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The Honorable Chairman and Members of  
the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission  
Kekuanaoa Building  
465 South King Street, 1st Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Commissioners:

**RE: Docket No. 03-0372 – In the Matter of the Public Utilities Commission  
Instituting a Proceeding to Investigate Competitive Bidding for New  
Generating Capacity in Hawaii**

On January 13, 2005, the Commission provided a proposed regulatory schedule for the instant docket and requested comments on the proposed dates by today. The Consumer Advocate submits proposed revisions to the due dates for the procedural steps contemplated for this proceeding in order to accommodate the procedural schedules in other docketed matters.<sup>1</sup>

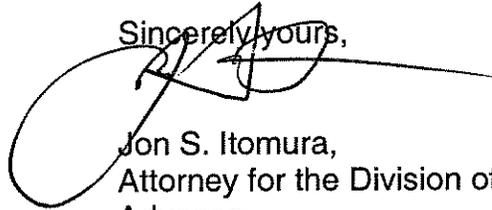
The Consumer Advocate has been informed by Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc. Maui Electric Company, Limited, Kauai Island Utility Cooperative, The Gas Company and the County of Kauai that they agree with the requested revision set forth in Attachment "A."

<sup>1</sup> For example the expedited schedules for Docket Nos. 04-0346 and 04-0365 and the procedural schedule for Docket No. 04-0113 which contemplates an evidentiary hearing in mid-September in order to allow for an interim order under HRS §269-16(d).

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Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance has indicated that either schedule is acceptable, County of Maui and Hess Microgen has indicated that they support the Commission's schedule, but will support the proposed revision if the other Parties agree.

Sincerely yours,

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**ATTACHMENT "A"**  
**STIPULATED REGULATORY SCHEDULE**  
**PROCEEDING TO INVESTIGATE COMPETITIVE BIDDING**  
**Docket No. 03-0372**

	<b>PROCEDURAL STEPS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Alternate Proposed Date</b>
1.	Order No. 20834 filed by Commission	March 3, 2004	March 3, 2004
2.	Workshop	Tuesday-Wednesday, September 28-29, 2004	Tuesday-Wednesday, September 28-29, 2004
3.	Simultaneous Statements of Position, including support for the Position Statement (i.e., Exhibits and Workpapers)	Friday, February 25, 2005	Monday, March 14, 2005
4.	Simultaneous Information Requests to the Parties and Active Participants on their Position Statements, Exhibits and Workpapers	Thursday, March 24, 2005*	Monday, April 4, 2005
5.	Simultaneous Responses to Information Requests filed by the Parties and Active Participants on the Parties/Active Participants Position Statements, Exhibits and Workpapers	Friday, April 22, 2005	Thursday, April 28, 2005
6.	PUC Information Requests to the Parties and Active Participants on their Responses to Information Requests, Position Statements, Exhibits and Workpapers	Friday, May 13, 2005	Friday, May 13, 2005
7.	Response to PUC Information Requests to the Parties and Active Participants on their Responses to Information Requests, Position Statements, Exhibits and Workpapers	Thursday, June 9, 2005	Thursday, June 9, 2005

	<b>PROCEDURAL STEPS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Alternate Proposed Date</b>
8.	Simultaneous Final Statements of Position, including support for Final Position Statement and comments on, or responses to Position Statements of the Other Parties/Active Participants. In addition, the Parties/Active Participants shall identify the witnesses who will be made available at the Panel Hearing.	Friday, July 8, 2005	Thursday, August 11, 2005
9.	Simultaneous Information Requests to the Parties and Active Participants on their Final Position Statements, Exhibits and Workpapers	Friday, July 22, 2005*	Thursday, September 22, 2005
10.	Simultaneous Responses to Information Requests filed by the Parties and Active Participants on the Parties/Active Participants' Final Position Statements, Exhibits and Workpapers	Friday, August 12, 2005	Thursday, October 6, 2005
11.	Prehearing Conference	Tuesday, August 23, 2005	Tuesday, October 11, 2005
12.	Panel Hearing	Week of September 5, 2005	Week of October 17, 2005
13.	Simultaneous Post-Hearing Opening Briefs	4 weeks after transcript completed and filed with the Commission	4 weeks after transcript completed and filed with the Commission
14.	Simultaneous Post-Hearing Reply Briefs	3 weeks after filing of Opening Briefs	3 weeks after filing of Opening Briefs

As stated in Section VII of the Stipulated Prehearing Order, the Parties and Active Participants will exchange their filings, information requests and information request responses to the other parties and participants via diskette or e-mail in a standard electronic format that is readily available by the other parties and participants, to the extent that the information is available in electronic format. Subject to objections that may be raised and to the extent practicable, the electronic files for spreadsheets will contain all formulae intact, and will not be entirely converted to values prior to submission.