

## **News Release**

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## California ISO "Green Pages" Now On Line

One Stop Shop for Renewable Integration and Smart Grid Info

Web tool practical resource for attendees of ISO's renewable power forum

Advancements in renewable power development and smart grid technologies are creating a new energy future for California, but the wave of diverse power resources pose unique grid challenges and the need for critical infrastructure. Information on the topic is flowing fast and that's why the California Independent System Operation Corporation (California ISO) now offers a centralized way to track the latest developments. It is all within easy reach at <a href="http://www.caiso.com/green/greenhome.html">http://www.caiso.com/green/greenhome.html</a>.

"As the ISO works in collaboration with the industry and stakeholders to create a cleaner, greener power grid, enormous amounts of data and discussion is generated," said ISO Director of Communications Stephanie McCorkle. "To combat information overload, we decided to offer a way to access activities and analytical material. We expect the web resource to grow into a useful tool for anyone trying to keep up with the latest developments in renewable and smart grid advancements in California."

The ISO is supporting California's ambitious goal to "green the grid" in numerous ways. It is working to provide wind and solar power more access to wholesale markets, reducing barriers to consumer-controlled demand response, performing sophisticated engineering analysis to identify key transmission projects and creating new ways for small renewable developers to finance their transmission access to the grid.

The new web pages will be a resource to media and others attending the upcoming Renewable Energy Issues Forum hosted by the California ISO on July 21. The forum will consist of three panel discussions, each comprised of a unique set of industry experts: (1) Policy implications related to a 33% renewables mandate, (2) technology and market solutions for reliable grid operations, and (3) planning opportunities and challenges associated with renewable resources. The half day forum will include a keynote speech by Mary Nichols, Chair of the California Air Resources Board. A paper for the forum is now available via the new "green pages" at <a href="http://www.caiso.com/23f1/23f19422741b0.pdf">http://www.caiso.com/23f1/23f19422741b0.pdf</a>. A full agenda and other details are posted to the California ISO calendar listing.

**Date:** Tuesday, July 21, 2009 **Web Conference Information:** 

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (PDT) Web Address: www.webmeeting.att.com **Place:** California ISO, Board Room, Meeting Number: 5114682337

101 Blue Ravine Road, Folsom CA Access Code: 9341896

**Dial-in Number:** (800) 398-9397 **Media Availability: International Dial-in:** (612) 332-0226 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

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