

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Requests of )  
 )  
HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC., ) DOCKET NO. 2017-0352  
HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC., )  
AND MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED )  
 )  
To Institute a Proceeding Relating )  
To a Competitive Bidding Process )  
To Acquire Dispatchable and )  
Renewable Generation. )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

ORDER NO. 38531

GRANTING THE HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANIES'  
MOTION FOR ENLARGEMENT OF TIME TO FILE THE  
FINAL STAGE 3 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR HAWAII ISLAND

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Requests of )  
)  
HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC., ) DOCKET NO. 2017-0352  
HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC., )  
AND MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED ) ORDER NO. **38531**  
)  
To Institute a Proceeding Relating )  
To Competitive Procurement )  
Of Dispatchable and )  
Renewable Generation. )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

GRANTING THE HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANIES'  
MOTION FOR ENLARGEMENT OF TIME TO FILE THE  
FINAL STAGE 3 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR HAWAII ISLAND

The Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"), based on good cause shown, grants the HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANIES'<sup>1</sup> ("Hawaiian Electric" or "the Companies") request for an enlargement of time to file the Final Stage 3 Request for Proposals for Hawaii Island ("Final Stage 3 RFP").<sup>2</sup> Accordingly,

---

<sup>1</sup>The Parties to this docket are HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. ("HECO"), HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC. ("HELCO"), MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LTD. ("MECO") (collectively, "Hawaiian Electric" or "the Companies"); and the DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY ("Consumer Advocate"), an ex officio party to this proceeding, pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes § 269-51 and Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 16-601-62(a).

<sup>2</sup>See Letter from K. Katsura to Commission re: Docket No. 2017-0352 - To Institute a Proceeding Relating to Competitive

the Companies' deadline to file its Final Stage 3 RFP is fifteen (15) business days from the filing date of the Commission's decision on the Companies' Motion for Partial Reconsideration and/or Clarification of Order No. 38479.<sup>3</sup>

To provide some brief background, on October 15, 2021, the Companies filed their first draft of the Stage 3 RFP for Hawaii Island.<sup>4</sup>

Following stakeholder feedback and a technical conference regarding the Stage 3 RFP for Hawaii Island, the Companies filed a second draft of the Stage 3 RFP for Hawaii Island on March 18, 2022.<sup>5</sup> Following this

---

Procurement of Dispatchable and Renewable Generation; "Request for Extension to file Final Stage 3 RFP for Hawaii Island," filed on July 20, 2022. While the Companies filed the request for extension of time as a letter, the Commission construes this letter as a motion for enlargement of time under HAR § 16-601-23(a)(1) and addresses it as such ("Motion for Enlargement of Time"). Pursuant to HAR § 16-601-23(a)(1), the Commission can grant an enlargement of time for good cause shown, "if written request is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed . . . ."

<sup>3</sup>Hawaiian Electric Companies' "Motion for Partial Reconsideration and/or Clarification of Order No. 38479; Memorandum in Support of Motion; and Certificate of Service," filed on July 11, 2022 ("Motion for Reconsideration").

<sup>4</sup>Hawaiian Electric Companies' "Development of Stage 3 Request for Proposals for Hawaii Island, Books 1 through 4," filed on October 15, 2021.

<sup>5</sup>Hawaiian Electric Companies' "Second Draft of Stage 3 Request for Proposals for Hawaii Island, Books 1 through 4," filed on March 18, 2022.

filing, the Commission received additional public comments on the draft.<sup>6</sup>

On May 31, 2022, the Companies filed a third draft of the Stage 3 RFP for Hawaii Island,<sup>7</sup> including, among other revisions, an Updated Near-Term Grid Needs Assessment for Hawaii Island, which was presented at a technical conference held on April 15, 2022.<sup>8</sup>

On June 30, 2022, the Commission issued Order No. 38479, approving the Companies' Final Stage 3 RFP for Hawaii Island with modifications, and directing the Companies to file a Final Stage 3 RFP with the modifications within 30 days of the Order.<sup>9</sup>

On July 11, 2022, the Companies filed their Motion for Reconsideration, requesting reconsideration and clarification

---

<sup>6</sup>See Public Comments filed on April 8, 2022, April 11, 2022, April 13, 2022, and April 22, 2022.

<sup>7</sup>Hawaiian Electric Companies' "Third Draft of Stage 3 Request for Proposals for Hawaii Island, Books 1 through 4," filed on May 31, 2022 ("Third Draft Hawaii Island Stage 3 RFP").

<sup>8</sup>Letter from M. Asano to Commission re: Docket No. 2017-0352 - To Institute a Proceeding Relating to a Competitive Bidding Process to Acquire Dispatchable and Renewable Generation, "Updated Grid Needs Assessment for Hawaii Island," filed on April 21, 2022.

<sup>9</sup>Order No. 38479, "Approving the Hawaiian Electric Companies' Final Stage 3 Request for Proposals for Hawaii Island with Modifications and Issuing Guidance on the Proposed Stage 3 Requests for Proposals for Oahu and Maui," filed on June 30, 2022 ("Order No. 38479").

regarding various modifications to the Final Stage 3 RFP, and requesting a hearing or technical conference.<sup>10</sup>

On July 20, 2022, the Companies filed their Motion for Enlargement of Time, requesting an extension of the deadline to file the Final Stage 3 RFP to "fifteen (15) business days from the date of the Commission's decision on the Companies' Motion for Reconsideration."<sup>11</sup> The Companies set forth a number of reasons in support of their Motion for Enlargement of Time, including that: (1) the time will allow Hawaiian Electric to fully incorporate the Commission's directives and modifications into the Final Stage 3 RFP, (2) the Companies' ability to comprehensively incorporate the Commission's disposition of the Motion for Reconsideration and guidance provided therein promotes administrative efficiency, and (3) modifications to the Final Stage 3 RFP set forth in Order No. 38479 may no longer be applicable depending on the Commission's decision on the Motion.<sup>12</sup>

The Commission is currently reviewing the Companies' Motion for Reconsideration and developing further guidance for the

---

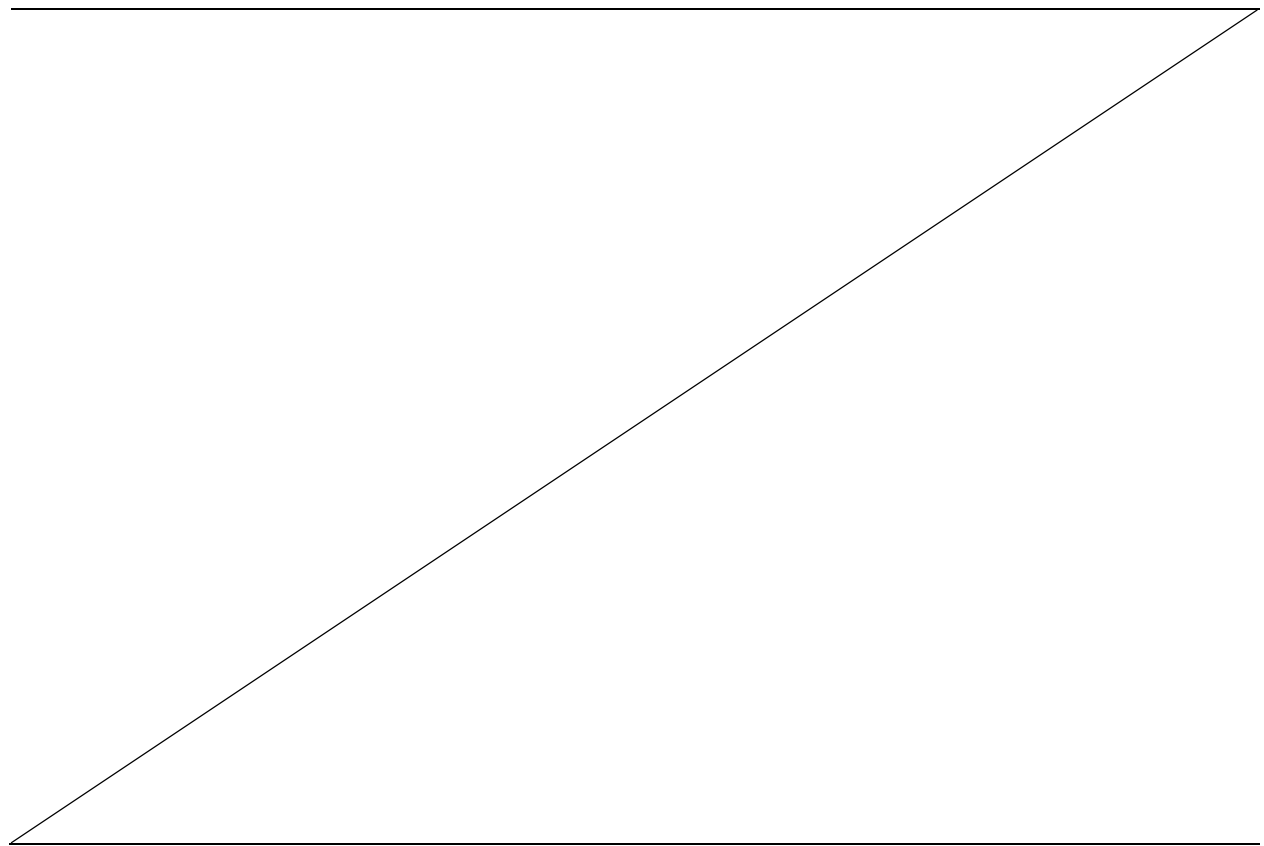
<sup>10</sup>Motion for Reconsideration at 3.

<sup>11</sup>Motion for Enlargement of Time at 1.

<sup>12</sup>Motion for Enlargement of Time at 2. The Consumer Advocate filed a response stating that it did not take a position on the Companies' Motion on July 27, 2022. "Division of Consumer Advocacy's Response to Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.'s Extension Request," filed on July 27, 2022.

Companies related to the Final Stage 3 RFP for Hawaii Island, and agrees that it would promote administrative efficiency to resolve the Companies' Motion for Reconsideration prior to the Final Stage 3 RFP filing. Hawaiian Electric filed its Motion for Enlargement of Time "before the expiration of the period originally prescribed[,]" (i.e., July 29, 2022).<sup>13</sup>

As such, the Commission grants the Companies' Motion for Enlargement of Time. The Companies' deadline to file the Final Stage 3 RFP is extended to fifteen (15) business days from the filing date of the Commission's decision on the Companies' Motion for Reconsideration.



---

<sup>13</sup>See HAR § 16-601-23(a)(1).


THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. The Companies' Motion for Enlargement of Time is granted.

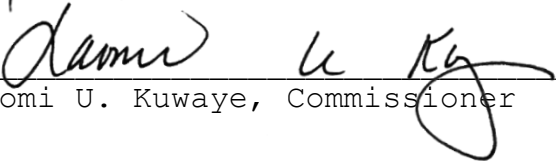
2. The Companies' deadline to file their Final Stage 3 RFP is fifteen (15) business days from the filing date of the Commission's decision on the Companies' Motion for Reconsideration.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii JULY 28, 2022.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By   
Leodoloff R. Asuncion, Jr., Chair

By   
Jennifer M. Potter, Commissioner

By   
Naomi U. Kuwaye, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Caroline C. Ishida  
Commission Counsel

2017-0352.ljk

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The foregoing order was served on the date it was uploaded to the Public Utilities Commission's Document Management System and served through the Document Management System's electronic Distribution List.



FILED

2022 Jul 28 PM 16:06

PUBLIC UTILITIES  
COMMISSION

The foregoing document was electronically filed with the State of Hawaii Public Utilities Commission's Document Management System (DMS).