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Re: Docket No. 2024-0121, In the Matter of the Application of Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Hawai'i Electric Light Company, Inc., Maui Electric Company, Limited DBA Hawaiian Electric, For Approval of Stipulated Comprehensive Double Pole Removal Plan.

Dear Mr. Katsura:

To assist the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") in its review of the above -referenced docket, please respond to the following Information Requests ("IRs") by July 15, 2024.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Melissa Mash
Commission Counsel

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Enclosure

c: Service List, Docket No. 2024-0121, via the Commission's Case and Document Management System Electronic Distribution List.

Docket No. 2024-0121

Information Requests to Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Hawai'i Electric Light Company, Inc., Maui Electric Company, Limited ("Hawaiian Electric")

General Instructions:

Unless otherwise directed, all responses to these IRs that concern or require tabular or graphic representations of data should include the data in an electronic spreadsheet file compatible with MS Excel. All spreadsheet files provided in the responses to these IRs should be provided in live or dynamic format with cell logic, references, calculations, and formulas intact, and all cells unhidden and unprotected. Supporting files should be submitted in eServices in standard file formats and not secured or password protected.

PUC-HECO-IR-09

Reference: "Hawaiian Electric Responses to Commission's Information Requests," filed on June 14, 2024 ("HECO's response to PUC IR set 1"), Response to PUC-HECO-IR-01d at 2.

In HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-01d, Hawaiian Electric states that it "has not received any revenues from pole attachments for the years 2024-2039 and therefore does not have a pro forma to provide."

Please respond to the following:

- a) Provide the estimated future revenues (i.e., pro forma income statement) for joint pole attachments as separated by islands or by service territory for the years 2024-2039.
- b) To the extent that Hawaiian Electric is unable to provide substantive data as requested in subpart a, does Hawaiian Electric expect to receive any revenues from pole attachments for the years 2024-2039? If so, please explain why such estimates cannot be provided for the requested years.

PUC-HECO-IR-10

Reference: HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-01g at 4.

In HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-01g, Hawaiian Electric states that it "does not have costs broken down by the categories in this IR, but [Hawaiian Electric] can provide the below rough estimates for standard transfer and double pole removals based on the current RFP responses [Hawaiian Electric] has received."

Please respond to the following:

- a) Please confirm that the rough estimates provided are inclusive of all costs needed for standard transfer double pole removals (e.g., Hawaiian Electric's internal labor and material costs).
- b) Please identify all costs and their categories that are included within the rough estimates provided in the response to PUC-HECO-IR-01g.

PUC-HECO-IR-11

Reference: HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-05a at 1.

In HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-05a, Hawaiian Electric, when asked whether it anticipates that increasing the list of eligible contractors will speed up the equipment transfer and double pole removal process, states that "[i]t should." Hawaiian Electric also states that the "approved, eligible contractor list is a list Hawaiian Electric provides to carriers so they know who they can call on to perform work in the field that has already been vetted by the Company." In HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-05b, Hawaiian Electric states that it "cannot confirm whether other relevant stakeholders will have sufficient labor resources to achieve their projected goals."

Please respond to the following:

- a) Does Hawaiian Electric agree with the statement that increasing the number of eligible contractors will speed up equipment transfer and the double pole removal process?
- b) Does Hawaiian Electric provide a list of eligible contractors to the other stakeholders that only Hawaiian Electric has vetted? If not, please explain what other stakeholders are involved in the vetting process.
- c) Does Hawaiian Electric believe that there will be sufficient internal and contracted labor resources on Hawaiian Electric's side to meet projected removal goals?

PUC-HECO-IR-12

Reference: HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-07 at 1.

In HECO's response to PUC IR set 1, Response to PUC-HECO-IR-07, Hawaiian Electric states that it "is currently in the process of conducting a service-wide pole attachment inventory audit."

Please respond to the following:

- a) As part of this pole attachment inventory audit, will Hawaiian Electric also inventory the number of backlog double poles, along with their location?

- b) If Hawaiian Electric is not planning to conduct an updated double pole audit annually, then how does Hawaiian Electric plan to maintain an accurate record of the double pole counts (broken down by backlog, preventive, standard transfer, and non-standard transfer types) on an ongoing basis?

PUC-HECO-IR-13

Reference: Hawaiian Electric Advisory on June 17, 2024 “Reconductoring work Thursday on Lualualei Homestead Rd. To impact traffic in Wai’anae near Pōka’i Bay Beach Park.

Hawaiian Electric mentions in this referenced advisory that “Hawaiian Electric crews will replace primary and secondary conductors on several utility poles along Lualualei Homestead Road.”

Would it be possible for Hawaiian Electric to specify in future advisories, such as this one referenced, whether or not Hawaiian Electric is planning to leave behind a double pole or otherwise remove the old pole to leave a single pole standing? If not, please explain. Does Hawaiian Electric require the Commission to order Hawaiian Electric to provide more specific details in its advisories?

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