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Board of Governors California Independent System Operator P.O. Box 639014 Folsom, CA 95763-9014

Dear Board of Governors,

The California Wind Energy Association, American Wind Energy Association, Environmental Defense Fund, and Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies support approval of the ISO's Energy Imbalance Market (EIM) design proposal that is before you on November 7th. This is a critical milestone in establishing more efficient real-time operations in the West, which will improve renewable integration, enhance reliability and lower consumer costs.

We are encouraged by the wide range of interest groups that have been involved in the stakeholder process. The ISO facilitated that involvement by holding stakeholder meetings in Phoenix and Portland in addition to Folsom, hosting technical conferences, and conducting webinars to help parties understand the EIM and related issues.

We also appreciate the ISO's work on governance, with a proposal designed to establish regional oversight of EIM. Our hope is that successful implementation of EIM with PacifiCorp coupled with thoughtful changes to governance will make it easier for others in the West to join and gain the benefits of five-minute economic dispatch across a more geographically diverse set of loads and resources.

We will continue to monitor this effort and look forward to remaining engaged with the ISO on this and other issues.

Sincerely,

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