

CA-IR-23

Ref: Exhibit HECO-602, Page 14, Third Bullet Point.

Mr. Wong states “this particular 138 kV underground transmission line alternative does not appear to have as many contentious issues as the Waahila alternative.” How much merit or weighting was this fact given when HECO chose to pursue the Waahila routing in spite of the fact that major opposition existed?

HECO Response:

The major opposition to the Waahila routing was considered, but given the other factors considered, as discussed in responses to CA-IR-4 and CA-IR-22, subpart b, it was not believed to be sufficient justification to pursue an all-underground 138kV alternative.