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ISO welcomes BANC announcement to join ISO's RC services

FOLSOM, Calif. – The California Independent System Operator (ISO) issued the following statement in response to last week's announcement by the Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC) that it intends to get Reliability Coordinator services from the ISO.

"We appreciate this commitment to take services from our new RC unit," said ISO President and CEO Steve Berberich. "This early announcement is a great help to our planning process, as we work to provide an efficient and reliable transition."

BANC's announcement is the first public commitment of an entity seeking to receive reliability services from the ISO.

The ISO announced in January that it will withdraw from receiving services from Peak Reliability Coordinator by September 1, 2019, and form its own RC to serve the ISO and other entities in the Western Interconnection. Since then, the ISO has had extensive and ongoing engagement with interested balancing authorities and transmission operators throughout the interconnection, and is coordinating a public process to develop the design and rate structure for this new service.

The BANC announcement comes in advance of a September 4, 2018 deadline from the Western Electric Coordinating Council (WECC), requesting entities provide their plan to obtain RC services.

The ISO continues its process to get certified by the WECC as a reliability coordinator, and is developing the necessary procedures and technology to launch the new service by July 2019. For more information on the ISO's RC services, visit the [Reliability Coordinator](#) webpage at caiso.com.

Based in Sacramento, BANC is a Joint Powers Authority of Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD), Modesto Irrigation District (MID), Roseville Electric, Redding Electric Utility (REU), Trinity Public Utility District, and the City of Shasta Lake.

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