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## CHAMPLEY APPOINTED PUC COMMISSIONER

**NEWS RELEASE** 

HONOLULU – Governor Neil Abercrombie announced the appointment of Michael Champley as commissioner to the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission (PUC) on September 15, 2011. He began serving on the PUC on an interim basis after being sworn into office on September 22. His appointment is subject to confirmation by the Hawaii State Senate when the Legislature convenes for its 2012 session.

Commissioner Champley has over 40 years of experience analyzing, integrating and managing complex economic, public policy and technical issues confronting an evolving regulated energy utility industry. Prior to his appointment, Commissioner Champley was a Maui-based senior energy consultant focused on clean energy resource integration in Hawai'i supporting clients including the Blue Planet Foundation.

Prior to re-locating to Hawaii, Commissioner Champley was a senior executive with DTE Energy, a major electric and gas energy company where he held various executive positions including Senior Vice President-Regulatory Affairs and Senior Vice President-Power Supply.

Commissioner Champley holds a BS in Electrical Engineering from the University of Dayton and a MBA from Indiana University with emphasis in Finance and Public Utility Economics and Regulation.

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