

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

California Independent System Operator
Corporation.

Docket No. ER12-50-000

ORDER OF CHIEF JUDGE DESIGNATING SETTLEMENT JUDGE
AND SCHEDULING SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

(Issued January 5, 2012)

1. The Commission by order issued on December 12, 2011, 137 FERC ¶ 61,191, directed the Chief Judge to appoint a Settlement Judge to assist the parties in arriving at a settlement of the issues in this case. The Commission gave the parties the opportunity to request the Chief Judge to appoint a specific judge mutually agreed upon by all parties. The parties unanimously requested the appointment of Judge Philip C. Baten as the settlement judge to assist them in their efforts to resolve the disputed issues.
2. Accordingly, the Chief Judge hereby appoints Judge Philip C. Baten as the Settlement Judge in this case to convene a settlement conference, to explore the possibility of settlement, to discuss the differences between the parties, and in general to conduct the settlement negotiations. Participants are directed to have persons present at the settlement negotiations with authority to negotiate and accept or approve settlement terms—*a business person for each party or group of parties should be present to the maximum extent practical.*
3. A settlement conference with Judge Baten will be held beginning at 10 a.m. on January 26, 2012, in a hearing room of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.
4. Judge Baten will be pleased to meet with the parties individually should they desire prior to the settlement conference. Persons wishing to schedule an appointment may contact Judge Baten's law clerk, Ms Christine Powell, at 202-502-6608 or Christine.Powell@FERC.gov.
5. The Chief Judge strongly encourages electronic filings. See, 18 C.F.R. § 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "Documents & Filing" tab.

Curtis L. Wagner, Jr.
Chief Administrative Law Judge