

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Attention: Kenneth G. Jaffe, Esquire
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Reference: Joint Statement of Issues

Dear Mr. Jaffe:

On January 4, 2000, you filed, on behalf of the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO), a Joint Statement of Issues of approximately one hundred issues that had been identified as issues to be litigated in Docket No. ER98-3760-000, et al. Proponents and other parties filed joint briefs on or before February 14, 2000. Answers were filed on or before April 10, 2000 and reply briefs were filed on or before May 8, 2000. On November 22, 2002, the Commission issued an Order (November 22 Order) on approximately twenty outstanding rehearing issues in these proceedings.¹ Thus, approximately eighty issues remain outstanding at this time. As the Commission noted in its November 22 order,² the remaining issues not addressed will be addressed in future Commission orders and may be subject to further procedures.

In light of the passage of time and the significant changes in the operations of the ISO market, it appears that some of the outstanding issues not addressed by the November

¹See California Independent System Operator Corporation, 101 FERC ¶ 61,219 (2002), reh'g pending.

²Id. at 61,932.

22 Order may either be moot or no longer of practical interest to the parties that originally raised the issue. Specifically, subsequent revisions to the ISO Tariff, including the ISO's MD02 proposal regarding congestion management, the ISO's proposed changes to metered subsystems, and elimination of the California Power Exchange may have narrowed the number of outstanding issues that require a decision by the Commission. Accordingly, in order to allow for an efficient processing of the remaining outstanding issues in these proceedings, we request that the ISO, working in conjunction with all parties of record in these proceedings, identify which of the remaining outstanding issues remain open and contested, and thus, require a Commission determination.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Coleman
Director, Division of Tariffs and
Market Development - West

cc: Parties of Record