



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Drop in Temperatures Lowers Power Demand; California ISO Watching Weather Forecast**

(Folsom, CA) Temperatures that came in below the forecast, as a result of the offshore marine layer, decreased the electricity demand on the power grid today, resulting in a peak demand of 43,679 megawatts. Today's peak is far below the current record demand, which still holds at 45,597 megawatts set on September 8, 2004. In northern California, temperatures were as much as 10 degrees under forecast along the coast and 5-7 degrees lower inland.

The *Flex Your Power NOW!* power watch has ended, but the California ISO will be monitoring temperatures closely and will reinstate if necessary this week.

The California ISO is charged with managing 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 the state's investor-owned utilities turned their private transmission power lines over to the California ISO to manage. The mission of the California ISO is to safeguard the reliability delivery of electricity, facilitate markets and ensure equal access to a 25,000-circuit mile "electron highway."

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