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Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection  
January 27, 2010 8:00 am

HB 1855

Aloha Kakou,

The Kanaka Council Moku O Keawe strongly opposes HB 1855. HECO should be implementing best practices at all levels. This bill is designed to make money for their investors and not to help the rate payers. Profit is the driving force for HECO, HELCO, Maui Electric etc.....they should switch to renewable energy.

HELCO has the opportunity to buy 90 MW of power from Puna Geothermal Venture but only purchases 30 MW of power and pays \$.07 per kilowatt hours and charge the rate payer \$.49 per kw. The reason given is that they are committed to buying fuel oil on a long term basis and generating power from 2 of the highest polluting plants in Hawaii. HECO needs to clean up its act and not use the rate payer as a money resource for their investors.

Do not pass this bill because it is "HEWA".

Mahalo nui loa,  
Kale Gumapac  
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