

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT February 2010

CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR CORPORATION MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - February 28, 2010

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CALIFORNIA ISO SUMMARY, DISCUSSION AND COMMENTARY

For the two-months ended February 28, 2010

OPERATIONS: (pages 1, 5, 6, and 7)

- YTD operating revenues were \$2.3M under budget:
 - This is primarily due to lower GMC revenues during the period as a result of lower than budgeted volumes in the market caused by a reduction in energy exports and the prevailing economic conditions of the state. The Company is currently reviewing the rates of some Grid Management Charge components in order to align the collection of revenues with the associated costs.
- YTD operating revenues were \$1.2M lower than the previous year:
 - This variance is consistent with 2010 YTD operating revenues being lower than projected.
- YTD O&M expenses were \$0.6M under budget:
 - This is primarily due to the timing of payments and budget discipline during the period.
- YTD O&M expenses were \$4.3M higher than last year
 - Increased expenses YTD compared to prior year is due to the timing of this year's bi-weekly payroll payment cycles (i.e. 5 pay periods compared to 4 last year).
- Currently there are 581 full-time employees compared to 615 full-time employees budgeted. There were 572 full-time employees YTD last year.
 - -This difference compared to last year is largely a result of selected conversions of contractors to full-time employees to reduce costs.

INTEREST COSTS and INTEREST INCOME: (page 1)

- YTD Interest income and other were \$0.6M higher than budget due to interest income earned on restricted funds.
 - Interest income earned on restricted funds is not included in the budget because this item is an adjustment to debt service costs for the year.
- YTD interest income and other were higher by \$0.2M compared to the previous year due to higher investment balances.
- YTD gains on investments continue to increase during the period as a result of the recovery of bond prices in the financial sector.
- YTD Bond and other Interest expenses, as compared to budget, were higher due to interest expense adjustments.
- YTD 2010 Interest expenses were higher overall compared to last year due to the issuance of the 2009 bonds.

BALANCE SHEET: (page 2)

• The change in the investments account was due to the debt service (principal and interest) payments on the outstanding bonds in February. Changes to the rest of the accounts were mainly due to normal business activity during the month.

CAPITAL PROJECTS: (pages 3 and 7)

- 2010 capital projects were budgeted for the year at \$31.0M, excluding \$160.0M for the new headquarters building. 2010 capital projects approved through February totaled \$9.8M.
- Actual expenditures to date for 2010-approved capital projects and the new facility totaled \$0.02M and \$75.8M, respectively. Expenditures for 2009-approved capital projects totaled \$2.2M.

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CALIFORNIA ISO SUMMARY, DISCUSSION AND COMMENTARY

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The ISO Markets

OBLIGATIONS OF MARKET PARTICIPANTS: (pages 10 and 11)

- Outstanding obligations of market participants reflects the seasonality of energy usage during the year.
- The decrease in market obligations in December reflects lower collateral requirements under payment acceleration and to the conclusion of the annual congestion revenue rights auction.
- Overall, the increase in market obligations reflects the addition of the forward markets under the new Market.

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CALIFORNIA ISO Statement of Operations

For the two-months ended February 28, 2010 *(dollars in thousands)*

	Year to Date									2010		
	Actual		Budget		Variance		PY Actual		Variance		Budget	
Revenues:											<u> </u>	
Grid Management Charge	\$	27,024	\$	29,347	\$ (2,323)		\$ 27.	564	\$ (541) \$	195,067	
Fines, WSCC & Other Fees	•	696	•	717	(20)			312	\$ (616		4,300	
Total revenues		27,720		30,064	(2,344)			877	(1,157	_	199,367	
Operating Expenses:												
Salaries and Benefits		20,586		20,667	(81)		16.	209	\$ 4,377		110,028	
Building, Leases and Facility		1,541		1,566	(25)			488	53		9,396	
Insurance		335		368	(32)			198	137		2,205	
Third Party Vendor Contracts		2,938		2,994	(56)		2,	861	77		17,962	
Consulting and Contracting Services		1,821		1,837	(16)		2,	092	(271)	11,022	
Legal and Audit		876		938	(63)			578	298		5,630	
Training, Travel and Professional Dues		509		633	(123)			508	1		3,797	
Other		246		443	(196)			581	(335)	2,656	
Total operating expenses		28,853		29,445	(593)		24,	515	4,337		162,696	
Net operating income (loss)		(1,132)		618	(1,751)		4,	362	(5,494	<u> </u>	36,672	
Interest and Other Expenses												
Interest income & other		1,272		633	639		1,	073	199		2,736	
Interest expense		2,769		2,656	113		1,	097	1,672		8,399	
Gains and losses on investments (realized												
and unrealized)		936		-	936		(562)	1,498		-	
Depreciation and amortization		10,300		10,300	<u>-</u>		2,	335	7,965		62,000	
Total interest and other expenses		10,861		12,323	411		2,	921	10,936		67,663	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenses	\$	(11,993)	\$	(11,704)	\$ (2,161)	:	\$ 1,	440	\$(16,430) \$	(30,991)	
Number of Full-time Employees		581	:			:		572	:		615	

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Balance Sheet

As of February 28, 2010 (dollars in thousands)

	Current Month	Prior Month	<u>Change</u>	<u>%</u>
ASSETS				
NET ELECTRIC UTILITY PLANT	\$ 297,593	\$ 293,894	\$ 3,699	1%
CURRENT ASSETS				
Unrestricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	5,197	10,926	(5,729)	-52%
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	364,904	377,115	(12,211)	-3%
Other Special Deposits	78,302	77,894	408	1%
Accounts Receivable, net	22,435	20,958	1,477	7%
Investments	206,292	249,579	(43,287)	-17%
Accrued Interest	1,622	1,838	(216)	-12%
Prepayments	7,794	8,301	(507)	-6%
Total Current Assets	686,546	746,611	(60,065)	-8%
NONCURRENT ASSET AND DEFERRED CHARGES				
Unamortized Debt Expenses and Other	3,954	4,200	(246)	-6%
Total Noncurrent Asset and Deferred Charges	3,954	4,200	(246)	-6%
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 988,093	\$ 1,044,705	\$ (56,612)	-5%
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES				
CAPITALIZATION				
Stakeholders' Surplus	\$ 236,349	\$ 240,931	\$ (4,582)	-2%
Long-term Debt	333,278	333,453	φ (4,362) (175)	-2% 0%
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION	569,627	574,384	(4,757)	-1%
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION	509,021	374,364	(4,737)	-1%
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term Debt Due Within One Year	39,100	39,100	-	0%
Accounts Payable	46,243	97,222	(50,979)	-52%
Customer Deposits & Other	286,334	287,210	(876)	0%
Fines Subject to Refund	45,556	45,556		0%
Total Current Liabilities	417,233	469,088	(51,855)	-11%
NONCURRENT LIABILITY AND DEFERRED CREDITS				
Other	1,233	1,233		0%
Total Noncurrent Liability and Deferred Credits	1,233	1,233		0%
TOTAL LIABILITIES	418,466	470,321	(51,855)	-11%
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$ 988,093	\$ 1,044,705	\$ (56,612)	-5%

CALIFORNIA ISO Capital Projects Report

For the two-months ended February 28, 2010 *(dollars in thousands)*

	Approved Projects											
						Total Projected						
					2010		Costs for		Original			
	Month <u>Actual</u>			YTD	Αŗ	oproved	Α	pproved	2010			
				<u>Actual</u>	<u>P</u>	rojects	<u>Projects</u>		<u>Budget</u>			
Customer Focus	\$	-	\$	-	\$	145	\$	145	\$	821		
Operational Excellence		-		-		279		279		13,620		
Continuous Transformation		7		7		4,749		4,749		10,415		
Reasonable Costs & Essential Projects		2		8		4,607		4,607		6,144		
Total 2009 Capital Spending		9		15		9,780		9,780		31,000		
Iron Point Building		7,010		75,823		-		160,000		160,000		
2009 Capital Projects		1,846		2,166				20,023		20,023		
Total Capital	\$	8,866	\$	78,004	\$	9,780	\$	189,802	\$	211,023		

Notes:

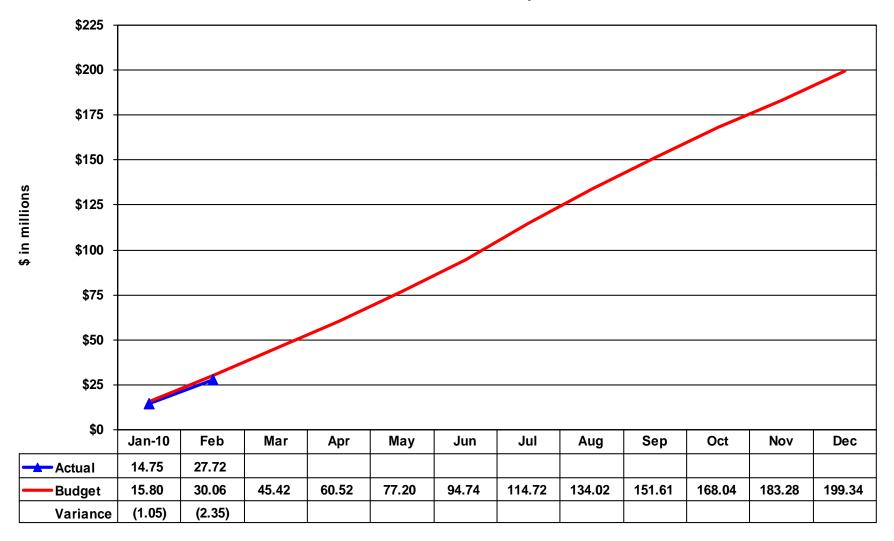
Prior year capital projects are funded by prior year rate collections.

The Iron Point Project Phase 2 is to be funded from 2009 bond proceeds.



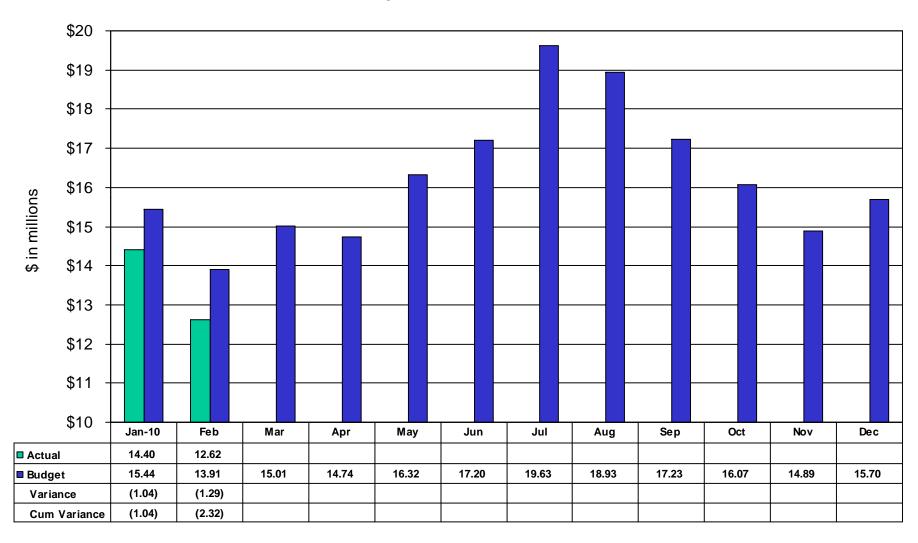
Cumulative Operating Revenues

Revenues = GMC, LGIP, WSCC Security & Other Fees



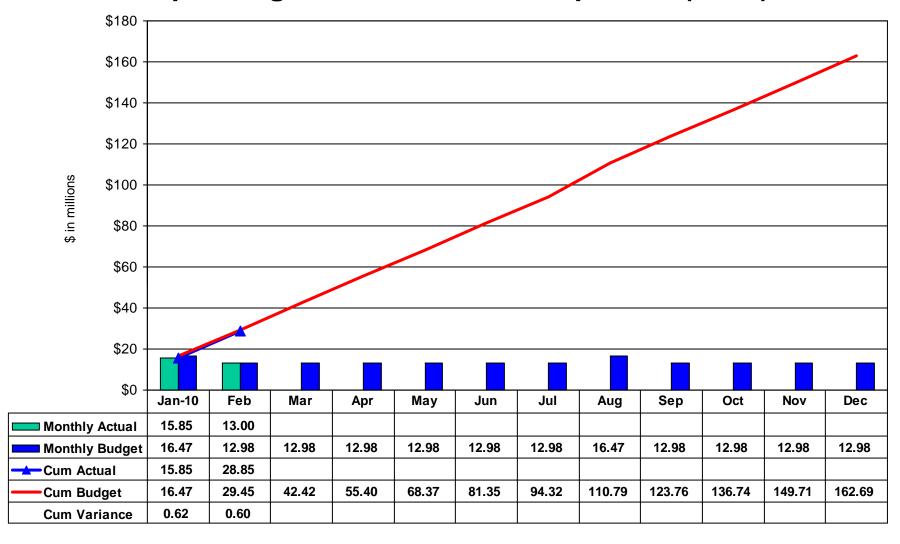


Monthly GMC Revenues



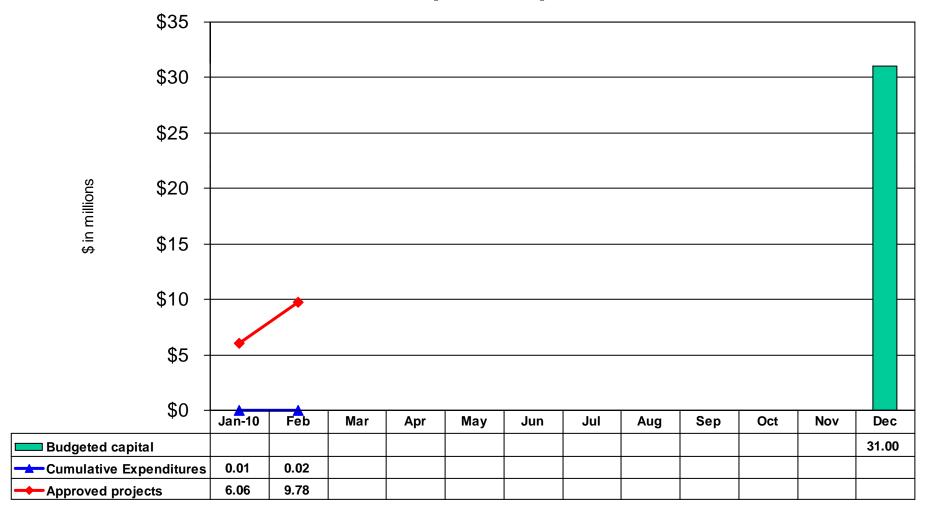


Operating and Maintenance Expenses (O&M)



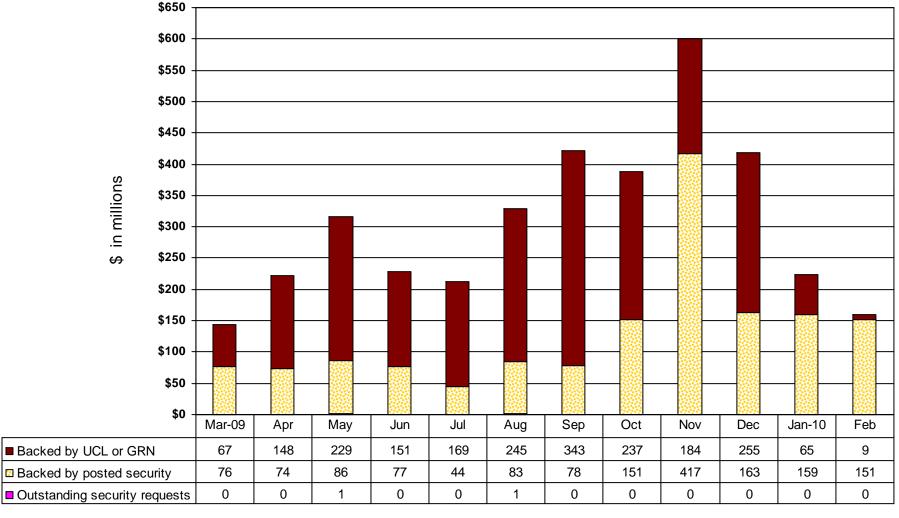


Cumulative Capital Expenditures





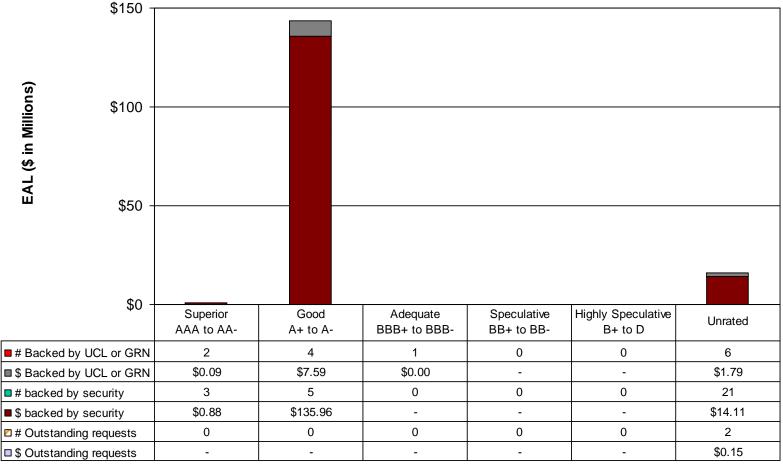
Outstanding Obligations of Market Participants



Outstanding obligations are estimated using available historical settlements data. The "Backed by UCL or GRN" category includes Unsecured Credit Limits (UCL) and Guarantees (GRN). Posted security includes letters of credit, surety bonds, cash deposits held in escrow, certificates of deposit, payment bonds, and prepayments to the CAISO.



Backing for Estimated Aggregate Liability (EAL) by Credit Quality



Credit Quality (S&P Ratings)