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SUPPORT FOR SCR 122

Aloha Chair Inouye, Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Wakai, and Committee Members:

Blue Planet Foundation supports this resolution. The Hawaiian Electric Companies recently submitted a quantitative analysis of energy resource plans. Amongst the key conclusions of this analysis, the modeling efforts of the companies “confirm[ed] that **the least-cost pathways to achieving 100 percent renewable energy in Hawaii must take maximum advantage of federal tax subsidies before they phase out** completely in the early 2020s.”

Based on this, renewable energy projects such as offshore wind should be considered and evaluated on a timescale that would enable this least-cost pathway.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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