

AMP Comments on the CAISO Draft 2012-13 Transmission Plan

Alameda Municipal Power (AMP) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Draft CAISO 2012-13 Transmission Plan. The comments and questions below address the draft Transmission Plan dated February 1, 2013 which was discussed at the February 11th Stakeholder meeting.

In AMP's comments to the CAISO dated October 11, 2012 on the reliability assessments that were performed under the 2012-13 transmission plan, AMP had identified a need for a long-term solution for the Oakland/Alameda area such as the one proposed by PG&E in 2009 under the Oakland Long Term Plan.¹ We noticed that there is nothing in the Draft 2012-13 Transmission Plan that identifies a need for the long-term transmission solution for the Oakland/Alameda area. Furthermore, there does not seem to be any plan to investigate such possibility in subsequent planning cycles.

Since Alameda forms a significant portion of the load that must be served in the area, we want to participate in the process that selects the long-term solution. We are currently engaged with PG&E on some operational issues concerning our two systems. We would like to see a separate but related forum developed that would assist the CAISO in selecting the long-term transmission solution for the Oakland/Alameda area. We believe that the interests of the area are best served by minimizing the period of reliance on the SPS (that is still being developed) and encourage the CAISO to welcome and participate in efforts to that end.

We urge the CAISO to propose investigating a long-term solution for the Oakland/Alameda area in the 2013-14 transmission study plan.

AMP appreciates the opportunity to comment on the CAISO Draft 2012-13 Transmission Plan and acknowledges the efforts of the CAISO staff to develop the plan to date.

If you have any questions concerning these comments, please contact Douglas Draeger (Draeger@alamedamp.com) or Barry Flynn (888-634-7516 and brflynn@flynnrci.com).

¹ **Oakland Long Term Plan** proposed to add a new *Oakland J – Oakland C 115 kV* Cable (Approximately 5 miles). In order for this facility to interconnect to the 115 kV transmission system in Oakland, several additional projects were identified by PG&E to be needed.