



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **STAGE ONE ELECTRICAL EMERGENCY DISCONTINUED** **California ISO Requests Continued Curtailment of Energy Usage**

(Folsom, CA) The Stage One Electrical Emergency declared earlier today is over as of 8:00 p.m. The peak demand on the transmission system today was 43,630 megawatts at 4:18 p.m. With the unusually hot weather continuing into tomorrow, Californians are urged to watch their energy consumption, curtailing their use of electricity whenever possible.

Stage One of the state's Electrical Emergency Plan was initiated at 1:00 p.m. today to advise the public of potential power shortages and to ask all customers to conserve electricity to ensure there will be enough power to meet future demand. A Stage One Emergency takes effect when electricity operating reserves fall below seven percent.

California ISO is chartered by the state to manage the flow of electricity along the long-distance, high-voltage power lines that make up the bulk of California's transmission system. The not-for-profit public-benefit corporation assumed the responsibility in March 1998 when California opened its energy markets to competition and mandated the investor-owned utilities turn their private transmission power lines over to the Cal-ISO's open-market power grid. The mission of the California ISO is to safeguard the reliable delivery of electricity and ensure equal access to the state's "electron highway", which spans 124,000 miles or three-quarters of the state.

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