BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

----In the Matter of----

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DOCKET NO. 2006-0498

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Investigate the Proposed Tariffs
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ORDER NO. 23655

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By this Order, the commission approves the Parties' request for an extension of time, from August 29, 2007 to September 28, 2007, to submit a stipulated procedural schedule for the standby service portion of this proceeding, or for each of the Parties to submit its own proposed procedural schedule, in the event they are unable to agree on a joint procedural schedule.¹

¹The Parties in this proceeding are KAUAI ISLAND UTILITY COOPERATIVE ("KIUC"); HAWAII RENEWABLE ENERGY ALLIANCE; the COUNTY OF KAUA'I; CHAPEAU, INC., dba BLUEPOINT ENERGY, STARWOOD HOTELS AND RESORTS WORLDWIDE, INC., and the HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION; MARRIOTT HOTELS SERVICES, INC., on behalf of KAUAI MARRIOTT RESORT & BEACH CLUB; and the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Division of Consumer Advocacy, an ex officio party to this proceeding, pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes § 269-51 and Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-61-62(a).
I.

Background

The deadline for the Parties to submit a stipulated procedural schedule with respect to KIUC's proposed standby service tariff, or for each of the Parties to submit its own proposed procedural schedule, in the event that they are unable to agree on a stipulated procedural schedule, was August 29, 2007.\(^2\) By letter dated August 29, 2007, KIUC, on the Parties' behalf, requests a one-month extension of time, from August 29, 2007 to September 28, 2007, "to submit a proposed and/or stipulated procedural schedule identifying the agreed-upon issues, procedural steps, and schedule of proceedings for the standby service portion of this proceeding, as required by Ordering Paragraph 6 of Order No. 23422, as amended."\(^3\)

II.

Discussion

HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1) authorizes the commission, for good cause shown, to order a period enlarged if a written request is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order.

KIUC, in support of the timely request for additional time, states:


\(^3\)KIUC's letter, dated August 29, 2007, at 1.
Since KIUC's First Standby Service Tariff Status Report, filed on July 5, 2007, the parties have informally met either in-person and/or via telephone conference on August 7, 2007 and August 21, 2007, and have engaged in extensive discussions to collaborate and better understand the parties' concerns, potential resolutions, and other standby service issues. Although the parties acknowledge that progress has been made during these collaborative sessions, additional time is necessary (1) to allow KIUC to analyze and respond to the various concerns raised by the respective parties during the collaborative sessions, and (2) to allow the parties to informally meet and confer again over the approximately 2 week period prior to September 28, 2007. The parties believe that the additional time is in the public interest as it will assist in possibly resolving and/or simplifying all or a portion of the standby service issues in this proceeding.


Based on KIUC's representations, the commission finds good cause to grant the Parties' request and approve the extension of time, from August 29, 2007 to September 28, 2007, for the Parties to submit a stipulated procedural schedule with respect to KIUC's proposed standby service tariff, or for each of the Parties to submit its own proposed procedural schedule, in the event that they are unable to agree on a joint procedural schedule.

III.

Order

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

The Parties' request for an extension of time, from August 29, 2007 to September 28, 2007, to submit a stipulated procedural schedule with respect to KIUC's proposed standby
service tariff, or for each of the Parties to submit its own proposed procedural schedule, in the event that they are unable to agree on a joint procedural schedule, is approved.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii SEP 12 2007.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By John E. Cole, Commissioner

By Leslie H. Kondo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Azama
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 23655 upon the following persons, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such person.

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