

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
BEFORE THE  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**California Independent System Operator     )                     AC08-\_\_\_\_\_**

**PETITION OF THE CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR  
TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR FILING FORM 3-Q**

The California Independent System Operator Corporation, or "ISO", submits this petition (see 18 C.F.R. § 207) to request an extension of time to file the Form 3-Q for the third quarter of 2008.

The CAISO requires additional time to obtain and verify the energy load information that is necessary to complete pages 331, 399 and 400a of the form. This data will not be available to ISO's Finance office until the week of December 29. For that reason, and given the year-end holidays, the ISO believes that it can file the Form 3-Q on January 9, 2009. Accordingly, the ISO asks the Commission to extend the filing deadline by six weeks. Granting this request would be consistent with the extensions that the Commission's Chief Accountant has granted the CAISO previously, including for its second quarter Form 3-Q. See Letter issued September 19, 2008 in Docket No. AC08-168 (granting a four-week extension until September 29, 2008 to file Form 3-Q for the second quarter).

Consistent with the September 19 letter, the ISO reserves the right to seek additional extensions if necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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