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OFFICE OF ENERGY MARKET REGULATION

California Independent System
Operator Corporation
Docket Nos. ER11-3779-000
ER11-3782-000

August 9, 2011

California Independent System
Operator Corporation
250 Outcropping Way
Folsom, CA 95630

Attention: John C Anders, Esq.
Counsel for California Independent System Operator Corporation

Reference: Interconnected Balancing Authority Area Operating Agreement

Dear Mr. Anders:

On June 10, 2011, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) submitted an amended Interconnected Balancing Authority Area Operating Agreement (Amended IBAAOA) with the Western Area Power Administration - Desert Southwest Region (Western-DSR).¹ The IBAAOA establishes the rights and obligations of the CAISO and Western-DSR with respect to the operation, maintenance, and control of the interconnection of their respective balancing authority areas. CAISO has filed the Amended IBAAOA to include the addition of section 5.5 (Pilot for Pseudo-Tie to the CAISO Balancing Authority Area), which allows output from a generating facility electrically interconnected in the Western-DSR balancing authority area to be telemetered into the CAISO balancing authority area under the operating control of CAISO.²

¹ Before the Amended IBAAOA could be filed, CAISO had to file the existing agreement in the Commission's eTariff system, pursuant to the requirements of Order No. 714. In Docket No. ER11-3779-000, CAISO submitted the currently-effective IBAAOA into the eTariff system as Rate Schedule FERC No. 31.

² On June 10, 2011, in Docket No. ER11-3778-000, CAISO filed Pseudo Participating Generator Agreement with Rice Solar Energy, LLC, which is being accepted concurrently with the instant filing.

Waiver of the Commission's notice requirements pursuant to Section 35.11 of the Commission's rules and regulations (18 C.F.R. § 35.11) is granted, and the Amended IBAAOA is accepted for filing effective, June 15, 2011, as requested.³

The filings were noticed on June 10, 2011 with comments, protests, or motions to intervene due on or before July 1, 2011. No protests or adverse comments were filed. Notices of intervention and unopposed timely filed motions to intervene are granted pursuant to the operation of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.214). Any opposed or untimely filed motion to intervene is governed by the provisions of Rule 214.

This action does not constitute approval of any service, rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, contract, or practice affecting such rate or service provided for in the filed documents; nor shall such action be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation affecting or relating to such service or rate; and such action is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against CAISO.

This action is taken pursuant to authority delegated to the Director, Division of Electric Power Regulation - West, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307. This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

Steve P. Rodgers, Director
Division of Electric Power
Regulation – West

cc: All Parties

³ The existing agreement, as filed in Docket No. ER11-3779-000, is also accepted for filing and retains its original effective date of June 30, 1998.