

California Independent System Operator

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT September 30, 2015

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CALIFORNIA ISO SUMMARY, DISCUSSION AND COMMENTARY

For the quarter ended September 30, 2015

Results of Operations

Revenues

Through the third quarter ending September 30, 2015, operating revenues were higher by \$1.1 million compared to the budgeted amounts. The increase is primarily due to higher other revenues of \$2.1 million (specifically, EIM charges and forecasting fees), partially offset by lower GMC revenues of \$1.0 million. Unseasonably cool weather in May and July led to lower GMC revenues, although the deficit was partly reduced by warmer weather in August and September. The Company is monitoring changes in GMC revenues and will adjust rates, if necessary, to align actual GMC revenues closer to budget, as required by the Tariff.

Expenses

Operating expenses are \$4.4 million under budget through the third quarter of the year. All expense categories, with the exception of 'other expenses', are running under budget year to date partly due to the timing of expenses and to the effect of cost savings efforts. Depreciation is lower compared to the same period last year as most of the market systems were fully depreciated as of April 2014.

Material Changes to Assets and Liabilities

Debt service, market collateral transactions, incentive compensation payouts and annual 401k contributions were the primary contributors to the changes in company assets and liabilities during the three quarters.

Capital Projects

Through the quarter ending September 30, 2015, the Corporate Management Committee has approved \$15.2 million in projects against the annual budget of \$20.0 million. Year-to-date actual spending on these and prior years' projects total \$6.2 million and \$3.6 million, respectively.

On June 30, 2015, the Board approved a separate capital project budget of \$30.4 million related to the Lincoln Operations Center. The budget is for the construction of the new operations and data backup facility, which is scheduled for completion in 2017. Actual spending on this project is \$1.5 million

Collateral Held Report

As of October 7, 2015 the ISO maintained \$1.9 billion in collateral from market participants to support \$134.9 million in aggregate liabilities due in the market. Approximately \$1.4 billion of the collateral is from unsecured sources (i.e., unsecured credit limits and parent guarantees) with investment grade or equivalent ratings, and \$481.5 million is from secured forms (i.e., cash and letters of credit). This collateral is predominantly invested in AAA-rated money market funds or backed by A rated or better financial institutions.

CALIFORNIA ISO STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the quarter ended September 30, 2015 (dollars in thousands)

	Quarter			Year to Date				Year to Date		
	Actual Prior Year		Actual		Prior Year			Budget		
Operating revenues:			•							
Grid management charge	\$	57,231	\$	56,948	\$	149,457	\$	149,971	\$	150,422
Other revenues		2,258		2,048		7,610		5,491		5,550
Total operating revenues		59,489		58,996		157,067		155,462		155,972
Operating expenses:										
Salaries and benefits		26,787		26,051		84,942		82,310		86,332
Building, leases and facility		776		710		2,137		2,149		2,457
Insurance		944		298		1,663		1,005		1,769
Third party vendor contracts		3,083		3,027		10,439		10,783		11,097
Consulting and contracting services		4,054		5,267		11,651		12,652		12,143
Legal and audit		915		1,201		1,927		3,088		3,536
Training, travel and professional dues		849		397		2,709		2,004		3,445
Other		893		917		2,341		2,566		1,456
Total operating expenses		38,301		37,868		117,809		116,557		122,235
Operating income before depreciation and amortization		21,188		21,128		39,258		38,905		33,737
Depreciation and amortization		6,230		5,521		18,532		33,974		18,000
Net operating income (loss)		14,958		15,607		20,726		4,931		15,737
Other income (expenses)										
Interest income & other		(119)		(315)		946		672		1,500
Interest expense		(2,282)		(2,414)		(6,867)		(6,763)		(6,878)
Total other income (expenses)		(2,401)		(2,729)		(5,921)		(6,091)		(5,378)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	\$	12,557	\$	12,878	\$	14,805	\$	(1,160)	\$	10,359
Number of full-time employees						577		582		593

CALIFORNIA ISO BALANCE SHEET

As of September 30, 2015 (dollars in thousands)

	Q3-15 9/30/2015		6/	Q2-15 /30/2015	03	Q1-15 //31/2015	Q4-14 12/31/2014	
ASSETS								
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted amounts Accounts receivable Short-term investments, including restricted amounts Other current assets Total current Assets	\$	361,060 35,023 43,517 6,883 446,483	\$	338,461 36,004 39,643 6,726 420,834	\$	329,951 36,013 48,784 7,164 421,912	\$	429,324 31,415 63,919 8,630 533,288
NONCURRENT ASSETS Long-term investments, including restricted amounts Fixed assets, net Other assets Total noncurrent assets		115,341 172,953 10,242 298,536		116,370 174,204 11,534 302,108		104,776 177,936 12,406 295,118		120,539 180,296 12,918 313,753
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	745,019	\$	722,942	\$	717,030	\$	847,041
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS								
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued expenses Accrued salaries and compensated absences Current portion of long-term debt Due to market participants Generator noncompliance fines refund obligation Total current liabilities	\$	9,349 22,232 4,500 364,288 2,046 402,415	\$	10,237 18,174 4,500 359,876 2,029 394,816	\$	6,884 11,535 4,500 361,775 2,010 386,704	\$	11,924 29,909 4,415 468,085 1,981 516,314
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES Long-term debt, net of current portion Employee retirement plan obligations Total noncurrent liabilities		192,205 22,385 214,590		192,370 22,434 214,804		192,535 22,038 214,573		197,202 22,073 219,275
TOTAL LIABILITIES		617,005		609,620		601,277		735,590
TOTAL NET ASSETS		128,014		113,322		115,753		111,452
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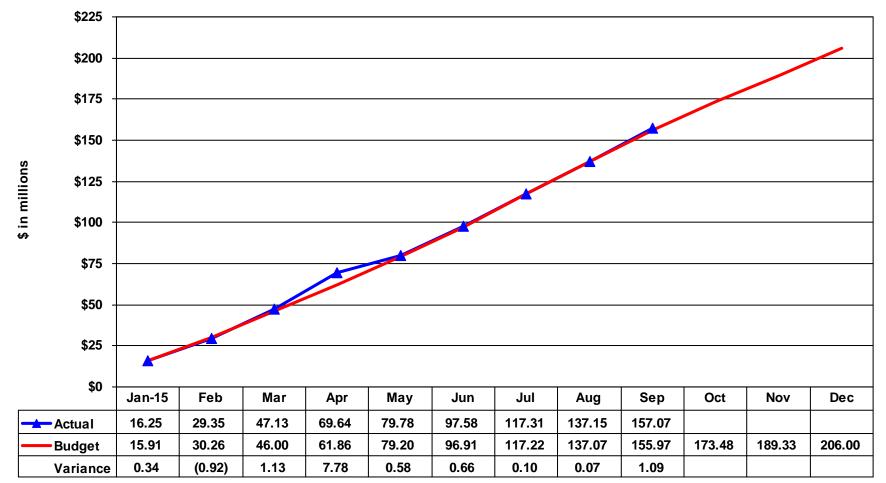
CALIFORNIA ISO CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

For the quarter ended September 30, 2015 (dollars in thousands)

	Approved Projects										
							Pr	ojected			
						2015	C	osts for	C)riginal/	
	Q3		Q3 YTD		Approved		Approved		(Current	
	A	Actual		Actual		Projects		Projects		Budget	
Implement Systems, Tools and Forecasting	\$	826	\$	1,280	\$	5,538	\$	5,509	\$	6,625	
Enhance Markets & Performance		1,879		3,191		7,089		7,088		8,875	
Compliance Culture		-		-		-				-	
Infrastructure Improvements		620		1,714		2,584		2,584		4,500	
Total 2015 Capital Spending		3,325		6,185		15,211		15,181		20,000	
Lincoln Operations Center		1,540		1,540		30,400		30,400		-	
Prior Year Capital Projects		1,556		3,611		-		7,204		-	
Total Capital	\$	6,421	\$	11,336	\$	45,611	\$	52,785	\$	20,000	

Cumulative Operating Revenues

Revenues = GMC & Other Revenues

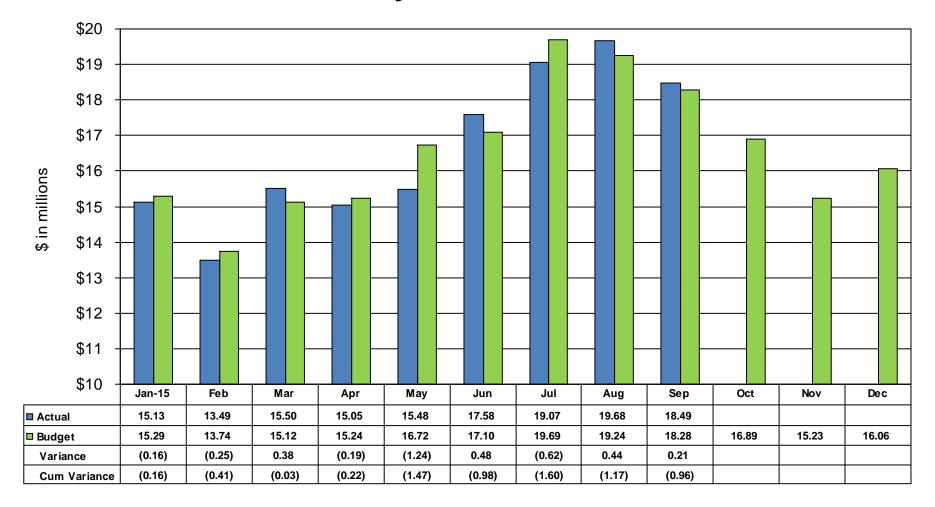


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Monthly GMC Revenues

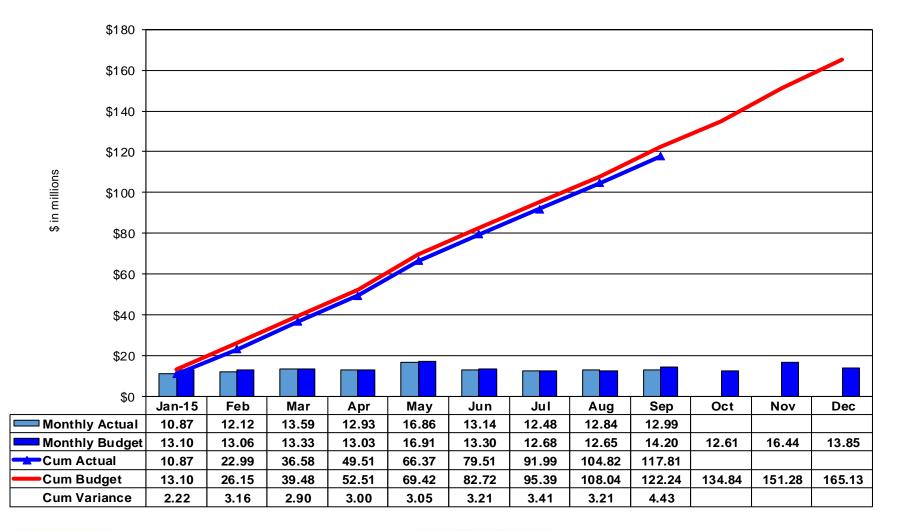


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Operating and Maintenance Expenses (O&M)

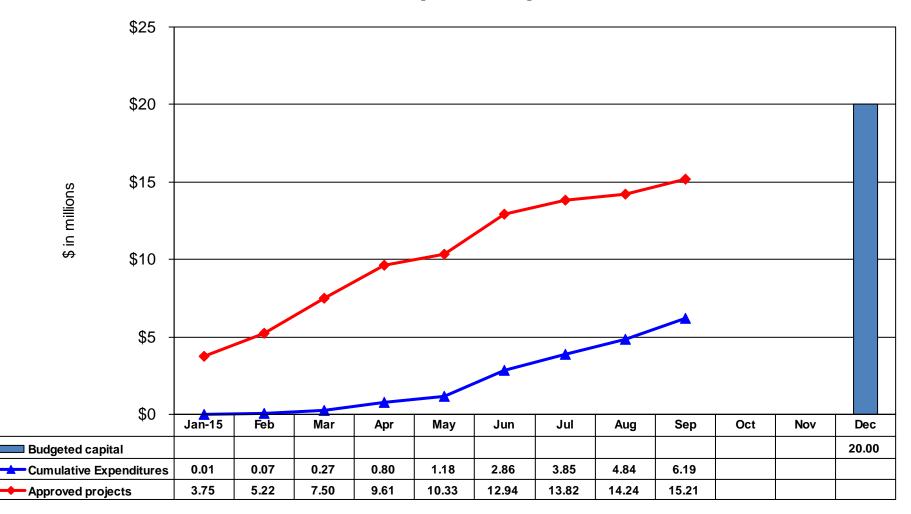


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Cumulative Capital Expenditures



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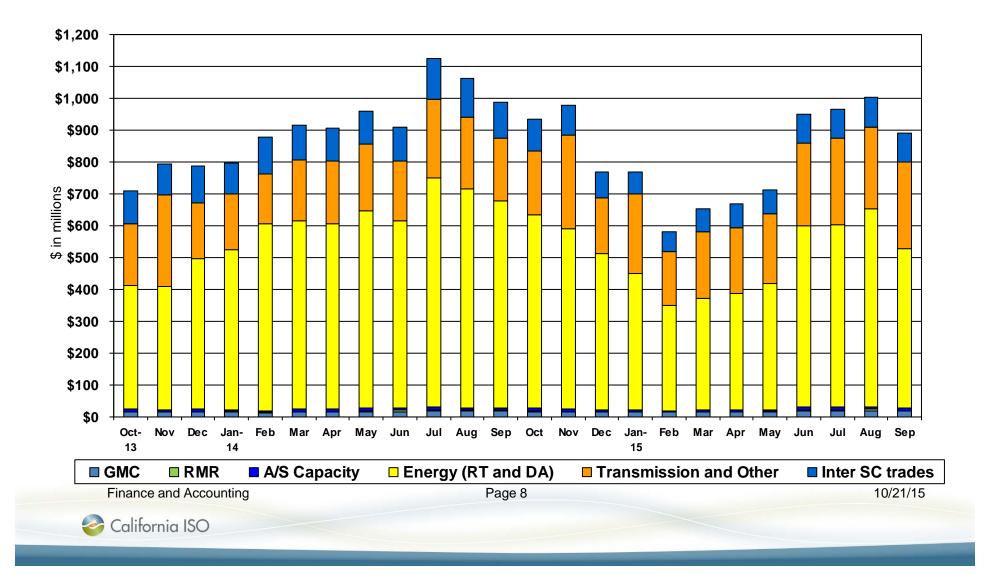
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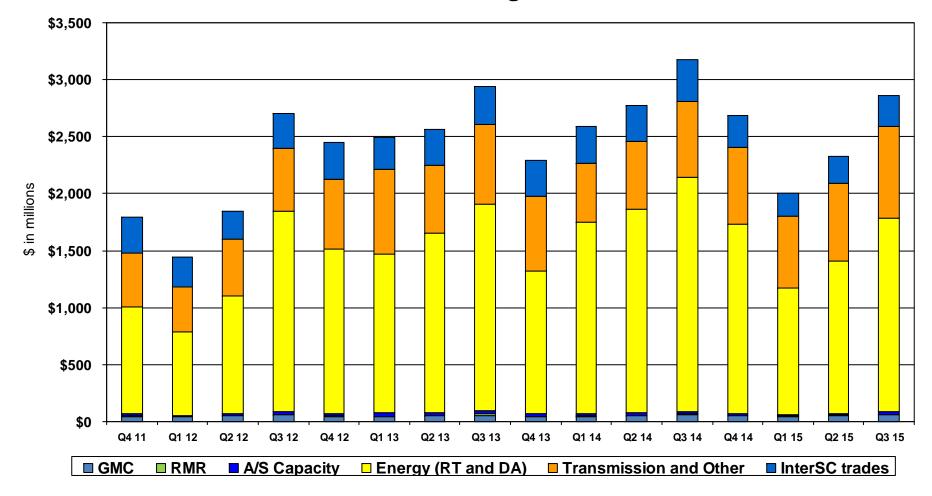
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ISO Market Costs By Month October 2013 through September 2015



ISO Market Costs By Quarter 4th Quarter 2011 through 3rd Quarter 2015



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Collateral & Estimated Aggregate Liability (as of 10/07/15)

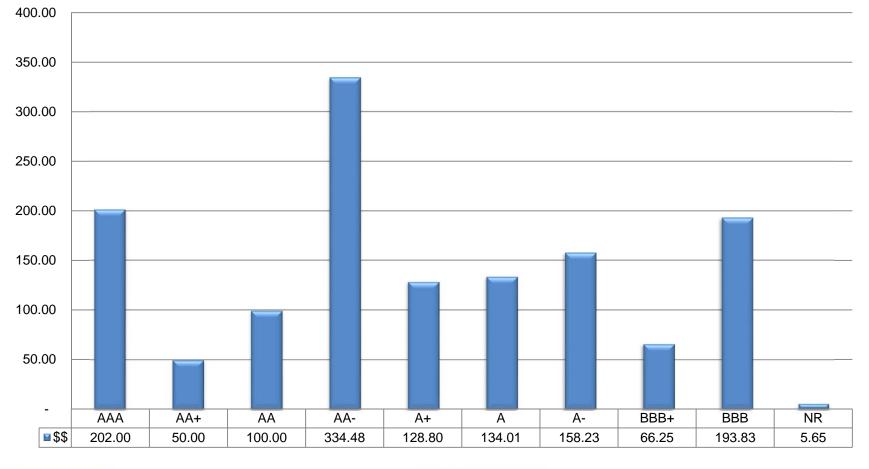
Collateral Types	Amount
Unsecured	\$1,373,239,333
Secured	\$481,468,646
Total	\$1,854,707,979

Estimate Aggregate Liability	Amount
Positive EAL	\$134,934,136



Unsecured Collateral (as of 10/07/15)

(in millions)



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Secured Collateral (as of 07/07/15)

(in millions)

