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Pursuant to Article 8 of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure, the California Independent System Operator Corporation ("ISO") hereby files this notice of the following oral ex parte communication with Damon Franz, advisor to Commission President Michael R. Peevey.

On March 13, 2012, beginning at approximately 3:00 pm, Phil Pettingill, Director of Regulatory Policy, John Goodin, Regulatory Policy Lead, and John Anders, Senior Counsel, met with Mr. Franz and Nancy Ryan, Deputy Executive Director for the Commission, at the Commission's offices in Sacramento. The meeting was requested by Damon Franz.

During the meeting, the ISO provided an overview of recent Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Orders on demand response, including Order 745 and Order 745-A, and the ISO efforts to comply with these directives. This discussion served as background for a description of how the Commission could support demand response in California that aligned with federal policy. The ISO emphasized its role in the wholesale markets and suggested options to resolve the demand response compensation matters at issue in Phase IV of this proceeding. The ISO also expressed a desire to move forward expeditiously and ensure additional demand response resources are available in the wholesale markets as soon as possible. The above discussion lasted approximately 1 hour. No written materials were provided as part of the communications described in this notice. To request a copy of this notice, please contact Anna Pascuzzo (916-351-2212).

By: /s/John C. Anders

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