

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

California Independent System Operator  
Corporation  
Docket Nos. OA08-62-006  
OA08-62-007  
**May 25, 2010**

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California Independent System Operator Corporation  
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Attention: Judith B. Sanders, Esquire  
Senior Counsel

Reference: Compliance Filing -Transmission Planning Process

Dear Mr. Ward and Ms. Sanders:

On March 22, 2010, as amended on April 20, 2010, you filed, on behalf of the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO), proposed tariff sheets to reflect further revisions to the transmission planning process under the CAISO's Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). This compliance filing was made pursuant to the Commission's January 21, 2010 Order issued in Docket Nos. OA08-62-005.<sup>1</sup> The proposed tariff sheets, as amended, comply with the directives of the January 21<sup>st</sup> Order. Accordingly, the proposed tariff sheets, as amended, are accepted for filing effective

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<sup>1</sup> The Commission conditionally accepted the CAISO's previous transmission planning process filing subject to a further compliance filing. *California Ind. Sys. Operator Corp.*, 130 FERC ¶ 61,048 (2010) (January 21<sup>st</sup> Order).

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September 29, 2008, consistent with the effective date granted in the January 21<sup>st</sup> Order.

This filing, as amended, was noticed on March 24 and April 21, 2010 with comments, protests, or motions to intervene due on or before April 12, and May 11, 2010, respectively. On April 12, 2010, the Bay Area Municipal Transmission Group (BAMx) filed a limited protest. Specifically, BAMx stated that the CAISO had failed to include language in the tariff that the base cases would be posted as soon as possible after the final study plan is posted. On April 21, 2010, the CAISO amended its compliance filing to address BAMx's concerns. No additional comments were received in response to the notice of the CAISO's amended tariff provision. As such, the filing, as amended, is uncontested. Notices of intervention and unopposed timely filed motions to intervene are granted pursuant to the operation of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.214). Any opposed or untimely filed motion to intervene is governed by the provisions of Rule 214.

This acceptance for filing shall not be construed as constituting approval of the referenced filing or of any rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation or practice affecting such rate or service provided for in the filed documents; nor shall such acceptance be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation associated therewith; and such acceptance is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or any which may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against the California Independent System Operator Corporation.

This action is taken pursuant to authority delegated to the Director, Division of Electric Power Regulation - West under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307. This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

Steve P. Rodgers, Director  
Division of Electric Power  
Regulation – West

cc: All Parties