

January 8, 2024

The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose  
Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

**Re: California Independent System Operator Corporation,  
Docket No. ER06-615-\_\_\_\_  
Informational Filing per CAISO Tariff Sections 30.4.5.4.5 and 39.7.1.3.2  
Request for Privileged Treatment Under 18 C.F.R Section 388.112**

Dear Secretary Bose:

The CAISO submits this informational filing containing the rates or formulas used to calculate negotiated default energy bids, variable operations and maintenance adders, and opportunity costs for the month of December 2023. In these reports, the CAISO includes information on new, revised, or terminated rates and formulas that were implemented in the preceding month. In December 2023, the CAISO terminated twelve (12) and revised two (2) variable operations and maintenance adders (Attachment A). There were no new variable operations and maintenance adders. There were also no new, revised, or terminated opportunity cost adders or negotiated default energy bids in December 2023.

On January 1, 2022, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) implemented new tariff rules applicable to variable operations and maintenance adders set forth in CAISO Tariff Section 30.4.5.4.5. The new variable operations and maintenance adders replace the major maintenance adders, and the custom operations and maintenance adders.

Section 20.2 of the CAISO tariff requires that the CAISO treat individual bids from scheduling coordinators as confidential. Negotiated default energy bids and start-up and minimum load costs, which include variable operations and maintenance adders, are components of bids. Accordingly, pursuant to section 20.2 of the CAISO tariff, the CAISO has labeled the documents included with this filing as confidential. In addition, the documents contain proprietary information regarding specific generating units, such as unit efficiency factors, scaling factors, and operation and maintenance costs. For these reasons, the Commission should accord these attachments privileged treatment pursuant to Section 388.112 of the Commission's regulations.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or concerns regarding the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Informational Filing Pursuant to CAISO Tariff Section 39.7.1.3.2**

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**Attachment A**

***Confidential Variable Operations and Maintenance Adder Information***

**[ATTACHMENT CONSISTS OF PRIVILEGED MATERIAL REDACTED  
PURSUANT TO 18 C.F.R. § 388.112]**

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing document upon the parties listed on the official service list in the above-referenced 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024.

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