



Power Watch

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Powerful Habits

- **Set thermostat at 78 degrees or higher**
- **Cool with fans**
- **Draw the drapes**
- **Turn off unnecessary lights and appliances**
- **Use big appliances in early morning or late at night**



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Stage One Emergency

Consumers are urged to reduce their use of electricity voluntarily to avoid severe conditions.

Stage Two Emergency

Voluntary interruption of service to select customers is possible to avoid more severe conditions.

Stage Three Emergency

Consumers are advised that involuntary interruptions of service have begun and will continue until the emergency has passed.

Tuesday, August 10, 2004 at 4:30 p.m.

Today was another record-setting day for energy usage in the California ISO Control Area with a peak of 44,497 megawatts at 4:30 p.m. The previous usage record was set last month on July 21 at 44,360 MW.

Conservation plays a key role in helping the California ISO balance the demand for energy with the available supply. During electrical emergencies conservation becomes a critical factor in avoiding or reducing the impact of rotating blackouts.

24-Hour Outlook for Wednesday, August 11th

California ISO Declares a

Flex Your Power Now Power Watch Day

Wednesday is the fourth day of a triple-digit heat wave in the state's inland areas that continues to drive the demand for power. Conservation will be key to meeting the afternoon demand which may very well set another usage record. The California ISO requests the state's consumers watch their energy consumption, curtailing the use of electricity whenever possible, especially in the high demand afternoon hours between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

- Stage One: Possible Stage Two: Unlikely Stage Three: Unlikely
- Forecast peak demand: **46,020 megawatts** between 4:30-5:00 p.m.

This advisory is based on the best data available at the time of its release. Grid conditions can change rapidly. Information about the electricity supply within the California ISO's control area and the current demand on the system is available at www.caiso.com.