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#### ORDER

By this Order,<sup>1</sup> the commission approves the deadline dates proposed by HREA for the filing of HREA and the Stipulating Parties' respective position statements for the interconnection portion of this proceeding. Accordingly, HREA shall file its position statement by September 21, 2007, and the Stipulating Parties shall file their rebuttal position statements (if any) by October 5, 2007.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Parties in this proceeding are: (1) Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc., and Maui Electric Company, Limited (collectively, the "HECO Companies"); (2) the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Division of Consumer Advocacy, an <u>ex officio</u> party pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes § 269-51 and Hawaii Administrative Rules § 6-61-62(a); (3) Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance ("HREA"); (4) Chapeau, Inc., dba BluePoint Energy, Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide, Inc., and Hawaii Health Systems Corporation; (5) JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa, Waikoloa Marriott Beach Resort & Spa, Maui Ocean Club, and Wailea Marriott; (6) Kahala Senior Living Community, Inc.; and (7) the United States Combined Heat and Power Association. The non-HREA parties are collectively referred to as the "Stipulating Parties."

# ·I.

#### <u>Stipulation</u>

The deadline for the Parties to file their stipulation or individual position statements on the HECO Companies' proposed interconnection tariff was September 13, 2007.<sup>2</sup>

On September 13, 2007, the Stipulating Parties jointly filed their Stipulation Regarding Hearing and Commission Approval Concerning Rule 14H Interconnection Tariffs.<sup>3</sup> By their Stipulation, the Stipulating Parties submit for the commission's review and approval their agreed-upon proposed interconnection tariffs for the HECO Companies. As explained by the Stipulating Parties:

> WHEREAS, HREA has taken the position that it will seek Commission approval, under a separate transmittal to be filed by September 13, 2007, for the opportunity to review the final proposed modifications to the HECO Companies' interconnection tariffs, contained herein, and to file a statement of position addressing HREA's concerns with the proposed modifications;

<sup>2</sup><u>See</u> Parties' joint letter, dated June 22, 2007; Order No. 23521, filed on June 28, 2007; and Order No. 23608, filed on August 16, 2007. As set forth in Order No. 23171, filed on December 28, 2006, the commission identified preliminary issue number 2 as follows:

Whether the HECO [Companies'] proposed revisions to their existing interconnection tariffs are just and reasonable and consistent in principle with the guidelines and requirements set forth in Decision and Order No. 22248, filed in Docket No. 03-0371, as clarified by Order No. 23375, filed in the same docket.

Order No. 23171, at 9.

<sup>3</sup>Stipulation Regarding Hearing and Commission Approval Concerning Rule 14H Interconnection Tariffs; Exhibits A - D; and Certificate of Service, filed on September 13, 2007 (collectively, "Stipulation"). 2. The [Stipulating Parties] do not request additional procedural steps or an evidentiary hearing with respect to the HECO Companies' proposed modifications to their Rule 14H interconnection tariffs.

Stipulation, at 2 - 3.

HREA is the only party that did not sign or agree to the Stipulation.<sup>4</sup> Instead, by letter dated September 12, 2007, HREA represents that because it "has remaining concerns with the Stipulation, the Stipulating Parties do not object for HREA to address its concerns via а position statement for the Commission's review and consideration in lieu of HREA's filing [of] a separate stipulated procedural schedule setting forth dates for discovery, evidentiary hearing, etc."<sup>5</sup> Accordingly, HREA seeks the commission's approval "to submit the following agreed-upon position statement[s] in lieu of a stipulated procedural schedule," to wit: (1) HREA's position statement by September 21, 2007; and (2) the Stipulating Parties rebuttal position statements (if any) by October 5, 2007.<sup>6</sup>

Here, the Stipulating Parties submit for the commission's review and approval their agreed-upon proposed interconnection tariffs for the HECO Companies, and HREA proposes deadline dates for the filing of their respective position

<sup>4</sup><u>See</u> Stipulation, at 2 and 5.

<sup>b</sup>HREA's letter, dated September 12, 2007, at 2. Because HREA's letter preceded the filing of the Stipulation, HREA's discussion of the Stipulation refers to its review of an advance copy of the Stipulation.

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statements. The commission approves the deadline dates proposed by HREA for the interconnection tariff portion of this proceeding. Accordingly, HREA shall file its position statement by September 21, 2007, and the Stipulating Parties shall file their rebuttal position statements (if any) by October 5, 2007.

### II.

#### Orders

# THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. The deadline dates proposed by HREA for the filing of HREA and the Stipulating Parties' respective position statements for the interconnection tariff portion of this proceeding are approved.

2. HREA shall file its position statement by September 21, 2007, and the Stipulating Parties shall file their rebuttal position statements (if any) by October 5, 2007.

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# DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii \_\_\_\_\_ SEP 2 6 2007

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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