BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)
HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. )
HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC.)
MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED )
For Approval of a Temporary )
Modification of General Order No. 6) 
Requirements Relating to Clearances) 
of Service Drops Above Metal Roofs.)

DOCKET NO. 05-0176

ORDER NO. 21971

Filed August 5, 2005
At 8 o'clock A.M.

Karen Higashi
Chief Clerk of the Commission

ATTEST: A True Copy
KAREN HIGASHI
Chief Clerk, Public Utilities
Commission, State of Hawaii.
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The commission instructs HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC., HAWAI ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC., MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED (collectively, "Applicants"), and the DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY ("Consumer Advocate") (collectively, the "Parties"), to submit a stipulated procedural schedule for the commission's review and consideration. Alternatively, in the absence of a formal procedural schedule, the Parties shall, at a minimum, identify their agreed-upon deadlines for the Consumer Advocate and Applicants to file their position and rebuttal statements, respectively, and notify the commission accordingly.

Applicants request the commission's approval of temporary modifications to Rule 54.8.B(4)(b), Table 10, of General Order No. 6, Rules for Overhead Line Construction ("G.O. No. 6"), to allow for a lower minimum clearance for
service drops, 0-300 volts, above buildings with metal roofs. Applicants seek the temporary modification until G.O. No. 6 is revised and converted to the Hawaii Administrative Rules format.

Applicants: (1) make their request pursuant to Section I, Rules 15 and 16, of G.O. No. 6; and (2) served copies of their Joint Application upon the Consumer Advocate. The commission will instruct the Parties to submit a stipulated procedural schedule for the commission's review and consideration.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that within forty-five (45) 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.

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1Joint Application, Verification, Exhibits I – IV, and Certificate of Service, filed on July 15, 2005.

2Rule 15 states:

If, in a particular case or a special type of construction, exemption from or modification of any of the requirements herein is desired, the Commission will consider an application for such exemption or modification when accompanied by a full statement of conditions existing and the reasons why such exemption or modification is asked and is believed to be justifiable. It is to be understood that, unless otherwise ordered, any exemption or modification so granted shall be limited to the particular case or the special type of construction covered by the application.

Rule 16 provides in respective part:

The Commission reserves the right to change any of the provisions of these rules in specific cases when, in the Commission's opinion, public interest would be served by so doing.
consideration by the same date. Alternatively, in the absence of a formal procedural schedule, the Parties shall, at a minimum, identify their agreed-upon deadlines for the Consumer Advocate and Applicants to file their position and rebuttal statements, respectively, and notify the commission accordingly.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii AUG - 5 2005.

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:

Michael Azama
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. 21971 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: AUG - 5 2005

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