KIUC Restores Power Following Islandwide Outage

Līhuʻe, Kauaʻi, HI - 11/05/18 – A trip at KIUC’s Kapaia Power Station at 12:04 p.m. this afternoon led to a power outage affecting all of KIUC’s 25,800 members.

Power continued to be supplied to the grid for approximately nine minutes following the trip, in large part due to KIUC’s battery storage facilities. The cause of the island wide outage, which occurred at 12:13 p.m, is under investigation.

Additional units at KIUC’s Port Allen Generating Station were immediately started, and power restoration began at approximately 12:42 p.m. All members were restored by 1:36 p.m.

“Fortunately, KIUC has enough generating capacity in Port Allen to support the grid even if Kapaia isn’t available,” stated KIUC’s power supply manager, Brad Rockwell.

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Photo caption: Aerial view of Kapaia Power Station and nearby Tesla solar storage facility