Who is the California ISO?

The California Independent System Operator (California ISO) is a not-for-profit, public benefit corporation that manages the State’s electric grid.

The California ISO does not own generators, power lines, or the power itself.

California’s electric grid was formerly operated in three separate areas by Southern California Edison, San Diego Gas and Electric, and Pacific Gas and Electric.

Merging the three areas under the Independent System Operator provides economies of scale and allows all qualified energy companies to use the grid to deliver electricity.

Competition among generators has reduced costs for consumers, and open access to the grid has promoted development of new renewable “green” energy sources like wind, solar, and geothermal.

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