



Heat Wave Tips

- **Draw drapes**
- **Set thermostat at 78 degrees or higher**
- **Cool with fans**
- **Use appliances in early morning or late at night**

STAGE 1

Consumers are urged to reduce their use of electricity voluntarily to avoid more severe conditions.

STAGE 2

Voluntary interruption of service to select customers is required to avoid more severe conditions.

STAGE 3

Consumers are advised that involuntary interruptions of service have begun and will continue until the emergency has passed.

Power Watch 2000

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THURSDAY IS A POWER WATCH DAY

California ISO Requests Continued Curtailment of Energy Usage

(Folsom, CA) **Thursday, June 15th** has been declared a *Power Watch Day* by the California Independent System Operator (California ISO).

Californians are urged to watch their energy consumption, curtailing use of electricity whenever possible.

Record-setting temperatures in Northern California necessitated a Stage One Electrical Emergency on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. A Stage One Emergency is a public appeal to customers to voluntarily reduce their use of electricity to prevent more severe curtailment measures.

Temperatures in San Francisco reached 103 degrees today, an unusual event – San Francisco has topped 100 degrees only 12 times in the last hundred years. The hot weather, coupled with some unavailable generation plants resulted in forced outages within the Greater Bay Area.

Tomorrow's peak demand on the ISO-controlled Grid is expected to reach 44,812 megawatts by late afternoon. The record peak was 45,884 megawatts on July 12, 1999. **Continuously updated information about California ISO operations is available on the web at www.caiso.com.**

Incorporated under California law (AB 1890), the not-for-profit 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. Following the restructuring of the state's electricity industry, the California ISO's mission is to keep the open market power grid in California reliable, competitive and accessible.

For questions relating to the status of the electrical distribution systems that carry electricity directly to homes and businesses, please contact your local utility.

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