



Statement by ISO Board of Governor's Chair

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Statement of Michael Kahn following decision by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

(FOLSOM, CA) – California Independent System Operator Chairman Michael Kahn issued the following statement today following the decision of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission concerning California's claim for substantial refunds from energy marketers and generators.

"Today's decision is a significant victory for California and a validation of our collective efforts to establish that significant refunds are due to California. The FERC accepted our methodology, rejected the notion of prolonging the matter by 60 days, included non-jurisdictional entities in the refund mix, and established the groundwork for refunding a substantial portion of the \$8.9 billion Californians are owed. And rest assured, any portion of the \$8.9 billion owed to California not covered by the FERC will be litigated vigorously."

"For months, California has laid claim to being bilked out of billions of dollars in overcharges by energy marketers and generators and Californians are one step closer to seeing refunds from the energy profiteers. While I am pleased with a majority of the FERC decision, I remain concerned about the Commission decision to calculate the amount of refunds owed to California using the spot price of gas instead of actual fuel costs. The spot market prices the Commission proposes to use are the very same prices under investigation by the same Commission. Actual gas prices will provide an actual refund due to California."

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