Due to the current concerns regarding COVID-19, the Governor of the State of Hawai‘i issued an Emergency Proclamation on March 5, 2020 and a Supplementary Emergency Proclamation on March 16, 2020. These proclamations, among other things, gave agencies the ability to conduct certain hearings by telephone or video conference without the physical presence of the parties at the same location, and suspend certain rules, statutory requirements, and administrative hearing procedures as needed to deal with the emergency situation brought on by COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, the Governor further ordered all non-essential state workers to work remotely.

On March 22, 2020, the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu issued an Emergency Order requiring, among other things, that all residents of the City and County of Honolulu stay at their place of residence, except to perform “Essential Activities,” “Essential Governmental Functions,” or to operate “Essential Businesses.” The Hawai‘i Labor Relations Board (Board) is located within the City and County of Honolulu.

On March 23, 2020, the Board issued Order No. 3595, Emergency Order Regarding All Proceedings Before the Hawai‘i Labor Relations Board. Order No. 3595, among other things,
states that the Board will specifically make findings as to which cases are a “Priority” and not subject to the suspensions found in Order No. 3595.

**The Board hereby designates the instant case as a “Priority.”**

Accordingly, all dates and deadlines previously scheduled in this case, including but not limited to those in the Pretrial Order and Notices and any amendments to the Pretrial Order and Notices, and those previously scheduled by any Notice or Order, remain in effect, subject to any subsequent orders by the Board.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai‘i, March 23, 2020

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