### **Meeting Summary**

# Innovation Pilot Framework (IPF)

## **Quarterly Stakeholder Meeting – September 2023**

Date: September 6, 2023

Location: Virtual – Microsoft Teams Meeting<sup>1</sup>

Meeting slide deck

## **Meeting Takeaways**

• It is important for Hawaiian Electric to continue to move forward on important PUC/Company initiatives while we also support our communities on Maui.

- This meeting focused on providing quarterly updates for in-flight IPF projects. No new pilot concepts were introduced for discussion.
- Per D&O 41029, the Commission lifted the suspension on filing new pilot proposals (Notices) and elaborated on its expectations for the Innovation Pilot Framework.
- Active IPF Pilot project updates
  - Charge Up eBus: Fewer applicants and operators than expected. Changes to scope, schedule, and budget in response to customer feedback. E-Bus procurement requires 18+ months. PUC approved no-cost extension of project to 12/2025.
  - <u>Charge Up Commercial</u>: Evaluating and prioritizing sites for selection. Targeting selection of 20 sites in 2023.
  - <u>EV-J and EV-P Tariffs</u>: Continued interest in enrollment with pace limited by the installation of EV charging facilities.
  - <u>Data Analytics Clearinghouse (DACh)</u>: Program Increment 1 completed on 5/30/2023.
     Increment 2 and Minimum Viable Product (MVP) 1 completed on 8/29/2023. Initial release of DACh platform is expected in October 2023.
  - <u>EV Telematics Pilot:</u> Public-facing website is live (https://smartchargehi.ev.energy).
     Customer outreach is ongoing. Plan to share EV Energy Dashboard in December 2023.
- Next quarterly IPF stakeholder meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2023 (1:00-2:30 PM).

### **Innovation Pilot Framework (General)**

- The following information on the IPF can be found on Hawaiian Electric's IPF website at <a href="https://www.hawaiianelectric.com/about-us/innovation/innovation-pilot.">https://www.hawaiianelectric.com/about-us/innovation/innovation-pilot.</a>
  - IPF process and portfolio, including the Areas of Collaboration that will guide the development of potential pilot projects
  - View approved and upcoming pilot projects with links to PUC's Decision and Orders and Hawaiian Electric's Notice of Intent (NOI), Responses to IRs, and slide decks for pilot projects
  - Presentation Slides and meeting summaries from Public Stakeholder Meetings
  - IPF Annual Reports
  - Schedule for future IPF meetings

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Meeting notes reflect use of Chatham House Rule.

Submission of new project ideas

# Feedback on Pilot Project Pipeline

- Five pilot concepts under discussion (battery rental, virtual NEM, Smart Electric Panel, artificial intelligence-modeled vegetation risk assessment, and DER Telemetry and Control).
- No new pilot concept projects were introduced at this meeting. We are still interested in new ideas
  and project proposals for consideration from stakeholders. Submit project proposals to
  innovation@hawaiianelectric.com
- Hawaiian Electric asked attendees if anyone had a pilot concept to introduce or discuss. No ideas were mentioned.
- Five in-flight pilot projects (Charge Up Ebus, Charge Up Commercial, EV-J and EV-P tariff Pilots, Data Analytics Clearinghouse, Residential EV Telematics).
- Minor changes to IPF spending forecast with some costs from 2023 shifted into 2024 and 2025.

# **Status of Active Pilot Portfolio Projects**

# Charge Up e-Bus Pilot

- Fewer applicants (2) and bus operators than expected.
- Risks
  - Experiencing delays to procure bus and charging equipment due to supply chain issues (18+ months).
  - o Longer timelines to obtain participation agreements, funding, permit timelines.
  - Rising material and labor costs.
  - Resource constraints.
- PUC approved project extension to December 31, 2025.
- Submitted a request to extend E-bus Tariff (expires December 2023).
- Delays have caused lower budget forecast for 2023 and shifting costs to 2024 and 2025.
- Execution of participation agreements is taking over a year; hope to work through by the end of 2023.

#### **Charge Up Commercial Pilot**

- Pilot is open to any non-bus commercial charging facilities with Level 2 charging.
- 54 applications received with 20 sites with 4-6 ports accepted. One site withdrew due to Lahaina fire. Three Hawaii Island sites withdrew due to the pilot commitment period.
- Hawaiian Electric is seeking a diverse set of participants, geographic locations, and types of businesses. More time will be needed to identify alternatives for withdrawn sites.
- Risks
  - Customers require more time for selection of Level 2 chargers and for reviewing terms and conditions for agreements.
  - Separately metered service adds complexity, and 10-year commitment requirements are challenging.
  - Lengthy permitting process.
  - Withdrawals for which alternative sites will be needed.

#### Discussion and Q&A

o Are commercial sites or commercial fleets eligible?

 Charge Up Commercial Pilot is open to any commercial site (does not need to be fleet).

#### **EV-J and EV-P Tariff Pilot**

- Current enrollment (Oahu only, none for Maui County and Hawaii Island)
  - 2 accounts for EV-J
  - 1 account for EV-P
- Additional enrollment depends on completion of EV charger installations.
- EV Tariff Revenue: Slightly higher due to change in approach for billing period.
- Risks:
- Separately metering service requirement is a barrier for enrollment to EV-J and EV-P.

## **Data Analytics Clearinghouse (DACh) Pilot**

- Minimum Viable Product (MVP) 1 completed and met with stakeholders to introduce three options for access to data, work with data, and provide feedback data access:
  - Web Portal: Open by request with potential future access options
  - Delta Sharing: Working initially with Hawaii Energy
  - o Databricks Notebooks: Requires provisioning into Company network
- Provided overall feedback in September 2023 and planning workshop in October 2023 for initial release of DACh access options with dark release of a portal.
- MVP 2 starting with completion expected in December 2023.
- Will conduct another survey at the end of November 2023 to plan for next year.

### **EV Telematics Pilot Concept**

- Over 600 out of 1,800 target signups of which 268 connected to EV Energy Platform.
- EV energy working on the remaining to get connected.
- Working with EV Energy to improve signups
  - Shorten application form to simplify.
  - o Promoted pilot with physical flyers with QR codes to download the app and fill out form.
  - o Promote through Hawaii Auto Dealers Association.
- Risks:
  - Lack of participation.
- Plan to share EV Energy Dashboard at next IPF quarterly meeting.

### Discussion and Q&A

- In the Docket, is this IPF pilot project timed with the TOU pilot where a certain percentage of the participants would be part of the TOU pilot?
  - Yes. Data from this pilot will be provided to the working group that is working with the TOU pilot.

### Overall questions:

- Will projects coming down the pipe, but are not active, be discussed in the next meeting?
  - Yes, we plan to discuss in the next meeting on December 6, 2023.