



October 20, 2022

The Honorable Chair and Members  
of the Hawai'i Public Utilities Commission  
Kekuanao'a Building, First Floor  
465 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Commissioners:

Subject: Docket No. 2017-0352 – To Institute a Proceeding Relating to a Competitive Bidding Process to Acquire Dispatchable and Renewable Generation  
Docket No. 2018-0165 – Instituting a Proceeding to Investigate Integrated Grid Planning  
Request for Public Comments on Updated Near-Term Grid Needs Assessment for Oahu and Maui, filed July 29, 2022

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On October 17, 2022, the Commission issued Order No. 38653, *Addressing the Hawaiian Electric Companies' Motion for Partial Reconsideration and/or Clarification of Order No. 38479* (“Order 38653”) in Docket No. 2017-0352. Order 38653 directed the Hawaiian Electric Companies<sup>1</sup> to solicit interested stakeholders to file public comments on the Updated Near-Term Grids Needs Assessments for O‘ahu and Maui, filed on July 29, 2022 in Docket No. 2017-0352 (“Near-Term GNAs”).<sup>2</sup> As such, the Companies request that interested stakeholders file public comments on the Near Term GNAs in Docket No. 2017-0352 within thirty (30) days of this filing. Alternatively, stakeholders may submit comments to the following e-mail accounts: [oahurenewablerfp@hawaiianelectric.com](mailto:oahurenewablerfp@hawaiianelectric.com) and [mauirenewablerfp@hawaiianelectric.com](mailto:mauirenewablerfp@hawaiianelectric.com). The Companies will file comments received via e-mail in Docket No. 2017-0352 within thirty (30) days of this filing.

This solicitation will also be made available to the public on the Companies' website at <https://www.hawaiianelectric.com/competitivebidding>. In addition, the Companies will send out an e-mail notification of this solicitation to industry stakeholders, encouraging comment on the Near-Term GNAs.

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<sup>1</sup> Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. (“Hawaiian Electric”), Hawai'i Electric Light Company, Inc. (“Hawai'i Electric Light”), and Maui Electric Company, Limited (“Maui Electric”) are collectively referred to as the “Hawaiian Electric Companies” or “Companies”.

<sup>2</sup> See Order 38653 at 28, citing Letter from M. Asano to Commission re: Docket No. 2017-0352 – To Institute a Proceeding Relating to Competitive Procurement of Dispatchable and Renewable Generation; “Updated Oahu and Maui Island Near Term Grid Needs Assessment,” filed on July 29, 2022.

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The Companies look forward to receiving feedback from interested stakeholders to assist with launching and executing a competitive and successful procurement.

Sincerely,

/s/ Marc Asano

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