

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC INDUSTRIES INC  
Form 8-K  
January 06, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report: **January 6, 2012**

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Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter	Commission File Number	I.R.S. Employer Identification No.
<b>Hawaiian Electric Industries, Inc.</b>	1-8503	99-0208097

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**State of Hawaii**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**900 Richards Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

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(808) 543-5662

**None**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

Since August 18, 2011, Hawaiian Electric Industries, Inc. (HEI) has been satisfying the requirements of the HEI Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan (DRIP), HEI Retirement Savings Plan (HEIRSP), American Savings Bank (ASB) 401(k) Plan and other plans through open market purchases of its common stock. HEI has determined that it will begin satisfying the requirements of the DRIP, HEIRSP, ASB 401(k) Plan and other plans through new issuances of its common stock beginning January 9, 2012 or soon thereafter.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC  
INDUSTRIES, INC.  
(Registrant)

/s/ James A. Ajello

James A. Ajello

Executive Vice President,

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

(Principal Financial Officer of HEI)

Date: January 6, 2012