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

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 2007-0008

Instituting a Proceeding To Examine Hawaii's Renewable Portfolio Standards Law, Hawaii Revised Statutes §§ 269-91 - 269-95, as Amended by Act 162, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006.

ORDER NO. 23700

DIV. OF CONSUMER ADVOCATION OF CONSUMER ADVOCATION OF CONSUMER APPRAIRS

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By this Order, the commission approves the request by HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC., HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC., and MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED (collectively, "Hawaiian Electric Companies"), on behalf of the Parties in this docket, to amend the procedural schedule governing this proceeding.

I.

Request to Amend Procedural Schedule

Pursuant to the amended procedural schedule established in Order No. 23493, filed on June 14, 2007, the Parties were to submit a proposed framework addressing all of the issues in this proceeding (or a proposed stipulated framework if the Parties are

¹The Hawaiian Electric Companies, KAUAI ISLAND UTILITY COOPERATIVE ("KIUC"), the DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY, LIFE OF THE LAND, and HAWAII RENEWABLE ENERGY ALLIANCE ("HREA") are collectively referred to herein as the "Parties."

able to agree) and their Final Statements of Position, by September 25, 2007. However, notwithstanding Order No. 23493, by letter dated September 25, 2007, the Hawaiian Electric Companies requested an additional extension of time, until October 12, 2007, for the Parties to file their Final Statements of Position and proposed (or stipulated) frameworks in accordance with Order No. 23493. The Hawaiian Electric Companies represented in their letter that:

A draft Framework for Renewable Portfolio Standards has been developed and the Parties have reviewed, discussed and commented on the In spite of a heavy regulatory document. workload, the Parties have made substantial progress in reaching agreement on the penalty provisions of the draft framework. However, the Parties have expressed a need for more time to review and consider the Renewable Energy Infrastructure Program proposed by the Hawaiian Electric Companies for inclusion in framework. Further, draft September 22, 2007, HREA proposed provisions on Renewable Energy Certificates.

The commission will treat the Hawaiian Electric Companies' September 25, 2007 letter as a motion for an extension of time notwithstanding the requirements of Order No. 23493 ("Motion") under Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") §§ 6-61-23 and 6-61-41. HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1) allows the commission to

²By letter dated August 31, 2007, KIUC, on behalf of the Parties, requested a three-week extension of time (i.e., from September 4, 2007 to September 25, 2007) for the Parties to file their Final Statements of Position and proposed (or stipulated) frameworks in accordance with Order No. 23493. By Order No. 23652, filed on September 12, 2007, the commission approved the Parties' request.

³See Letter dated and filed on September 25, 2007, from the Hawaiian Electric Companies to the commission, at 1-2 (footnotes omitted).

enlarge a period by which a required act must be completed upon a showing of good cause provided that a written request is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed.

After reviewing the entire record, and based on the representations in the Hawaiian Electric Companies' letter, the commission finds the extension request to be reasonable. The commission accordingly grants the Motion and approves the Hawaiian Electric Companies' request for an extension of time (from September 25, 2007 to October 12, 2007) for the Parties to file proposed (or stipulated) frameworks and Final Statements of Position.

II.

<u>Orders</u>

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 1. The Hawaiian Electric Companies' Motion, on behalf of the Parties, to amend the procedural schedule in this proceeding, is approved.
- 2. The Parties are granted an extension of time (from September 25, 2007 to October 12, 2007) to file Final Statements of Position and proposed (or stipulated) frameworks addressing all of the issues in this docket.
- 3. In all other respects, Order No. 23493 remains unchanged.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

John E. Cole, Commissioner

Leslie H. Kondo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 23700 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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