

**Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) / Fuel Off-Take Agreement
Hawaii Public Utilities Commission (PUC)**

Purpose: To allow the public utility to purchase power from an independent power producer.

Approval Authority: Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 269; various Hawaii Administrative Rules

Potential Approval Prerequisites: If necessary, complete the Transmission Line Approval process as required transmission line upgrades and their associated costs are determined in conjunction with the PPA process.

Fees: No application fee.

For More Information:

PUC Homepage: <http://puc.hawaii.gov/>

Contact Information: PUC (808) 586-2020

Estimated Time for Permit Approval Decision from Application Acceptance: See Checklist / Process

| Checklist / Process | Chronology |
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| 1. Working closely with the applicant's attorney and the local utility (i.e., HECO or KIUC), the PPA is negotiated and executed on a case-by-case basis. | Generally, 1 to 2 years |
| 2. The utility files the PPA application with the PUC. A docket is created and a number is assigned. | |
| 3. Deadline to file a motion to intervene or participate in the PPA process. | 20 days after Step 2 |
| 4. PUC grants or denies motion(s) to intervene or participate. | |
| 5. PUC orders the parties to submit a stipulated procedural order that determines the timetable for the docket. | |
| 6. The parties, including the utility and Consumer Advocate (CA) and any other parties, file the stipulated procedural order. | |
| 7. PUC approves, disapproves, or approves with modifications the stipulated procedural order. | |
| 8. CA and other parties file its information requests. | |
| 9. Utility files its response to the information requests. | |
| 10. CA and other parties file its supplemental information requests, if any. | |
| 11. Utility files its response to the supplemental information requests, if any. | |

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| 12. CA files its statement of position with the PUC. | |
| 13. Utility files its reply statement of position if the CA objects to the approval of the PPA docket or requests approval with conditions. | |
| 14. PUC approves, approves with conditions, or denies the application. | 180 days from Step 2 or as outlined in Step 5 |
| Estimated Time from Completed Application Acceptance | 6-18+ months |

Other Application Considerations:

- All PUC dockets can be accessed electronically through the PUC's Document Management System: <http://dms.puc.hawaii.gov/dms/>
- Applicants are responsible to ensure compliance with all other applicable federal regulations (e.g., Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission).
- Utilities may require permitting benchmarks as conditions of the power purchase or fuel offtake agreement.