

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

California Independent System Operator) Docket No. ER10-500-001
Corporation)

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME OF THE CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT
SYSTEM OPERATOR CORPORATION TO IMPLEMENT SCARCITY PRICING**

I. Introduction

Pursuant to Rules 212 and 2008(a)¹ of the Commission's Rules of Practice, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (the ISO) submits this motion for an extension of time until December 14, 2010 to implement scarcity pricing. This date aligns with the ISO's practice to implement new market releases on the second Tuesday of the month. On June 10, 2010, the Commission issued an order accepting the ISO's scarcity pricing tariff provisions and suspended them for five months, until November 29, 2010, subject to a compliance filing and a further Commission order.² The ISO plans to move its Folsom, California control center to a new building on or about December 1, 2010, and therefore seeks a brief extension of time to implement scarcity pricing.

¹ 18 C.F.R. §§ 385.212, 385.2008(a). Concurrently with this motion, the ISO is filing its tariff provision on compliance and is requesting an effective date for those tariff provisions of December 14, 2010.

² *Cal. Indep. Sys. Operator Corp.*, 131 FERC ¶ 61,280 (2010) ("June 2010 Order").

II. Good cause exists to grant the ISO an extension of time to implement scarcity pricing.

The ISO is in the process of transferring its Folsom, California headquarters to a new building.³ The ISO plans to begin conducting parallel operations at its new control center in Folsom, California during November 2010. The ISO also intends to transfer operations to the new control center on or about December 1, 2010. ISO operational personnel will need to focus on this important work to ensure the transfer of operations to the ISO's new control center is seamless. The ISO, accordingly, seeks to avoid implementing any market software changes near the end of November and first week of December 2010 that may distract from the transfer of operations to the ISO's new control center. For this reason, the ISO believes good cause exists to authorize a short delay for the effective date of scarcity pricing. At the same time, no party should suffer any material prejudice from this short delay. If the Commission grants this request, the ISO will deploy the software code associated with scarcity pricing on December 14, 2010.

III. Conclusion

The Commission should grant the ISO an extension until December 14, 2010 to implement scarcity pricing. Granting this extension will allow the ISO to

³ See e.g. ISO News Release dated May 18, 2009: *New, green headquarters for ISO*. <http://www.caiso.com/23b2/23b2cf8d2c100.pdf>

transfer its Folsom, California control center by December 1, 2010 without the need to also implement market software changes during this time and also aligns with the ISO's practice to implement new market releases on the second Tuesday of the month.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing document upon all of the parties listed on the official service list for the captioned proceeding, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.2010).

Dated at Folsom, California this 23rd day of August 2010.

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