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STAGE 1 EMERGENCY Operating reserves forecast to fall to between 7% - 6%

STAGE 2 EMERGENCY Operating reserves forecast to fall below 5%

STAGE 3 EMERGENCY Operating reserves forecast to fall below 3%

TRANSMISSION EMERGENCIES

Declared when local voltage levels are at risk due to sudden power line outages or when fires threaten the grid.

All-time peak (7/24/06): 50,270 MW

CONSERVATION TIPS

- Turn off unneeded lights
- Use appliances in the late evening
- Adjust A/C to 78 degrees or higher; turn off if away
- Pull drapes and turn on fans
- Set pool pumps for overnight
- Saving water saves energy. Avoid using water between 4-6 p.m. on Flex Alert days



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Reminder: Day 2 of Flex Alert! ISO thanks Northern Californians and urges them to keep up the good work

The California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO) is reminding Northern Californians that a *Flex Alert* is in effect today, **Tuesday, July 2, 2013**. Consumers are encouraged to reduce their energy use between noon and 7 p.m., as air conditioners drive peak demand.

Actual peak demand was significantly under forecast yesterday, coming in at about 45,000 megawatts. A major factor in the reduced demand was Southern CA temperatures coming under forecast. However, Northern California peak demand was expected to break the all-time peak record and came in significantly shy of that 20,642 MW (record is 22,726 set on 7/25/06), which indicates that demand response programs and the voluntary conservation from the Flex Alert were very helpful in reducing the strain on the grid.

The ISO thanks its media partners and Northern Californians for their tremendous efforts and urges them to do the same during today's *Flex Alert.* Go to www.flexalert.org or www.caiso.com for conservation tips.

Today: Northern California-only *Flex Alert* **Day! Tuesday, July 2, 2013:** noon to 7 p.m. Forecast peak demand: 47,000+ MW around 4:30 p.m.

24-hours ahead: POTENTIAL Northern California-only *Flex Alert* Day Wednesday, July 3, 2013: noon to 7 p.m. Forecast peak demand: 46,000+ MW around 4:30 p.m.

Please monitor the California ISO website at www.caiso.com for updated information. Track grid conditions in real time via smart phones by going to your app store for a free download of *ISO Today*.

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