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Stage One Electrical Emergency Issued

Call for Statewide Conservation Heightened

(Folsom, CA) The California Independent System Operator Corporation (California ISO) issued a Stage One Electrical Emergency for 3:20 to 8:00 pm today, continuing the call for energy conservation. Temperatures throughout the southwest continue to climb, decreasing the availability of imported power. That coupled with low hydro levels and high inland temperatures is creating the need to access operating reserves. A Stage One – a call for voluntary conservation – is triggered by a seven percent reserve margin.

Yesterday the California ISO issued a Flex Alert for today and tomorrow. A California ISO media spokesperson is available on site at the Alhambra control room (contact Gregg Fishman at 916/802-9323).

Powerful Habits at Home:

- Set your thermostat at 78 degrees or higher when home, off when away. People with disability, seniors or anyone who has difficulty regulating body temperatures are asked to take the necessary precautions to safeguard your health.
- Avoid using unnecessary lighting and appliances during the peak usage period from 4 to 6 pm
- Turn off your pool pump and avoid outdoor watering during peak hours.

For more information on how to conserve electricity, refer to the tips below or visit the Flex Your Power website at www.FlexYourPower.org. The California ISO website www.caiso.com features Today's Outlook, which allows the media and the public to follow grid conditions in real time.

The California ISO is a not-for-profit public benefit corporation charged with managing the flow of electricity along California's open-market wholesale power grid. The mission of the California ISO is to safeguard the reliable delivery of electricity, and ensure equal access to 25,000 circuit miles of "electron highway." As the impartial operator of the wholesale power grid in the state, the California ISO conducts a small portion of the bulk power markets. These markets are used to allocate space on the transmission lines, maintain operating reserves and match supply with demand in real time.

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