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Hawaiian Electric to host virtual public meeting on plans for firm renewable energy on O‘ahu *Company seeking public input prior to filing draft RFP*

HONOLULU, Feb. 17, 2022 – To help meet Hawai‘i’s decarbonization goals, Hawaiian Electric will file a draft Request for Proposals for firm renewable energy procurement for O‘ahu.

Firm renewable energy differs from intermittent resources such as solar and wind in that it is available for use at all times, except when undergoing maintenance. This has been an important part of Hawaiian Electric’s plans dating back to its 2016 Power Supply Improvement Plan.

Hawaiian Electric will host a virtual community meeting at **6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24**, to seek public input prior to filing the draft RFP. How to join:

- Attend via Microsoft Teams hawaiianelectric.com/communitymeetings
- Tune in live on Hawaiian Electric’s Facebook page or live on ‘Ōlelo 49

Participants are encouraged to ask questions and provide feedback during the meeting.

Questions can be sent in advance to oahurenwablerfp@hawaiianelectric.com. The event will be recorded. For more information go to hawaiianelectric.com/communitymeetings.

Hawaiian Electric will be seeking proposals to acquire 500 to 700 megawatts of energy from firm renewable generation resources. Proposals also will be accepted from existing firm generation projects for new terms after conversion to using renewable fuels. If approved, the projects are expected to come online by 2031. The timeline for proposals, subject to PUC approval, is:

| Milestone | Schedule Dates |
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| Technical Status Conference | March 14, 2022 |
| Parties and Participants file Comments by | April 4, 2022 |
| PUC Review and Order to Release RFP | May 9, 2022 |
| Proposed Final RFP filed by | May 31, 2022 |
| Final RFP Approved and issued by | June 30, 2022 |
| Hawaiian Electric Proposal Due Date | Sept. 29, 2022, at 2 p.m. HST |
| IPP and Affiliate Proposal Due Date | Sept. 30, 2022, at 2 p.m. HST |
| Selection of Priority List | Dec. 16, 2022 |
| Best and Final Offers Due | Dec. 23, 2022 |