

Memorandum

To: ISO Board of Governors

From: Jim Detmers, Vice President, Operations

Date: March 17, 2010

Re: Operations Report

This memorandum does not require Board action.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Real Time Operations Highlights:

Winter Storms during the January 18 through January 20 period resulted in a forced outage to a major 500kV transmission line between Captain Jack and Olinda, a component of the California-Oregon Intertie (COI). The storm also affected generation resources; causing several forced outages and limited to 50% output a large nuclear generating plant in central California. Due in part to these forced outages; on the evening of January 19 the ISO notified participants we were declaring a system *Warning* and *Generation Restricted Maintenance*, notifications that are part of our Alerts, Warning, and Emergency procedures. No additional emergency actions were required.

Transbay Cable, an underwater 400kV direct current (DC) cable from Pittsburg to San Francisco continues to test power delivery which began in late December. Commercial operation is expected in the second quarter.

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