination thereof. The motion shall be filed within ten days after the decision or order is served upon the party, setting forth specifically the grounds on which the movant considers the decision or order unreasonable, unlawful, or erroneous. (Emphasis added).

We shall treat HECO's motion for clarification as a motion that must also be filed within ten days of the decision and order it seeks to clarify, pursuant to HAR § 6-61-137.

HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1) provides the commission with the discretion, for good cause shown, to enlarge a period by which a required act must be completed, if a written request is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed. The commission finds good cause in this instance to enlarge the deadline by which HECO must submit its motion for clarification to the commission.

II.

<u>Order</u>

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that HECO's request for an extension of time until October 29, 2003 to file its motion for clarification is granted, pursuant to HAR \S 6-61-23(a)(1).

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DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 23rd day of October, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20588 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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