



PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Public Utilities Commission conducts public hearing on rate changes for Hawaii Water Service's Ka'anapali Division

HONOLULU – The Hawai'i Public Utilities Commission will hold a public hearing July 8 on the rate application by Hawaii Water Service Company Inc..

Hawaii Water Service seeks a revenue increase of 9.37% or \$658,651 for its operations. Hawaii Water proposes to accomplish this increase via, among other things: (1) a modification of the residential consumption charge from a single rate into a tiered system; (2) a 54.2% percent increase in monthly meter charges; (3) a reduction in the non-residential consumption charge by 20.5%; and (4) the addition of a non-residential conservation surcharge.

The application also proposes to implement two tariff riders which would offer a refund of \$13.89 per month for 84 months due to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and a surcharge of \$13.06 per month for 30 months to collect deferred COVID-19 expenses.

Hawaii Water Service also requests approval for an emergency revenue mechanism balancing account, which the company states would decouple sales from revenue on an interim basis, due to uncertainty around the recovery and reconstruction of Lahaina from the August 2023 Maui wildfires.

All are invited to attend and provide oral comments during the hearing. Written comments are also encouraged and should reference Docket No. 2022-0140.

Date: Monday, July 8

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Lahaina Intermediate School Cafeteria, 871 Lahainaluna Rd., Lahaina

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