BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. ) DOCKET NO. 03-0260
)
For Approval to Commit Funds in )
Excess of $500,000 for Item Y00021, )
New Kuahua Substation. )

ORDER NO. 20657

Filed NOV. 20, 2003
At 8:00 o'clock A.M.

Karen Hipol
Chief Clerk of the Commission
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For Approval to Commit Funds in Excess of $500,000 for Item Y00021, New Kuahua Substation.

ORDER

The commission ordered HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. ("HECO") and the DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY ("Consumer Advocate") (collectively, the "Parties") to submit a stipulated scheduling order or, if unable to stipulate, separate proposed scheduling orders for the commission's review and approval in Order No. 20597, filed on October 28, 2003 ("Order"). The Parties were required to make the filing within 20 days of the date of the Order, or by November 17, 2003.

HECO, on behalf of the Parties, requests that the November 17, 2003 deadline to file the stipulated scheduling order in this docket be extended until December 3, 2003, ("Extension Request") in a letter filed on November 14, 2003. The Parties make their request to "permit additional time to discuss a schedule for this proceeding."

Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-61-23(a)(1) allows the commission, at its discretion, to enlarge the period of time for any act that is required to be done on a showing of
good cause when a written request for the enlargement of time is filed before the expiration of the originally prescribed period.

The rationale provided for the Parties' Extension Request appears reasonable, thus, we find good cause to grant the Extension Request, under HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1), and conclude that the Extension Request should be approved.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that the Extension Request, filed on November 14, 2003, is approved.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 20th day of November, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

By Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ji Sook Kim
Commission Counsel
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20657 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: November 20, 2003

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