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Dear Ms. Kikuta:

Subject: Docket No. 05-0315
HELCO 2006 Test Year Rate Case
Responses to First Submission Information Requests

In accordance with the informal agreement between Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc. ("HELCO"), and the Consumer Advocate, attached are HELCO's responses to the Consumer Advocate's first submission of information requests ("IRs") that were transmitted by your letter dated July 25, 2006.¹ A listing of the IR responses being submitted with this transmittal is included in Attachment A. Responses to the remaining first submission IRs, also listed on Attachment A, will be submitted to the Consumer Advocate when completed.

The response to CA-IR-50 is confidential and is being submitted pursuant to Protective Order No. 22593, dated June 30, 2006.

HELCO will provide the Commission with copies of the attached IR responses along with responses to all of the Consumer Advocate's IRs, after the last IR response is completed and submitted to the Consumer Advocate.

Sincerely,

Dean K. Matsuura
Director, Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

cc: Sawvel & Associates, Inc.
Utilitech, Inc.
Public Utilities Commission (w/o attachments)

¹ HELCO previously submitted responses to the Consumer Advocate's first submission of IRs by letters dated August 15, 2006 and August 17, 2006.

Responses transmitted on 08-21-06 (12)

47, 50, 55, 57-58, 62, 65, 68-69, 76, 81-82

Responses transmitted on 08-17-06 (20)

13, 31, 45, 66, 70, 84-85, 88, 90-91, 93, 100, 103, 156, 160, 175, 192, 201, 203, 211**

Responses transmitted on 08-15-06* (170)

3-12, 14-30, 32-43, 79, 86-87, 89, 92, 94-96, 98-99, 102, 105-153, 155, 157-159, 161-174, 176-179, 182-184, 187-191, 193-200, 202, 204-210, 212-236

Remaining IR Responses (32)

44, 46, 48-49, 51-54, 56, 59-61, 63-64, 67, 71-75, 77-78, 80, 83, 97, 101, 104, 154, 180-181, 185-186

* The responses to CA-IR-1 and CA-IR-2 were submitted earlier.

** The voluminous response to CA-IR-211 was submitted by letter dated August 16, 2006.

