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ISO Board approves lowering barriers to demand response Extending temporary Aliso Canyon gas storage measures also authorized

FOLSOM, Calif. –The California Independent System Operator (ISO) Board of Governors today approved a proposal to enhance the ability of demand response to participate in the wholesale power markets. Among other agenda items, the Board also agreed to an ISO management recommendation to extend temporary measures put into place to manage the impacts of the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility restrictions.

The new rules give providers three new ways to evaluate demand response (DR) performance that will better reflect different types of DR and their configurations. The proposals were developed in an ongoing and robust stakeholder process that is exploring ways to lower barriers to DR and energy storage development.

In light of the continuing restrictions on using the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility in southern California, the Board also approved extending the temporary market measures put into place to manage the limitations beyond their November 30, 2017 expiration date. One of the measures enables grid operators to limit the amount of gas that generators can burn during gas supply shortages and has proven to be particularly effective in reducing the risks of power supply interruptions.

Among other agenda items, the Board approved a modification to the western Energy Imbalance (EIM) Governing Body compensation rules.

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