



**Energy Conservation
Tips for Winter**

- **Keep your thermostat at 68°; lower at night and when not at home**
- **Minimize power usage during peak hours of 5-9 a.m. and 4-7 p.m.**
- **Curb hot water usage**
- **Turn off lights and computers when not in use**

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 rotating outages are possible.

Power Watch 2000

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ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ARE VERY TIGHT TOMORROW

Conservation from 5-11 a.m. and 4-9 p.m. Critical

(Folsom, CA) **Tuesday, January 23rd** has been declared a *Power Watch Day* by the California Independent System Operator (California ISO). A number of factors are converging to make customer outages likely Tuesday morning.

- An important hydro resource, used all day today to mitigate the power flow on Path 15, will decrease available supply by 1,000 MW.
- The 300 MW demand savings from PG&E's interruptible customers will be unavailable tomorrow as their contracted hours expire tonight at 7:30 p.m.
- Colder morning temperatures are expected to increase power demand.

The state's power grid has been under an uninterrupted Stage Three Electrical Emergency declaration since Saturday. Tuesday's peak demand on the ISO-controlled Grid is expected to reach 31,854 megawatts at approximately 6:00 p.m.

The California ISO urges Californians to watch their energy consumption, curtailing their use of electricity whenever possible. Increased conservation efforts during the peak usage hours of 5:00-11:00 a.m. and 4:00-9:00 p.m. would be helpful.

Power Watch is a public awareness campaign sponsored by the California ISO to communicate the current electricity resource outlook, in light of the rising demand for power in California. By providing regular updates on system conditions and peak demand forecasts, the California ISO hopes to convey the importance of using electricity wisely on days when electricity reserves may run low.

Incorporated under California law (AB 1890), the not-for-profit California ISO manages the flow of electricity along the long-distance, high-voltage power lines that make up the bulk of California's transmission system. Following restructuring of the state's electricity industry, the California ISO's mission is to keep the open market power grid in California reliable, safe, competitive and accessible.

Information about the California ISO control area's electricity supply and the current demand is available on the web at www.caiso.com.