

EnerNOC Comments on
California Demand Response: A Vision for the Future

1. We completely support the idea that “demand response should be designed to be customer friendly, simple and easy to understand.” We look forward to participating in the working group process to help this vision become a reality.
2. Since there are so many objectives/goals included in this Vision, it would be helpful if this document outlined a timeframe for this Vision to be incorporated and prioritized the objectives/goals.
3. The “Definition” section should distinguish the current role of Demand Response Providers from their anticipated role in future and indicate timeframe for each. The issue of needing more clarity around who will be providing DR going forward has come up in other Working Group meetings, and while CAISO has made it clear that they intend to provide the software functionality for Demand Response Providers to bid DR load into the CAISO, the policy direction for this change needs to come from the CPUC.
4. The “Objectives” section could be strengthened by turning the statements into specific objectives with obtainable results. We made an attempt to do this in our detailed comments – attached.
5. The document is divided into “Objectives” and “Goals and Principles.” Please clarify how these are different. There is a certain amount of redundancy between the two sections with the same goal/objective stated more than once and included under a variety of headings in the document.
6. The “Technologies and Infrastructure” section needs elaboration on how these goals differ from the goal to have advanced metering systems for all customers. Many of these ideas appear to go above and beyond AMI, which is already approved. Is there a timeframe for this?
7. Specific suggestions included as attachment (Redline Version of Vision document)