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Hawaiian Electric to host online eBus planning discussion

HONOLULU, June 3, 2020 – Hawaiian Electric will host the first of three Drive Electric Dialogues focused on Electric Bus Make Ready Infrastructure on Wednesday, June 10, 10-11:30 am.

"We believe in a 'new normal' where electric buses powered by clean energy help transport our critical workers and community members while reducing congestion and creating quieter, less polluted but more interconnected neighborhoods on all our islands," said Aki Marceau, director of Electrification of Transportation at Hawaiian Electric.

"As with private electric vehicles, charging infrastructure is a big stumbling block for bus fleets, especially public bus and school bus fleets. We hope to discuss ways Hawaiian Electric can support this transition and how to pay for it efficiently and fairly."

The online meeting will include Jon Nouchi, Honolulu Department of Transportation Services deputy director, speaking on "Heroes Transporting Heroes – Bus transit during COVID-19."

Marceau will host the meeting with a presentation of plans by Michael Colón, Hawaiian Electric Electrification of Transportation manager.

To attend, please RSVP to eMob@hawaiianelectric.com.

On July 29, the meeting will follow up on Hawaiian Electric's "critical backbone" study pinpointing where expanded public charging would support commuters and tourists to drive electric and help optimize operation of the electric grid.

On Oct. 1, the discussion will focus on commercial make-ready infrastructure to support fleet and facilities for workplace electric vehicle charging.

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