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Hawaii PUC Docket 2022-0250 | Energy Equity Proceeding
Interim Discussions to Incorporate Equity in Requests for Proposals (RFPs) Workstream
Meeting 3 (virtual)
December 12, 2023 9:00am-12noon

MEETING TOPIC
Incorporating equity into RFP bid evaluation
proposed solutions: Non-Price Criteria and Community Benefit Packages
(a continuation from Meeting 2 -- November 30, 2023)

AGENDA

- I. Welcome, Introductions, and Meeting Overview
- II. Framing Today's Conversation
- III. Non-Price Criteria in the IGP RFPs
 - o Activity
 - o Discussion
- IV. Break
- V. Community Benefits Packages in the IGP RFPs
 - o Activity
 - o Discussion
- VI. Closing and Next Steps

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General Comments from break-out groups:

Non-Price Criteria

- Potential additional criteria include:
 - o Project siting (2)
 - o Economic benefits (4)
 - Jobs
 - o Safety
 - o Resilience
 - o Community outreach/co-design (3)
 - o Environmental Considerations
 - o Project scale
 - o Land use/dual use

Community Benefit Packages

- Potential additional examples for inclusion in packages include:
 - o Direct bill credits
 - o Community ownership (2)

- Agreements that are enforceable through PPA
- Defining community consensus
- More community engagement (2)
- Customizable benefits by community
- Publicly available rubric from HECO on developer community engagement
- Greater benefits (more than \$3k/MW/year)
- Empower communities to draft agreements
- Better definitions of host community
- Shift from packages to programs
- Communities should be partners, not recipients
- Preferential rates

Other Notes

- engage in co-creation
- concern on what community engagement means
 - examples for developers would be useful
- Who is the “affected community”, and how to define?
- Presenting to community early and often is critical
- assessing for quality, was the process one-directional or bi-directional/co-design
- Challenges – getting a good team, a good facilitation team, funding
- Understanding impacts to local economy is important
- environmental mindsets
- community engagement considerations
 - how to put it on equal footing
 - defining the community in that ownership
 - decision-making power within the community
- Distribution for large vs. small (size of projects)
 - as it relates to community opposition
 - trade off of meeting the 2045 goals
- shared ownership
- What type of outreach – educational vs. collaborative
- Reframing to a community benefits program
 - more long term in how it operates
- Incorporating community ownership
- Look to models in UK, Scotland, Ireland, for benefit packages
- Trying to create a model w/incentive for BOTH community & developer (Uluono has proposed ideas)