## HOW CAN THE CUSTOMER BECOME AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE ENERGY LANDSCAPE

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## Ray Starling: How can the customer become an active participant in the energy landscape?

#### **#1 Start with Energy Efficiency**

- Efficiency is Hawaii's most versatile and cost-effective grid resource
- Start with energy efficiency and everything gets easier, smaller and less costly
- Efficiency reductions <u>yield</u> comparable <u>firm generation reductions</u>
- Key Allies: Honeywell, OPower, Blue Planet UH, Helen Wai, EEFG, Kanu, KUPU, NEED

#### #2 View Customers as Grid Partners

- Treat customers like they are <u>full partners</u> in Hawaii's clean energy effort or else . . .
- Educate customers as to how they can participate profitably in the clean energy grid
- Let customers take or produce on the grid at prices that encourage desired grid behavior

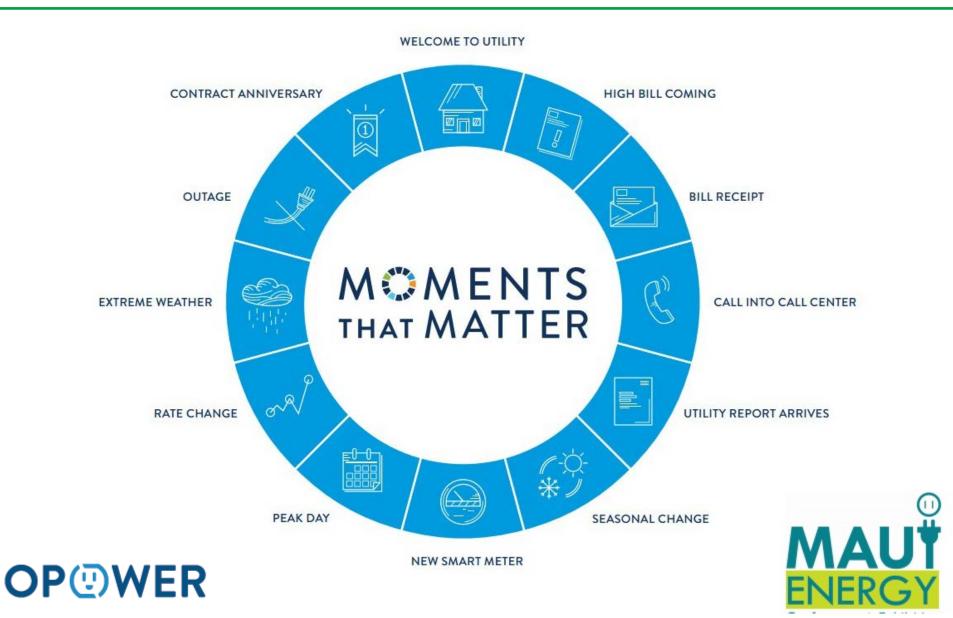
#### #3 Provide Real -Time Price Signals

- Provide a smart meter infrastructure that allows both buying and selling at variable rates <u>that reflect</u> <u>positive or negative impact on the grid</u>
- Deliver real-time utility price signals that incentivize customers to help clean energy





## Matt O'Keefe: How can the customer become an active participant in the energy landscape?



## Kimberly Williams: How can the customer become an active participant in the energy landscape?

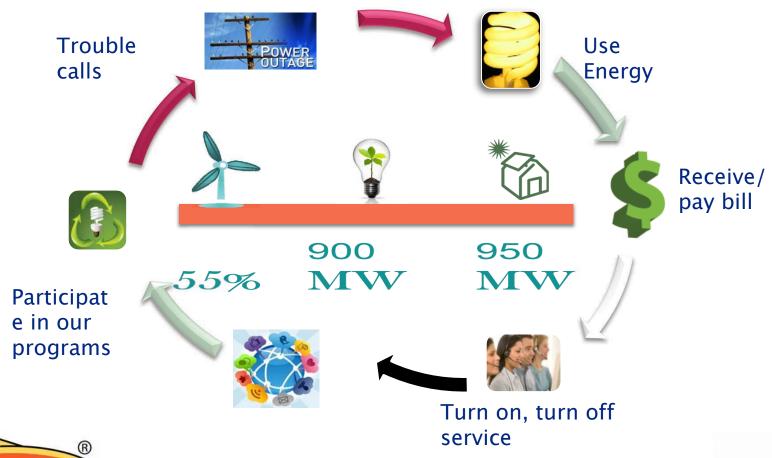






## **Debbie Kimberly**: How can the customer become an active participant in the energy landscape?

#### Leverage Customer 'Moments of Truth'











## **Debbie Kimberly**: What is the single most important change to get customer engagement to occur?

- Develop products and services that customers value
- Listen to what customers say; pay attention to what they do
- Communicate in terms that customers understand, via media customers use





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Install and use smart meter infrastructure with variable real-time rates that are based on the customer's benefit or burden to the grid. . .

The rest will take care of itself





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# TRANSFORMATION REQUIRES INTEGRATORS TO ENTER THE SECTOR FROM OTHER INDUSTRIES







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### Personalization





