

1 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**
2 **OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
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4 Order Instituting Investigation Into Implementation)
5 of Assembly Bill 970 Regarding the Identification of)
6 Electric Transmission and Distribution Constraints,) Investigation 00-11-001
7 Actions to Resolve Those Constraints, and Related)
8 Matters Affecting the Reliability of Electric Supply.)
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10 **PREPARED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF DENNY C. BROWN**
11 **ON BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION**
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15 Denny C. Brown presents this testimony. Mr. Brown's qualifications are attached as
16 Exhibit A.
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18 Q. On whose behalf are you submitting this testimony?

19 A. I am submitting this testimony on behalf of the California Energy Commission
20 (CEC).
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22 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

23 A. The purpose of my testimony is to document the out-of-state generation forecasts
24 that were used in the Scenario Analysis for the Southern California Long-Term
25 Transmission Study Matrix (Scenario Analysis) for Investigation No. 00-11-001.
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27 Q. How did you derive those out-of-state generation forecasts?

28 A. To develop this database, I gathered information from various sources on
29 proposed generation and retirements within the Western Systems Coordinating
30 Council (WSCC) region. Those sources included discussions with state regulatory
31 agencies, monitoring regulatory agency websites, reading energy industry
32 newsletters, visiting corporate and municipal utility websites, and making
33 telephone calls to project developers. Based on this information, the projects are
34 assigned by status to one of the following categories:
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- 1 1. Under construction or recently completed
- 2 2. Regulatory approval received
- 3 3. Application under review
- 4 4. Stating application process
- 5 5. Press release

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7 Thus, the CEC's "Database of Proposed Generation Within the Western Systems
8 Coordinating Council" provides a list of publicly announced generation projects and
9 proposals within the WSCC region. This database was developed to assist CEC staff
10 with its biennial Market Clearing Price (MCP) outlook. This database is only used for
11 tracking the status of new generation projects, and is not intended to suggest or predict
12 the probability of projects being completed.

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14 Q. Does this complete your testimony?

15 A. Yes, it does.

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1 **Exhibit A**

2 **Statement of Qualifications**

3 **Denny C. Brown**

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5 Denny C. Brown is an Energy Analyst with the California Energy Commission (CEC).
6 Since July 1999, Mr. Brown has worked in the Electricity Analysis Office of the CEC. Mr.
7 Brown evaluates electricity generation and transmission market structures, analyzes
8 western United States market developments, evaluates and implements methods to
9 assess the electricity sector, and maintains a database and website on proposed
10 electricity generation within the western system.

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12 Before joining the CEC, Mr. Brown served in the United States Air Force as a
13 Telecommunications Specialist where he performed telecommunications analysis and
14 support duties. After separating from the military, Mr. Brown worked at Franklin
15 Resources, Inc., as a Fund Information Specialist performing mutual fund investment
16 analysis and providing mutual fund information to top producing brokers and large
17 account shareholders.

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19 Mr. Brown's educational background includes a Bachelor of General Studies in General
20 Administration from the University of Nebraska, Omaha.

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