UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION May 17, 2010

ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Hawaiian Electric Industries, Inc. File No. 001-08503 – CF# 25203

Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. File No. 001-04955 – CF# 25203

Hawaiian Electric Industries, Inc. and Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 10-Q filed on May 10, 2010.

Based on representations by Hawaiian Electric Industries, Inc. and Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.4 through December 31, 2014

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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