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IN THE MATTER OF

Contested Case Hearing Re Conservation District Use Application (CDUA) HA-3568 for the Thirty Meter Telescope at the Mauna Kea Science Reserve, Ka'ohe Mauka, Hāmakua, Hawai'i, TMK (3) 4-4-015:009 Case No. BLNR-CC-16-002

APPLICANT UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT HILO'S **STATEMENT OF POSITION RE SCHEDULING**;
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

CONTESTED CASE HEARING

DATE:

OCTOBER 18, 2016

TIME:

10:00 A.M.

JUDGE:

HON. RIKI MAY AMANO

(RET.) HEARING OFFICER

APPLICANT UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT HILO'S STATEMENT OF POSITION RE SCHEDULING

The UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT HILO ("University"), through counsel, submits this statement regarding the current scheduling of the contested case hearing set to commence on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 in Hilo, Hawai'i to the Board of Land and Natural Resources and Hearing Officer for consideration.

The University is ready to proceed with the contested case hearing. As the applicant, the

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University has a right to a timely contested case hearing on the merits of its pending conservation district use application, and maintains that the parties to this case were given adequate notice of the Hearing Officer's intent to schedule the contested case hearing to commence in October. However, the University acknowledges that objections have been lodged by various parties to the current schedule based on the timing of the issuance of certain orders on substantive motions and related periods for reconsideration of those orders. The University believes that it would be in the interest of all parties to resolve those concerns, which have been further exacerbated by Mr. Wurdeman's last minute withdrawal as counsel from these proceedings, prior to the commencement of the contested case hearing. The University is therefore agreeable to a short and reasonable postponement to the start of the evidentiary hearings in this contested case proceeding to allow for the final disposition (including rulings on any motions for reconsideration) of all substantive motions that have been filed to date. ¹

To facilitate the orderly scheduling of new dates for the evidentiary hearing within a reasonable amount of time, the University proposes that the Hearing Officer put forth an alternative schedule, and allow the parties five (5) business days upon which to respond to the proposed schedule. Should a party object to the newly proposed dates, such objections should be supported with specific details, attested to under oath; and, if a preexisting unavailability is claimed, with admissible evidence to support the claim of unavailability. Such parties should also provide alternative dates on which they would be available. Due process affords the petitioners and intervenors to this case the right to notice and *an opportunity* to be heard; it does

¹ The University notes that the deadline for substantive motions has long since passed, and should be enforced as the parties were given ample time to present their motions. The University, therefore, submits that no further substantive motions should be permitted; and, any efforts to file such motions absent an appropriate showing of cause and grant of leave from the Hearing Officer should be stricken.

not guarantee them the right to be heard on the dates of their choice. As noted above, the University also has due process rights to a timely hearing on its application. Accordingly, upon receipt of all comments to the proposed schedule, the Hearing Officer should set a final new schedule, with due consideration to these varied interests.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, October 13, 2016.

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