

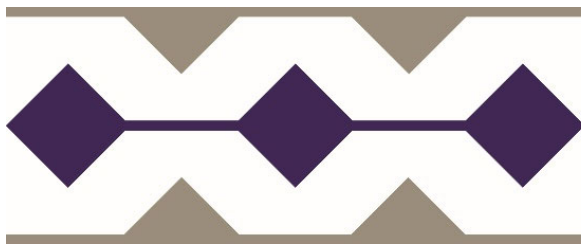
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR
VARIABLE RENEWABLE DISPATCHABLE GENERATION
PAIRED WITH ENERGY STORAGE
AND COMMUNITY-BASED RENEWABLE ENERGY

ISLAND OF LĀNA‘I

NOVEMBER 22, 2021

Docket No. 2015-0389

Appendix K – Lāna‘i Community Comments



**Maui
Electric**

Lānaʻi Community Meeting Feedback

(written comments received by Maui Electric Co., Ltd.)

On July 23, 2019, the Company held a community meeting on Lānaʻi to provide residents information on its plans to conduct a Request for Proposals (“RFP”) for Variable Renewable Dispatchable Generation. During the meeting, the Company gave a presentation to explain the objective of the RFP and overall process.¹ Approximately 40 residents attended the meeting. The Company solicited written feedback from the Lānaʻi community based on the following question:

1: Do you have any feedback/comments you want developers to be aware of?

The following written responses were received:

Comment 1:

Suggest bidders be strongly encouraged to meet w public before submitting bid for consideration to better inform public engagement process if selected~

Comment 2:

Please pronounce the name of our island correct Lānaʻi.

Comment 3:

Price and reliability are major considerations.

What are the plans for restoring power should there be failures, e.g., spare parts readily available on island, technicians on island or can be on island quickly.

Comment 4:

Is the location of the new solar going to take away hunting designated land.

Tell the PUC to bring back net metering?

Can the grid handle the increase in power?

Comment 5:

Is it possible to hire/train Lānaʻi residents to fill these new jobs please?

Will you consider including students at Lānaʻi High & Elem if they would like to learn more about renewable energy?

Comment 6:

So glad MECO incorporated significant opportunities for lots of community input.

¹ The July 23, 2019 meeting was held in conjunction with the scope and Section 3.11 Project Site specified in the Variable Renewable Dispatchable Generation RFP issued on November 27, 2019.