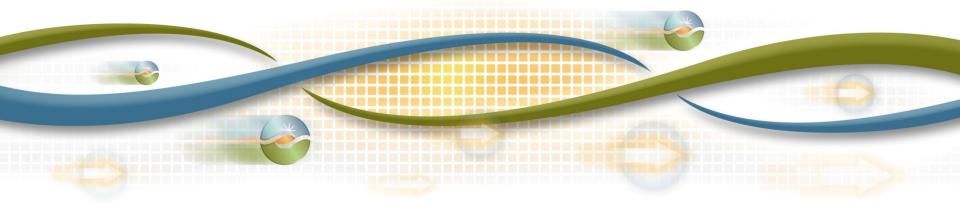


Decision on conditional approval to extend existing reliability must-run contracts for 2016

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Management is requesting conditional approval to extend reliability must-run contracts for 2016.

- Reliability must-run designations are conditionally extended because:
 - Resource adequacy capacity from one specific unit may not be contracted by a load serving entity; and
 - There is a reliability need in the local area as determined by ISO studies.
- Resource adequacy capacity is contracted, however if the ISO determines that:
 - It needs certain reliability services not provided by the resource adequacy contract;
 - A unit may exercise market power for energy; or
 - Existing contractual arrangements may preclude the availability of that unit without a reliability must-run contract.



The resource adequacy process follows a pre-determined timeline:

- September 15, CPUC jurisdictional load serving entities make preliminary resource adequacy showings
- ISO management makes 2016 RMR recommendations from units currently under contract
 - Oakland units 1-3
 - Huntington Beach synchronous condensers 3-4
- ISO Board authorizes Management to conditionally extend reliability must-run contracts
- October 1 letters for RMR extensions or terminations are sent to resource owners (after the showings are known).



Authority is being sought to:

- Extend existing reliability must-run contract for 2016 conditional upon results of resource adequacy showings process for Oakland combustion turbines and the Huntington Beach 3 & 4 synchronous condensers
- Management will report back the results of the reliability must-run contract extensions at the November Board meeting.

