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California Independent System  
Operator Corporation  
Docket No. ER11-3099-000  
**February 15, 2013**

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

Attention: Grant Rosenblum, Esq.  
Attorney for California Independent System Operator Corporation

Reference: Waiver of Several NAESB Business Practice Standards

Dear Mr. Rosenblum:

On March 15, 2011, California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) filed a request for waiver of certain new and updated standards promulgated by the North American Electric Standards Board (NAESB) Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ) Version 002.1 and adopted by the Commission in Order No. 676-E.<sup>1</sup> In prior orders, the Commission granted CAISO waiver of certain NAESB business practice standards, and in this filing CAISO seeks to renew those waivers.<sup>2</sup> Moreover, CAISO states the circumstances warranting Commission waiver of these standards, under the ISO's current market design, have not changed and therefore the requested waivers continue to be applicable. Additionally, in this filing, CAISO requests waiver of several new standards it states are inapplicable to and incompatible with CAISO's service model. Waiver of the Commission's notice requirements pursuant to Section 35.11 of the

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<sup>1</sup> *Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities*, 129 FERC ¶ 61,162 (2009) (Order No. 676-E).

<sup>2</sup> Specifically, CAISO requests renewed waiver of WEQ-002 (OASIS S&CP), WEQ-003 (OASIS Data Dictionary), WEQ-008 (Transmission Loading Relief – Eastern Interconnection Standards), and WEQ-013 (OASIS Implementation Guide), as well as a renewed partial waiver of the WEQ-001 (OASIS Business Practice Standards).

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Commission's rules and regulations (18 C.F.R § 35.11) is granted, and CAISO's proposal is accepted for filing, effective April 1, 2011, consistent with the effective date prescribed in Order No. 676-E.

The filing was noticed on March 16, 2011, with comments, protests or motions to intervene due on or before April 5, 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 acceptance for filing shall not be construed as constituting approval of the referenced filing or of any rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, or practice affecting such rates or services provided for in the filed documents; nor shall such acceptance be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation associated therewith; and such acceptance is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or any which may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against California Independent System Operator Corporation.

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

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