BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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Matters.

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By this Order, the commission approves the Parties' request for an extension of time, from September 28, 2007 to November 30, 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 KAUAI; BLUEPOINT ENERGY, CHAPEAU, INC., dba STARWOOD HOTELS AND RESORTS WORLDWIDE, INC., and 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 Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-61-62(a).

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 stipulated procedural schedule. to agree а September 28, 2007.² By letter dated September 27, 2007, KIUC, on the Parties' behalf, requests a two-month extension of time, from September 28, 2007 to November 30, 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 [commission order]."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:

In September 2007, the parties have continued to engage in extensive discussions concerning the standby service issues, including discussions of all relevant issues and concerns, and potential

²See Order No. 23655, filed on September 12, 2007.

³KIUC's letter, dated September 27, 2007, at 1-2.

resolution of those issues and concerns. Although the parties acknowledge that substantial progress has been made during these collaborative sessions, additional time is necessary (1) to allow KIUC to analyze and respond to additional matters raised by the respective parties during the collaborative sessions, and (2) to allow the parties to informally meet and confer again during this proposed extension period to determine feasibility of either a partial resolution of the standby service issues. 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.

KIUC's letter, dated September 27, 2007, at 2 (emphasis added).

Based on KIUC's representations, the commission finds good cause to grant the Parties' request and approve the extension of time, from September 28, 2007 to November 30, 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.

<u>Order</u>

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

The Parties' request for an extension of time, from September 28, 2007 to November 30, 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.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

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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. 23715 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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