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Introduction

The Access and Identity Management (AIM) application was developed to improve the process for requesting, obtaining, updating and maintaining user access to ISO applications.

The ISO maintains approximately 13,000 secured customer accounts granting access to roughly two dozen ISO applications. Each customer has designated one or more individuals within their organization to act as the User Access Administrator (UAA), authorized to initiate and maintain access to ISO applications.

The AIM application provides registered UAAs with the ability to view application-level access for all of their organization's users as well as any users from other organizations who have access to their resources (endorsed users). Additionally, the AIM application will allow the established UAA to view the expiration date of their users' certificates and automatically request a renewal from within the application.

If your organization has not established a set of designated UAAs, the following items are required:

1. Have an executed agreement with the ISO.
2. Review the ISO User Access Administrator Establishment and Requirements.
3. Identify the designated UAA(s) and submit a User Access Administrator Agreement form

UAA(s) can perform the following tasks in AIM:

- Create another UAA
- Create new users
- Update a user's contact info (i.e. email address, etc.)
- Update the Weekly Expiry Email notifications of when users' certificate are going to expire.
- Renew or revoke user's certificate access
- Add/remove user's application access
- Submit initial endorse user access
- Provision endorsed user access
- Review access request history
- View a list of Authorized Entities, Authorized Contracts, Associated Applications, Endorsed Users without Access
- Create/Modify/End Date ACL groups

Should you have any questions, please submit an inquiry through the CIDI application / Contact Us page, or contact your designated Client Representatives.

Navigating to AIM

There are several ways for a user to access the AIM application. Users can navigate to the links below and select AIM.

1. Through the main portal landing page here: https://portal.caiso.com
2. Through the Market Participant Portal here: https://mpp.caiso.com/
3. Through the WEIM portal *(access for WEIM entities):* https://weim.caiso.com/

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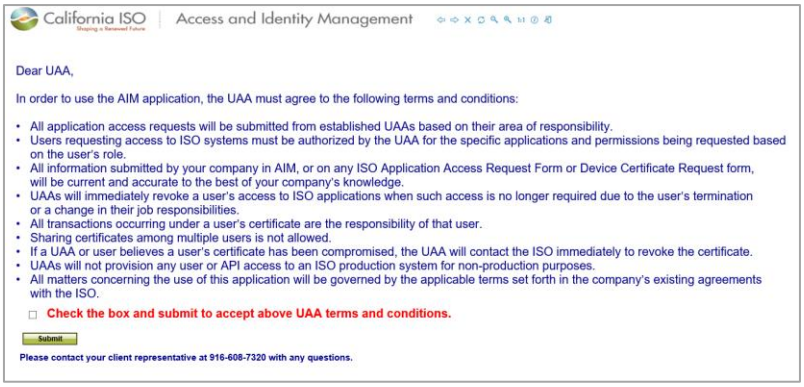
Note: A certificate can be obtained by following the instructions for becoming a UAA for your company in the Introduction section of this document or by reaching out to an existing UAA of your organization to create one. Please keep in mind only UAAs will have access to AIM.

Acknowledgement Message upon Login

The acknowledgement **MUST** be accepted to use the AIM application. The following screen will appear the first time a UAA logs into AIM and again around the beginning of each calendar year:



After the box is checked and the **Submit** button is clicked on, close the window and reopen the AIM application to begin using AIM.

Create New Users

If you are creating a UAA from a user you have just created, please ensure that you have first downloaded and emailed the certificate to that user prior to the UAA creation process. Please see "Downloading Email Templates with Attached Certificates" section for instructions.

The **Users** tab provides the ability to view a list of users. The UAA will access this screen to create a new user.

The user list separates into three sections:

1. **My Users** – users who belong to the UAA's organization.
2. **Users Endorsed to Us** – users of other organizations that are requesting to be endorsed to your organization
3. **Users Endorsed by Us** – users from another organization granted/requested access to specific Entities, usually an SCID, or resources in specific applications.

How to Create New User

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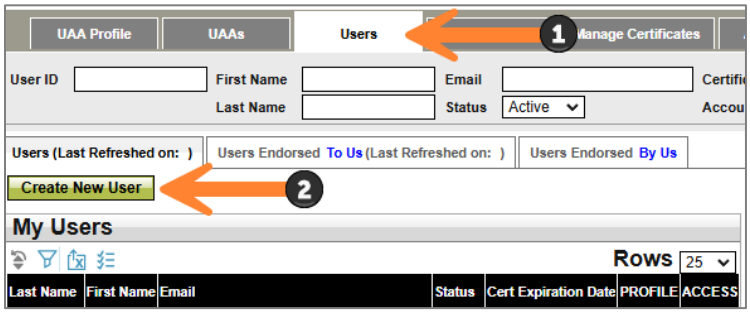
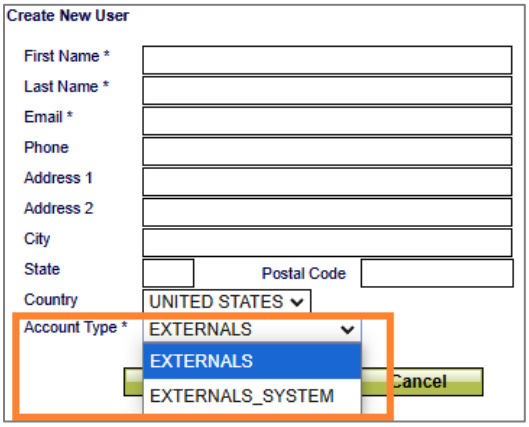
1. Add new user, navigate to the **Users** tab and click the **Create New User** button.



2. Enter the user's first name, last name, individual's email address, and address information.
3. Select an Account Type of Externals for an individual person or Externals_System for system accounts. Click **Submit**.



4. Newly Generated certificates will only be available to be downloaded by the UAA and emailed to the user for 5 days under the "Manager Certificates" tab. For instructions, please go to the "Downloading Email Templates with Attached Certificates" section by clicking here. This step is required before submitting an Access Request and/or creating a new UAA from a New User

Note: Access Requests will be rejected for a new user certificate if a UAA has not downloaded and emailed the certificate to the user. For the status of a certificate, please see the "Cert Status" column on the "My Recently Renewed Certificates" section of the Manage Certificates Tab. For an explanation of a certificate status, see section "Certification Status in AIM."

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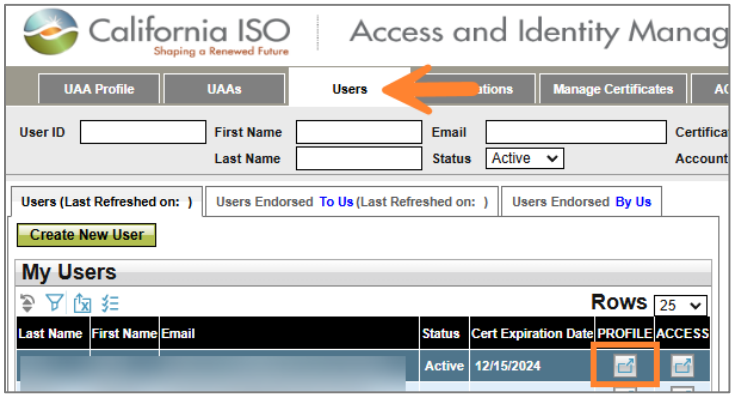
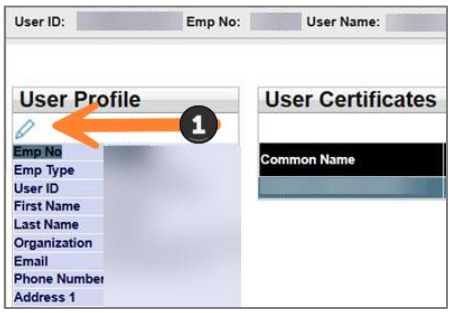
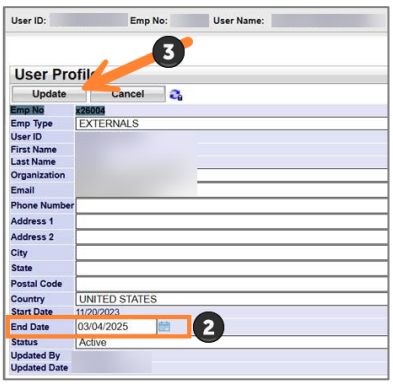
How to End Date a User and a UAA

1. To end date a User, navigate to the **User** tab. Under the **My Users** section, select the user that is being end dated. Click the user's **profile button** to initiate a new pop-out window.

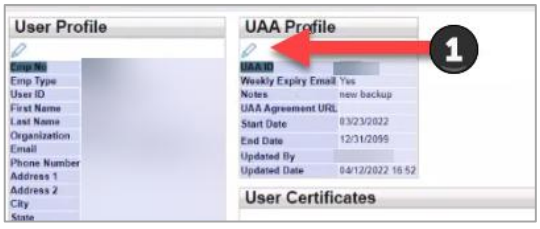


2. Click the pencil icon under **User Profile**. From there, go to the **End Date** section and put the desired date – click **Update** when complete.





3. Similar to the steps above, to end date a UAA navigate to the **UAA** tab and click the UAA's profile button to initiate a new pop-out window.
4. Navigate to the UAA Profile section and select the pencil icon. From there, go to the **End Date** section and put the desired date – click **Update** when complete.



Note: To quickly remove UAA privileges, change the End Date to yesterday's date.

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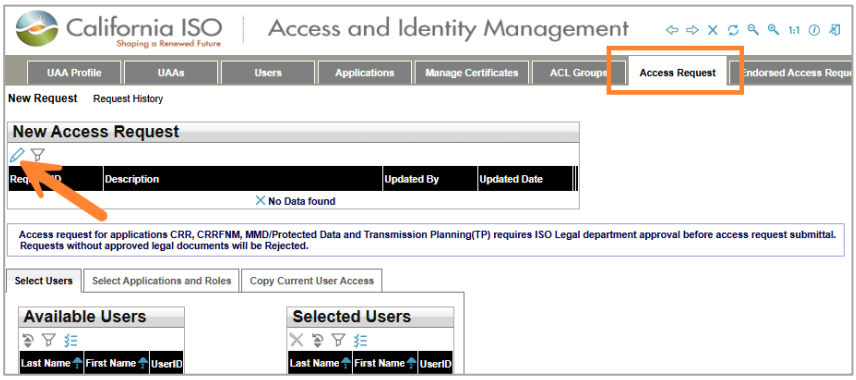
REMINDER: Once a UAA profile has been end dated, the authorized contracts and entities will need to be wiped out. To perform this task, highlight each contract and entity and click "**X**".

Submit Access Request

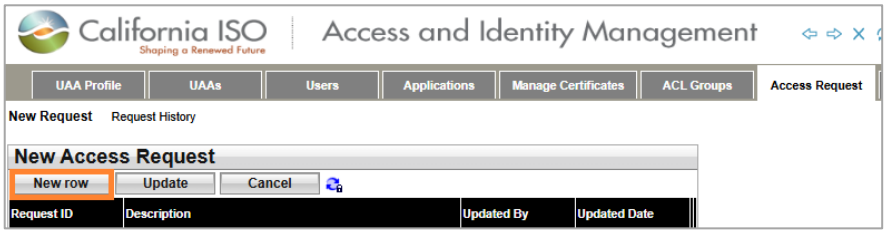
The UAA will use the **Access Request** screen to submit new application Access Requests as well as view the status of submitted requests. Access requests will be rejected for new certificates if a UAA has not first downloaded and emailed the new certificate to the new user.

How to Submit an Access Request

1. Navigate to the **Access Request** tab. Click the pencil icon to add a new request – this will allow you to either add a new row, update, or cancel.



2. Click the **New Row** button.



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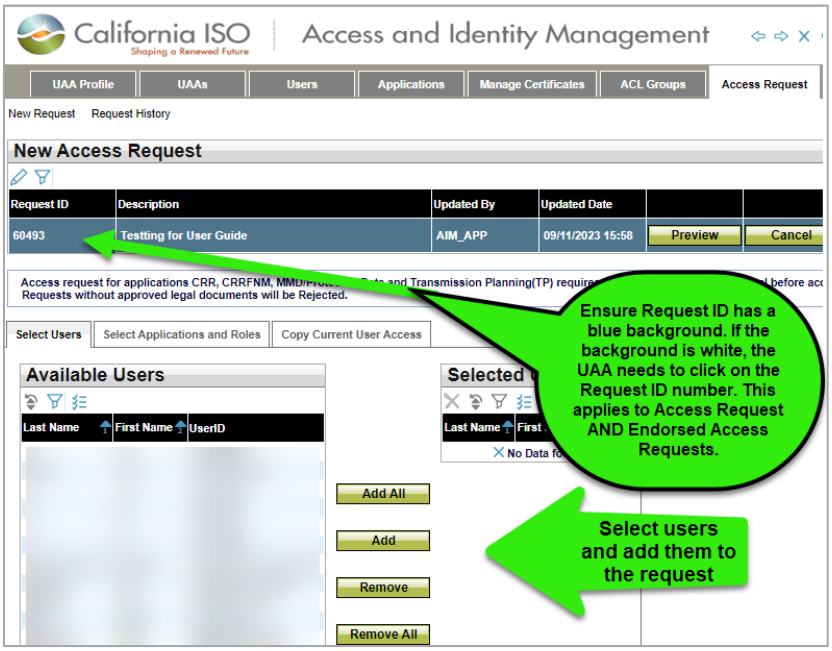
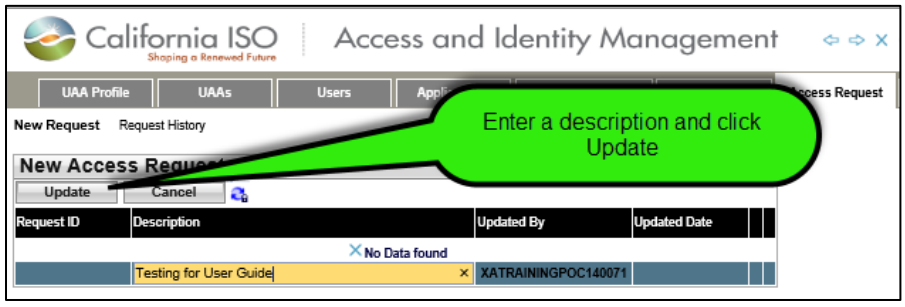
3. Type a description for the request and click the **Update** button.
4. From the **Select Users** tab, choose the names from the list of **Available Users**. (Note: Use "**Ctrl + click**" or "**Shift + click**" to select multiple names).



Note: If the middle buttons (**Add All**, **Add**, **Remove**, and **Remove All**) are not visible, please click on the **UAA Profile** tab, then the **Access Request** tab, and then the **Request ID** number. The buttons should reappear.



5. Click on the **Select Applications and Roles** tab.
6. Click on the desired application and role and click the **Green Add** button. (Note: Use "**Ctrl + click**" or "**Shift + click**" to select multiple applications).

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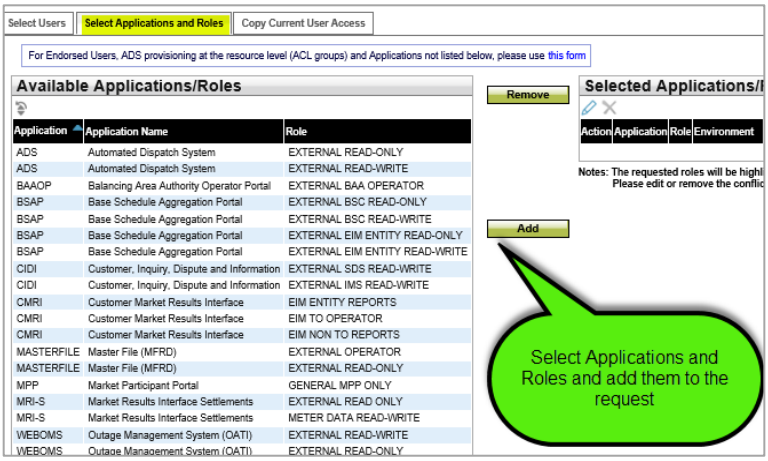
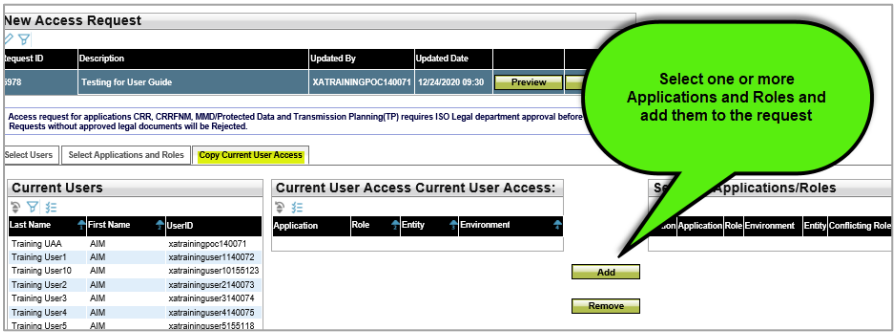
7. (Optional) To remove access, click on the drop-down button in the **Action** column in the Selected Applications/Roles section to change the selection from **ADD** to **REMOVE**.



8. (Optional – **Copy Current User Access** tab).
   a. To view the access of a specific user in order to grant the same access to a new user, click the **Copy Current User Access** tab.
   b. Click a name in the **Current Users** panel to view that user's access in the **Current User Access** panel.
   c. Click on the desired application/role/environment and click the **Add** button. (Note: Use "**Ctrl + click**" or "**Shift + click**" to select multiple application/role/environment options).

Note: You will only be able copy access that comes from your own Organization. If the selected user has endorsed access that endorsed access will not be copied to the new user.

9. After all users, applications, roles, and environments are selected, click the **Update** button in the **Access Request** panel.
   Note: The normal provision for users is either PRODUCTION or MAP STAGE. The STAGE environment is rarely used.



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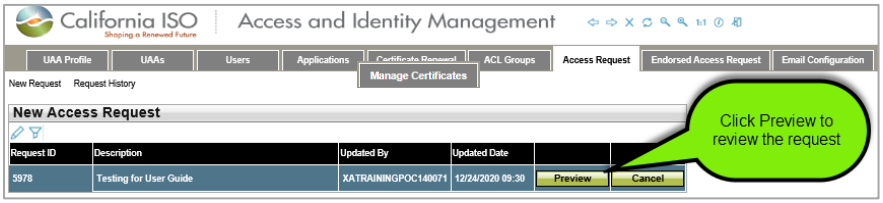
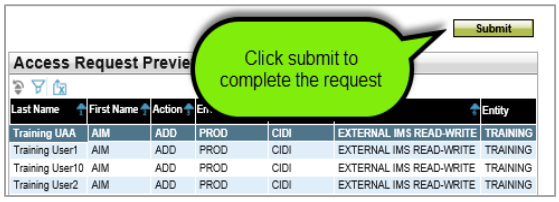
10. Review the request to ensure that it is accurate.
11. Click the **Submit** button in the **Access Request Preview** window to submit the request. Please note, if changes need to be made, close the preview window and edit the request as needed. Click the **Preview** button again and then click the **Submit** button.

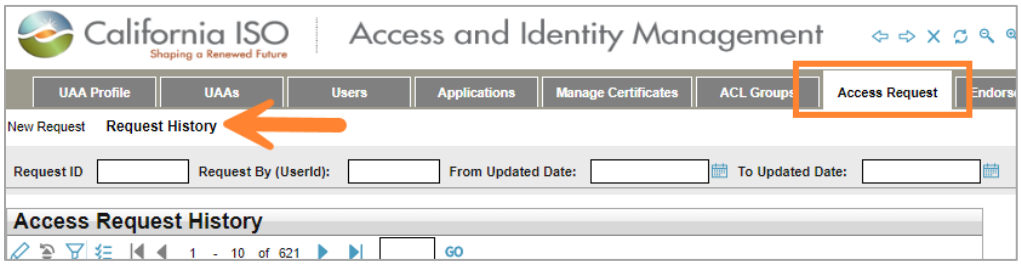


12. After reviewing the request, click the **Submit** button to complete the request.



Access Request Status

To check on the status of the application request, go to **Access Request** and then select **Request History.**



Provisioning access in AIM typically takes 1 – 1&1/2 hours to transpire, but may take up to 24-48 hours to complete for certain applications requiring verification.

- If a certificate is new, and has not been downloaded by a UAA and emailed to the user, the Access Request will be rejected. Please follow up with the user to ensure they download and install their new certificate.

Certificate Process

How to Create or Renew a Certificate

1. To create a new user, please follow directions for the section “How to Create New User” above.

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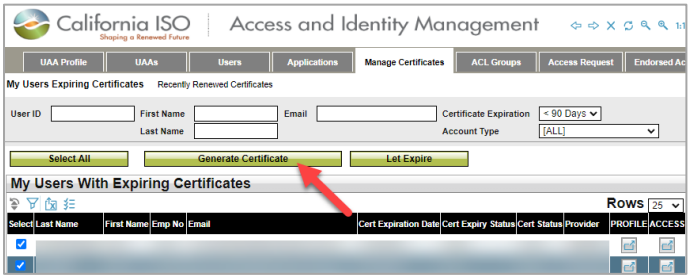
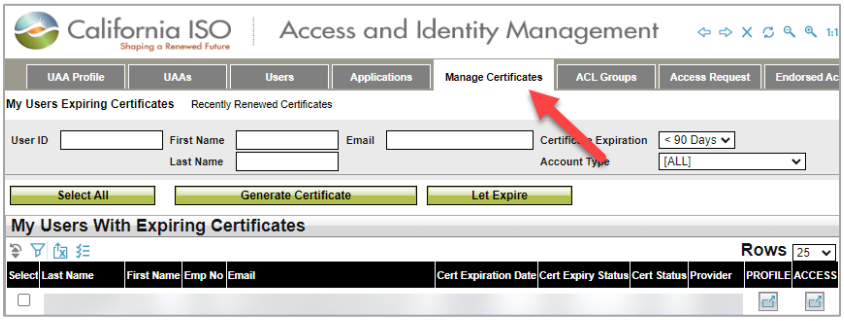
2. To renew a certificate, navigate to the **Manage Certificates** tab. Click the box next to the user(s) and click the **Generate Certificate** button.

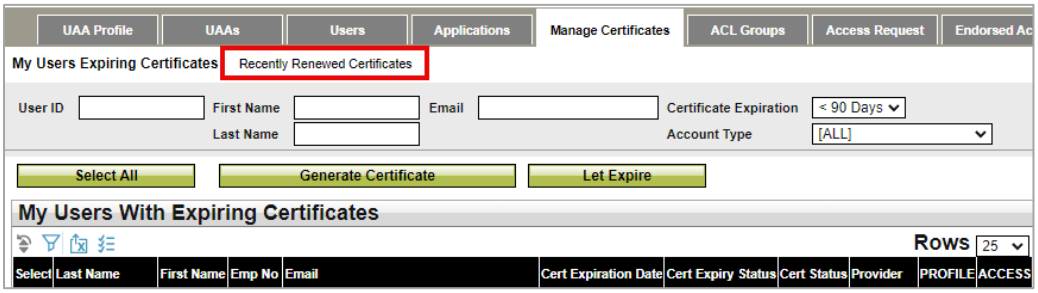


   a. If the Individual is **NOT** listed in the "My Users with Expiring Certificate section" EVEN when changing the "Certificate Expiration" from "< 90 Days" to "[ALL]" and clicking the Apply, this indicates a certificate has been inactive for longer than 30 days. In this scenario, a UAA must create a new User and follow all subsequent steps for setting up a new User for the individual (ie: Download certificate & Email to recipient, Provision access, etc.)

3. Once you have created the new user (or renewed the certificate of a current user) navigate to the **Manage Certificates** tab.



4. Click on the **Recently Renewed Certificates** link.



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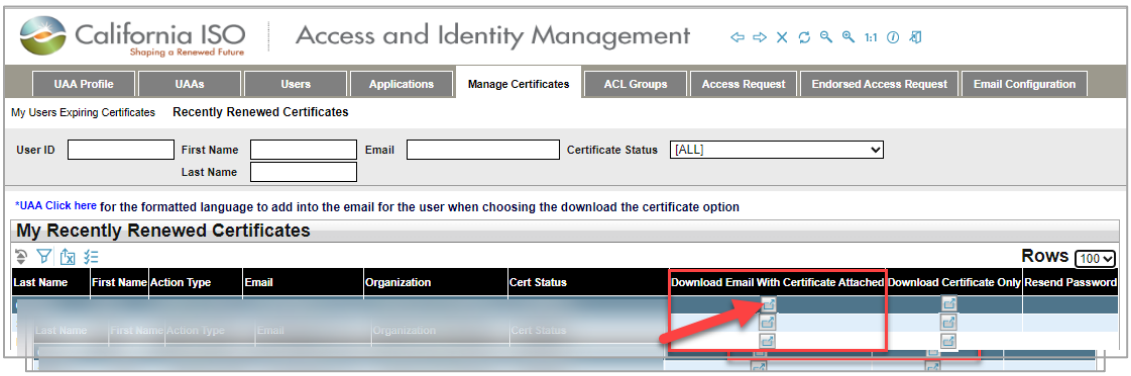
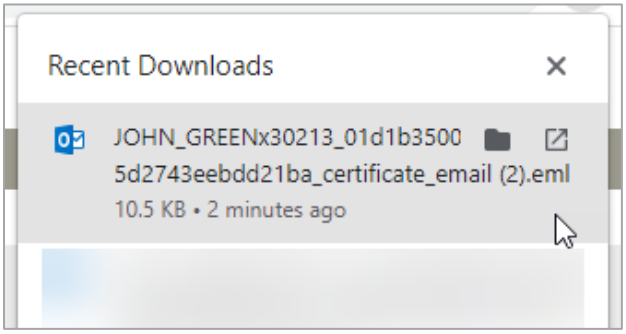
5. Navigate to the newly created (or renewed) user. The certificate download icons will show next to the user's name. It may take 5 minutes for the icon to appear, please refresh your page until the icon is present. **Certificate will only be available to download for 5 days.** *If not downloaded within those 5 days, the UAA will need to generate a new certificate.*

Downloading Email Templates with Attached Certificates

1. Click the icon on the **Download Email with Certificate Attached** column next to the selected user's name.



2. An email will be created using the associated default email program with certificate attached.



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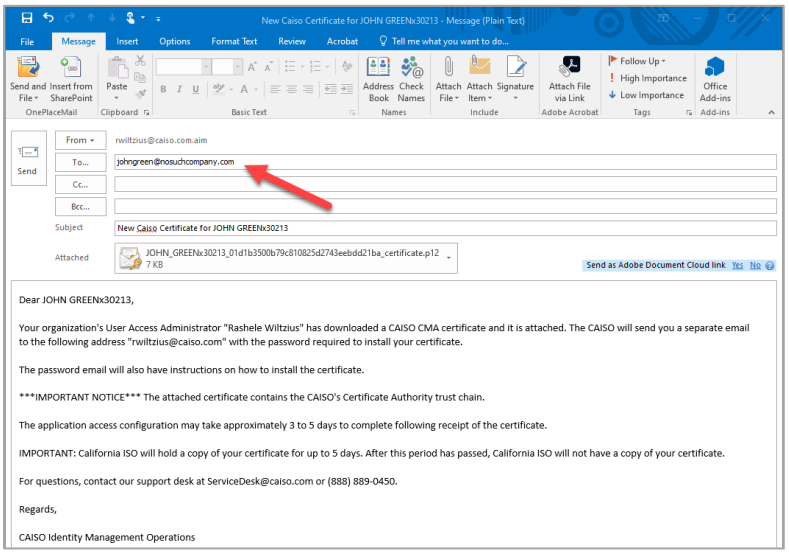
3. Open the email template and verify that the user's email address is correct and that the certificate bundle has been attached. Send the email and inform the user to download the certificate.

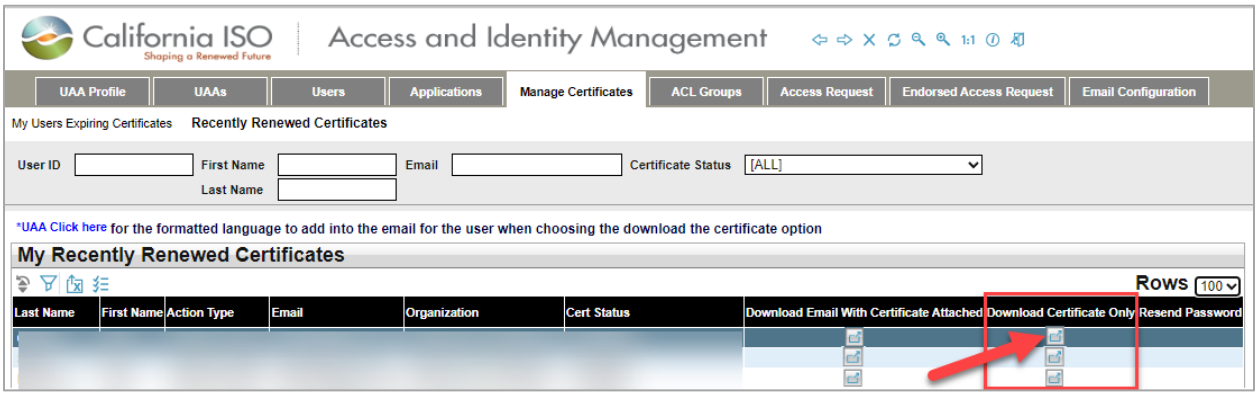
Note: Ensure that your organization whitelists are able to download from the website "aim.caiso.com". Additionally, whitelist emails from the domain "caiso.com", so users can receive their password emails. Notify users that the emails will be coming from "caiso.com" *(If they typically do not receive emails from CAISO, it may have gone into their spam folder)."*

Ready to submit access? Click here.
Need to Create New UAA? Click here.



Downloading Only Certificates from AIM

1. Click the icon on Download Certificate Only column next to the selected user's name.



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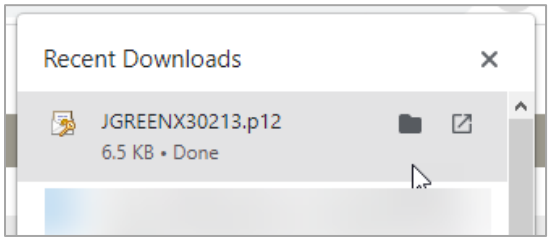
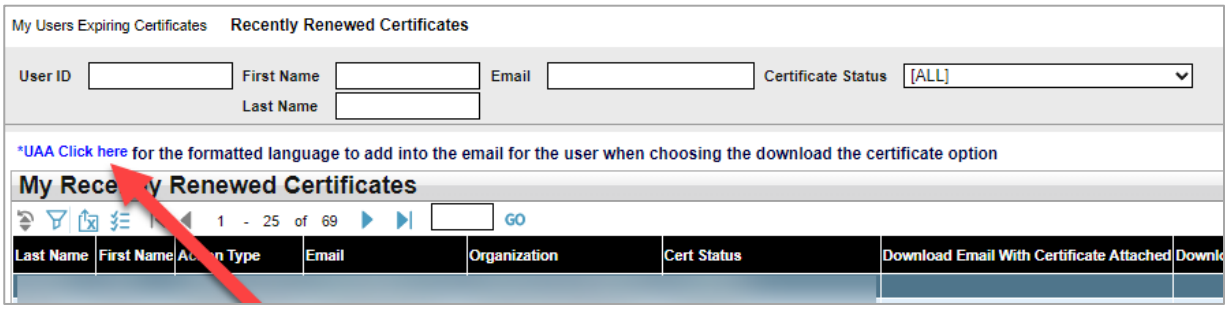
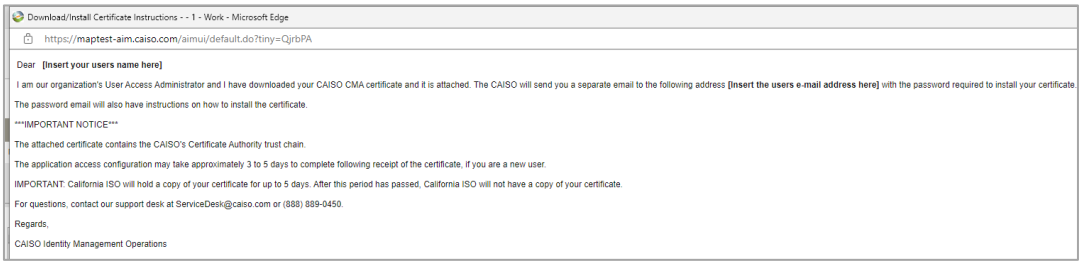
2. The certificate “bundle” (zip file) will be downloaded to your computer and can be found in your browser’s **Recent Downloads** folder.



3. On the **Manage Certificates** tab, click on the **UAA Click Here** link at the top of the screen. This will provide you with scripting to add to the email you will send the user.



4. Copy the wording from the popup and paste the wording from the pop-up into an email (using your default email application) and attach the certificate bundle.



Note: When a certificate downloads, it is in a .p12 extension. Your organization will need to allow email attachments with .p12 extensions. If this is not possible, a new method will be needed to share the certificates with the users. Some email systems may have issues sending these types of attachments (ex. Mozilla Thunderbird).

Resending Customer Passwords for Certificates

Note: This action can only be accomplished if done within 5 days of the certificates generation.

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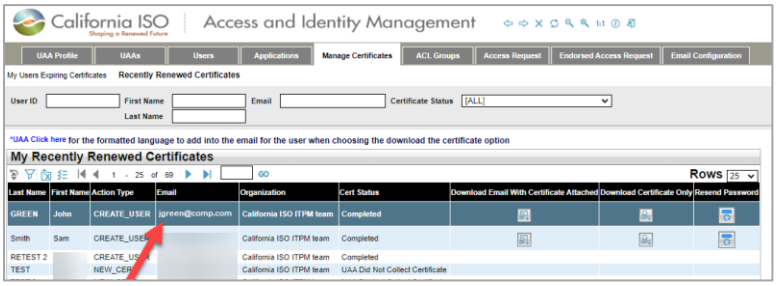
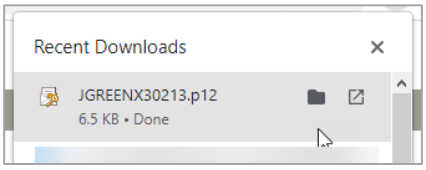
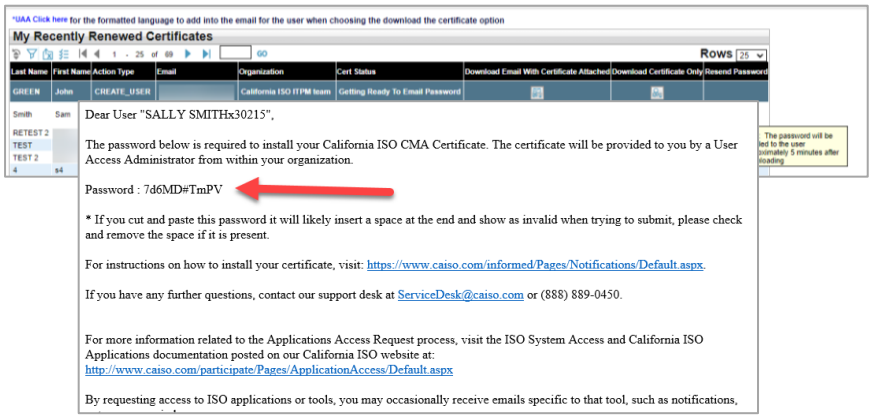
1. Navigate to the **Managing Certificates** tab and ensure that the customer's email address is correct.



2. Ensure that you have downloaded the certificate and send it to the user.



3. Click on the icon in the **Resend Password** column.



4. By design, password emails will not be sent until approximately 5 minutes *after* certificates have been downloaded. If the user still has not received the email, please call the Service Desk for assistance.

Certification Status in AIM

Cert Status	Definition
Active	AIM has just started processing the certificate.
Getting Ready To Email Password	The certificate has been downloaded and AIM is about to send the password to the user.
Certificate Available for Download	The certificate has been created and is ready to be downloaded by the UAA.
UAA Did Not Collect Certificate	After the certificate was ready to be downloaded, the UAA did not download it. *Note: CAISO only keeps the certificate for 5 days. After 5 days we remove the certificate information and you will have to create a new certificate request.*
Completed	The certificate process has completed.

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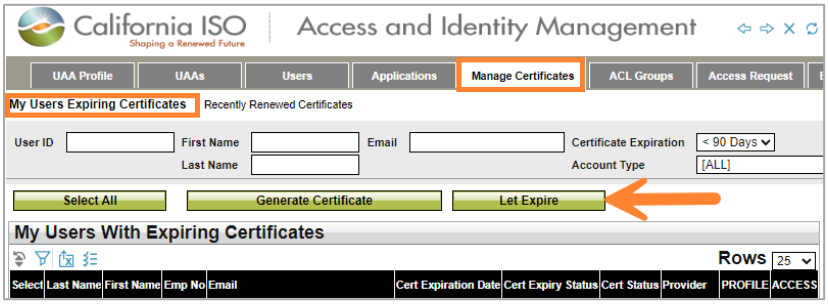
Something Went Wrong – Certificate	There was failure while trying to process the certificate. If this status has not change after approximately 2 hours, contact customer support.
Invalid Cert Request	The certificate request was deemed to be invalid. This is a very rare occurrence. Please contact customer support to determine why this occurred.
Password Emailed to User	The password has been emailed to the user.
Processing Before Provider	CAISO is processing the certificate request.
Processing At Provider	The certificate is being processed by the certificate provider.

How to Let a Certificate Expire

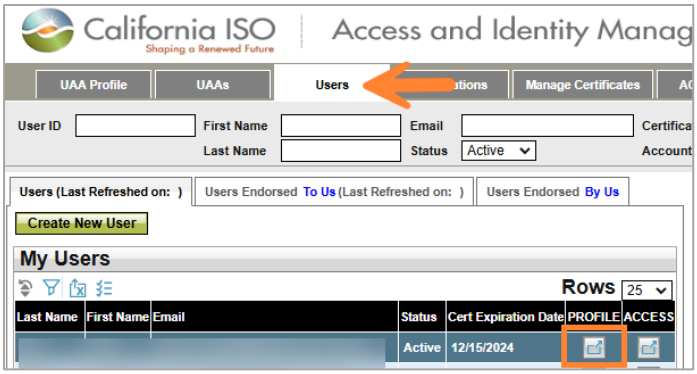
1. To let a certificate expire, navigate to the **Manage Certificates** tab.
2. The **Manage Certificates** tab will display the **My Users with Expiring Certificates** list. This list will show all users whose certificates are expiring within 90 days or less. **Note:** If the certificate expiration date is further into the future, the user will not appear on this list.



3. Click the **Let Expire** button on an individual line item. Another option is to use the **"Shift + click"** or **"Ctrl + click"** functionality to select multiple users simultaneously. After selecting multiple users, click the **Let Selections Expire** button to apply it to all items selected.

How to Revoke/Wipe a User's Access

1. To revoke a user's certificate, navigate to the **User** tab. Find the correct user and click on the button in the **Profile** column.



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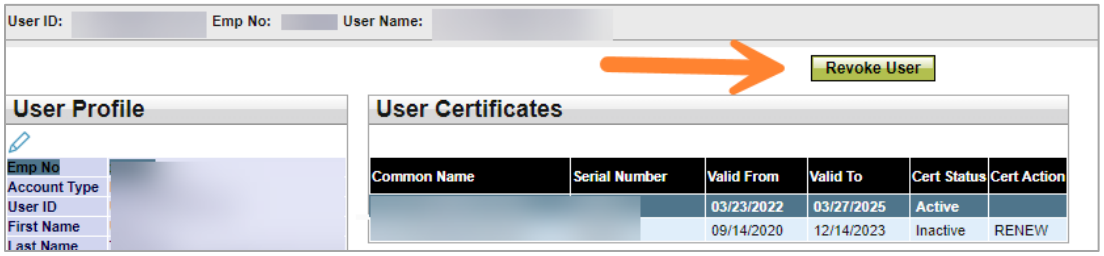
2. From the **User Profile** screen, click the **Revoke User** button.



3. A confirmation message will appear that states: “Are you sure you want to revoke the user certificate and remove all application access for this user? This action cannot be undone.”

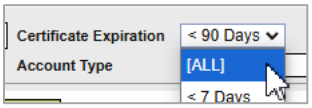
4. Click **OK** to revoke the user’s certificate.

5. Once the **OK** button is clicked, the certificate will be revoked and all application access will be removed. This change will be reflected in AIM after the next data sync period (usually within 12 – 24 hours). Note**:** If a user’s certificate is revoked by mistake, there are two ways to resolve. (1) The quickest way to fix the loss in access would be to create a new user, download and email the certificate to the individual, and then provision that new user all need access. (2) If you wish to keep the user ID as is, the UAA should contact the Service Desk and ask them to re-activate the certificate by being sent a new certificate registration email that will then allow the UAA to add access back. Please mind that if user was a UAA, a UAA Agreement will need to be submitted for this user to regain AIM access.

How to Revoke a Certificate and leave the User’s Access intact

There may be a situation when a certificate have been compromised or is malfunctioning, but the user the certificate is intended for still needs application access. Please mind that the following action will only work for certificates with expiration dates greater than 90 days from the current date. In order to revoke a certificate only and keep the users access intact, please…

1. Start on step 2 of the “How to Create or Renew a Certificate” section above. However, once you have navigated to the Manage Certificate tab, please change the Certificate Expiration filter from “<90 Days” to “[ALL]”, then click the “Apply” button.



2. After clicking the Generate Certificate button, you should see a pop up message warning that by continuing, the older certificate will be revoked. (This message will not

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appear if the certificate you are generating a replacement expires within 90 days. In that scenario, the older certificates will remain intact until the expiration date.)

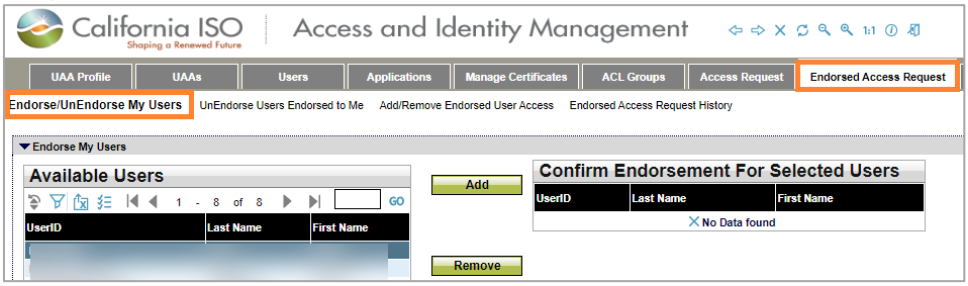
3. By clicking submit, the older certificate will be revoked and a new replacement certificate will become available to download and send to the intended certificate user. For those instructions see the "Download Email Template with Attached Certificates" above.

How to Submit Endorse User Access

Endorsed/UnEndorse My Users – The top section of this display (**Endorse My Users**) shows a list of my users that are available to be Endorsed by other organizations. The bottom section of this display (**UnEndorse My Users**) shows a list of my users that are already Endorsed Users to other organizations and are ready to be UnEndorsed. Both of these sections are based on **My Users**. The top section is My Users to be Endorsed and the bottom section is My Users to be UnEndorsed.

UAA Submits Initial Endorse User Access Request to another UAA

1. Click on **Endorse/UnEndorse My Users** sub tab under the **Endorsed Access Request** tab.



2. Select applicable user(s) from **Available Users** box. Then, click on the **Add** button to move applicable user(s) to the **Selected Users** box to the right. (Note: Use **"Ctrl + click"** or **"Shift + click"** to select multiple names).
3. From the drop down box on the right side of **Select an Organization**, please select the organization that you would like the user to have access.

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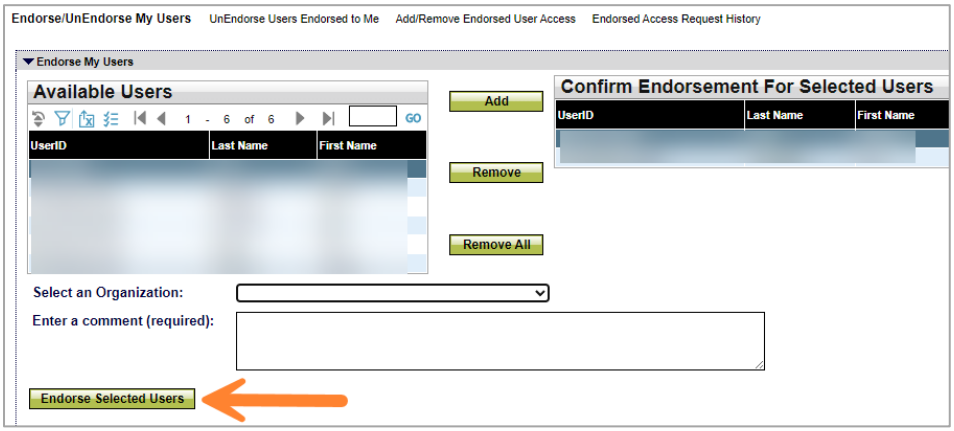
4. Enter a brief description of your request. This description will be viewed by the granting UAA. Note: Please do not include any special characters in the description field. Otherwise, the **Endorse Selected Users** button will not work. Click the **Endorse Selected Users** button.

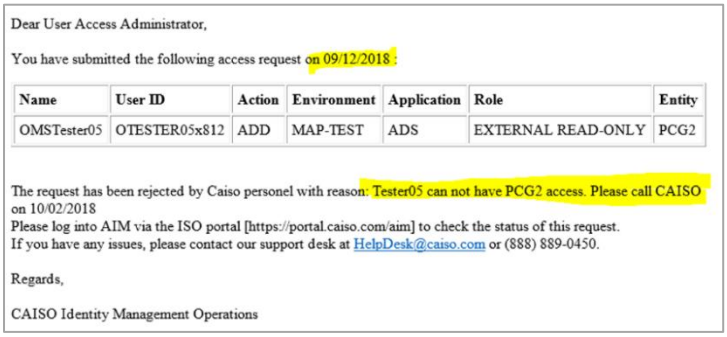


Key Reminders

- Remember that the act of endorsing is done at the certificate level – once a certificate is endorsed to another company, the Endorsed UAA and the Endorser UAA can manage the request to add additional access outside of AIM, although the access itself is provisioned via AIM by the Endorser UAA.
- If a certificate is already endorsed, the UAA will get an error in AIM.
- The Endorser UAA will see in the main **UAA Profile** tab that they have requests waiting.

Note: AIM will send out a generated email notification to both the organization's UAA when endorsed user application request(s) are rejected by the ISO.

Example:



Dear User Access Administrator,

You have submitted the following access request on 09/12/2018 :

Name	User ID	Action	Environment	Application	Role	Entity
OMSTester05	OTESTER05x812	ADD	MAP-TEST	ADS	EXTERNAL READ-ONLY	PCG2

The request has been rejected by Caiso personel with reason: Tester05 can not have PCG2 access. Please call CAISO on 10/02/2018
Please log into AIM via the ISO portal [https://portal.caiso.com/aim] to check the status of this request.
If you have any issues, please contact our support desk at HelpDesk@caiso.com or (888) 889-0450.

Regards,

CAISO Identity Management Operations

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Endorsed User Request Email Notification

The UAA shall receive a generated email notification when users are endorsed to their organization for application access. The email will contain the name of the company that is submitting the endorsed user request.

Example:
Dear User Access Administrator,

Please note that the following users are being endorsed to your organization from ABC Energy, LLC.

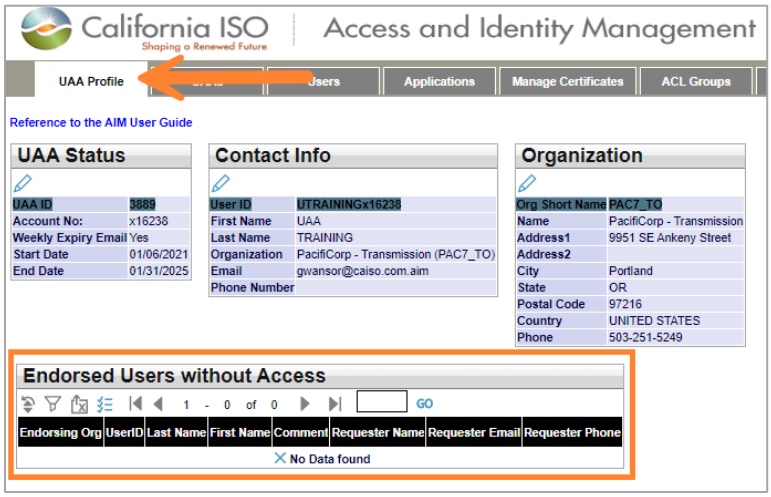
ADS Tester 14 (xatester14122375)

Regards,
CAISO Identity Management Operations

UAA to Grant Endorse User Access Request

For a high-level overview, consider checking out this quick training walkthrough here!

Under the **UAA Profile** section, in the **Endorsed Users without Access** box, UAAs may see users from other organizations waiting for approval. If a user(s) are listed here, that is the indicator for the UAA to go to the **Endorsed Access Request** tab for approval/disapproval of their access request.



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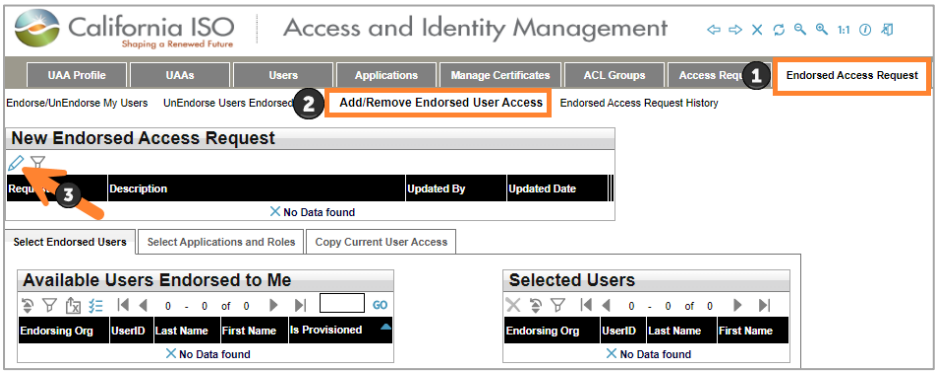
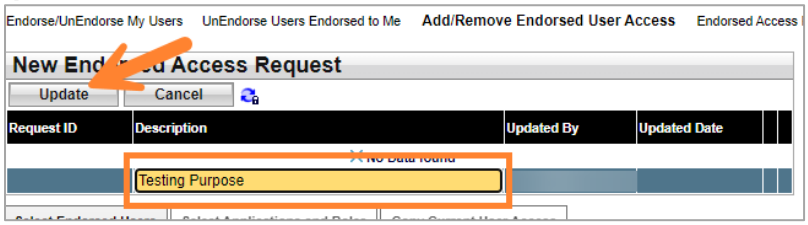
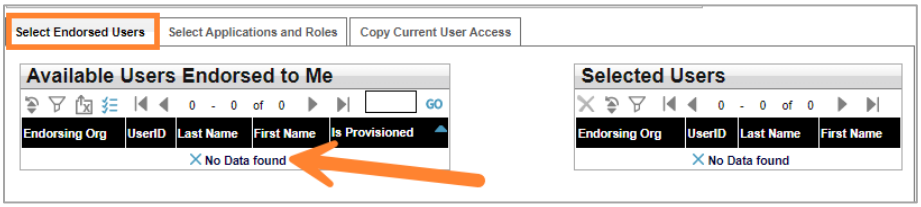
1. Under the **Endorsed Access Request** tab, navigate to the **Add/Remove Endorsed User Access** sub-tab. The granting UAA will click on the pencil icon to add a new request.



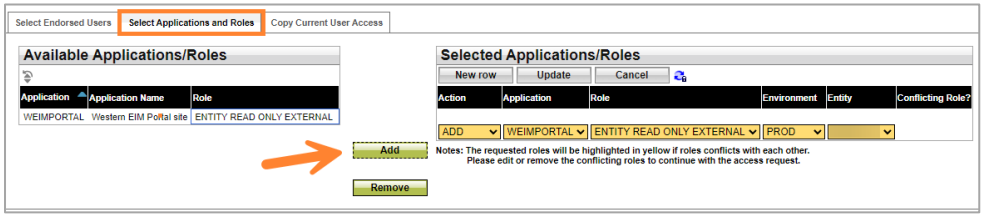
2. The UAA will then click on the **New Row** button, type a description for the request and click the **Update** button.



3. From the Select Endorsed **Users** tab, choose the names from the list of **Available Users Endorsed to Me**. (Note: User **"Ctrl + click"** or **"Shift + click"** to select multiple names).



4. Click on the **Select Applications and Roles** tab. Click on the desired application and role and click the **Add** button. (Note: Use **"Ctrl + click"** or **"Shift + click"** to select multiple applications).



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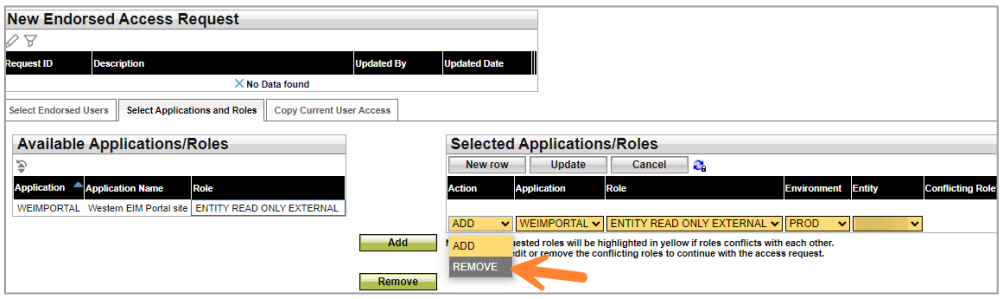
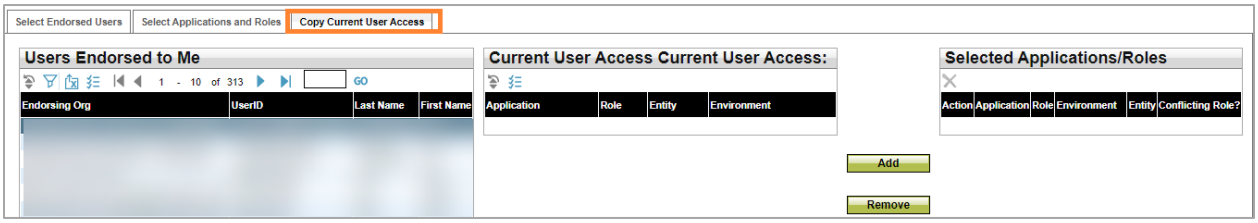
5. (Optional) To remove access, click on the drop-down button in the **Action** column to change the selection from **ADD** to **REMOVE**.



6. (Optional – **Copy Current User Access** tab). To view the access of a specific user in order to grant the same access to a new user, click the **Copy Current User Access** tab.
    a. Click a name in the **Current Users** panel to view that user's access in the **Current User Access** panel.
    b. Click on the desired application/role/environment and click the **Add** button. (Note: Use "**Ctrl + click**" or "**Shift + click**" to select multiple application/role/environment options).



7. After all users, applications, roles, and environments are selected, click the **Update** button in the **Access Request** panel.
8. Review the request to ensure that it is accurate.
9. Click the **Submit** button in the **Access Request Preview** window to submit the request. (Note: If changes need to be made, close the preview window and edit the request as needed. Click the **Preview** button again and then click the **Submit** button.)

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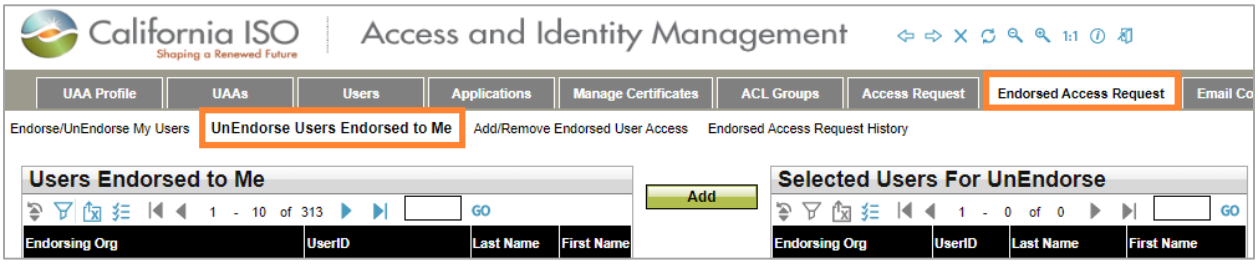
Confirm Endorsement for Selected Users

Before the UAA(s) can complete the submission request for endorsing ISO application access to user(s) outside of their organization, the UAA must check the 'The information contained herein is Confidential and subject to the FERC Standards of Conduct' acknowledgement box in the AIM application.

UnEndorse Users Endorsed to Me

This tab provide a list of Users Endorsed to Me (not my users) ready to be UnEndorsed. Unlike the previous screen, these users are not my users. These users are from other organizations, which have access to my data. The primary objective of this screen is to remove data access from Endorsed users to my organization.

1. Click on the **Endorsed Access Request** tab and then the **UnEndorse Users Endorsed to Me** sub-tab.



2. From the list of users in the **User Endorsed to Me** box, select the applicable user.
3. Click the **Add** button. This will move the selected user from left box to the right box **Selected Users For UnEndorse**.

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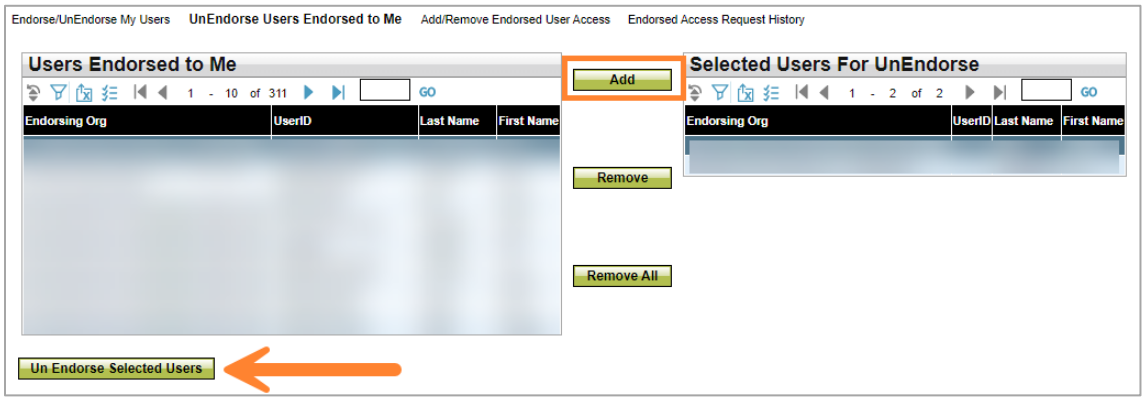
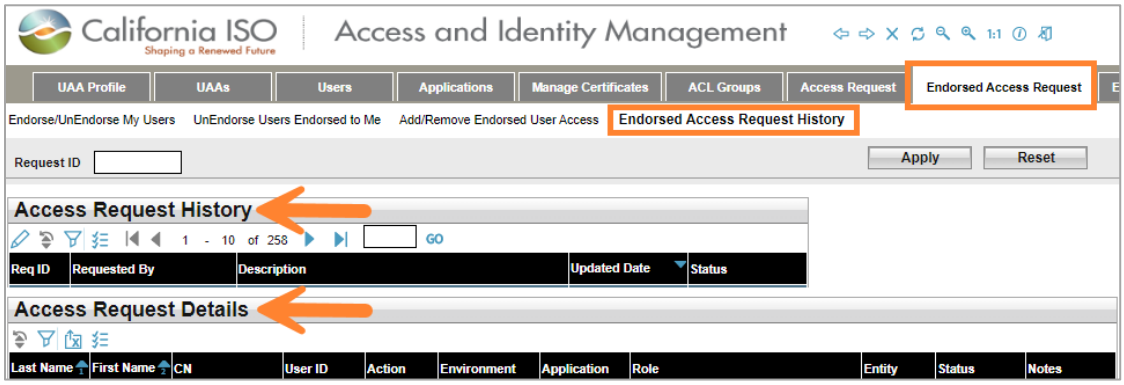
4. Click on the **Un Endorse Selected Users** button on the bottom of the left box. This will UnEndorse the selected user.



View Endorsed Access Request History

This tab provides you with list of your recent Endorsed access requests. The top box shows you the history of your requests and the bottom box provides you with the details of the selected access request.

1. Click on the **Endorsed Access Request** tab and then click on the **Endorsed Access Request History** sub-tab.
2. The **Access Request History** shows you a list of your recent access requests.
3. When you select a record from **Access Request History**, all of the details of your request will be displayed on the **Access Request Details** panel.
4. If you already know the request ID, you can simply place that ID in the **Request ID** field above **Access Request History** and then click the **Apply** button.



View List of Endorsed Users

There is a sub tab under the **Users** tab called **Users Endorsed to Us**. This tab provides a list of all Endorsed Users to your organization. **My Users** contains list of users belonging to my

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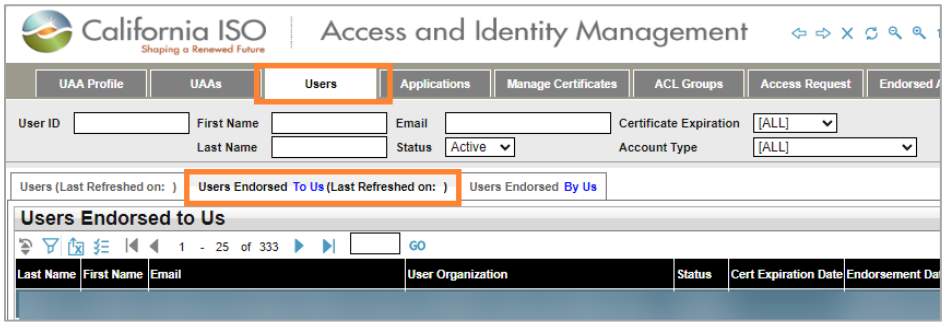
organization. **Users Endorsed to Us** contains a list of Endorsed Users to my organization (These users are not my employees, but they have access to my data).

1. Click on the **Users** tab and then click on **Users Endorsed to Us**.
2. Please allow time for users from other organizations to show up under **Users Endorsed to Us**. This is just a view display.



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10. **Endorse/UnEndorse My Users**: This sub tab is for REQUESTING UAA only. The users reflected under this sub tab belong to your organization.

11. **UnEndorse Users Endorsed to Me**: This sub tab is for GRANTING UAA only. The users reflected under this sub tab do NOT belong to your organization.

12. **Add/Remove Endorsed User Access:** This sub tab is for GRANTING UAA only. The users reflected under this sub tab do NOT belong to your organization.

13. **Endorsed Access Request History:** This sub tab is for GRANTING UAA only. The users reflected under this sub tab do NOT belong to your organization.

Create ACL Groups

An Access Control List (ACL) defines the access rights each user has to particular assets. The **ACL Groups** screen provides the UAA with the ability to create new ACL groups to isolate and grant access to a single asset (or group of assets).

How to Create a New ACL Group

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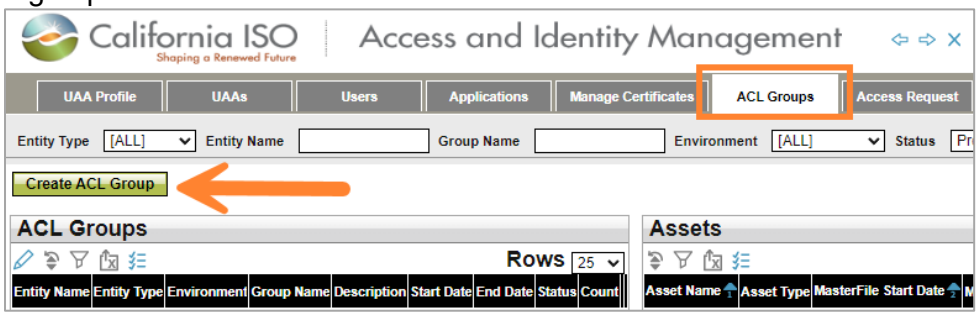
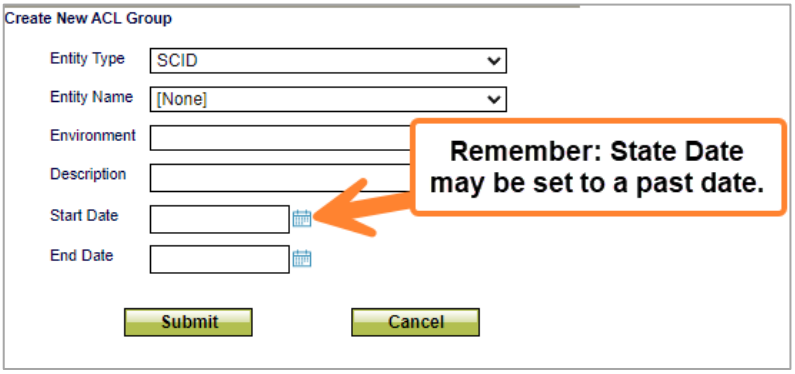
1. Click the **ACL Groups** tab and then click the **Create ACL Group** button to create an ACL group.



2. Select the **Environment** and enter a **Description** for the ACL group. Select a **Start Date** and an **End Date** for the ACL group and click the **Submit** button. Please note that the "Start Date" can be set to a past date.



Once an ACL Group is created, the effective date can be end-dated but **not** extended. The ACL users will still be able to view the data beginning from the 'Start Date' to the designated 'End Date'.

- ACL Group Start and End dates are unchangeable once created.
- The ACL Group cannot be deleted from AIM once created, but may be made non-provisionable by the UAA. This means that the UAA will not be able to provision new users to the non-provisionable ACL Group in AIM; however, the existing users will still have access to the data.
- The UAA can add new resources to the ACL Group, but cannot remove existing Resource IDs from the list.
- Once the ACL end date expires, the existing users can no longer see data for the trade dates after the end date, but those users will continue to have access to the data prior to the end date.
- The ISO **does not** send out a notification reminder to the UAA when the ACL Group end dates. It is the responsibility of the UAA to re-create a new ACL group and provision ACL users.
- The naming format for the ACL Groups will be 'EXC_[SCID] _[Autonum]'.

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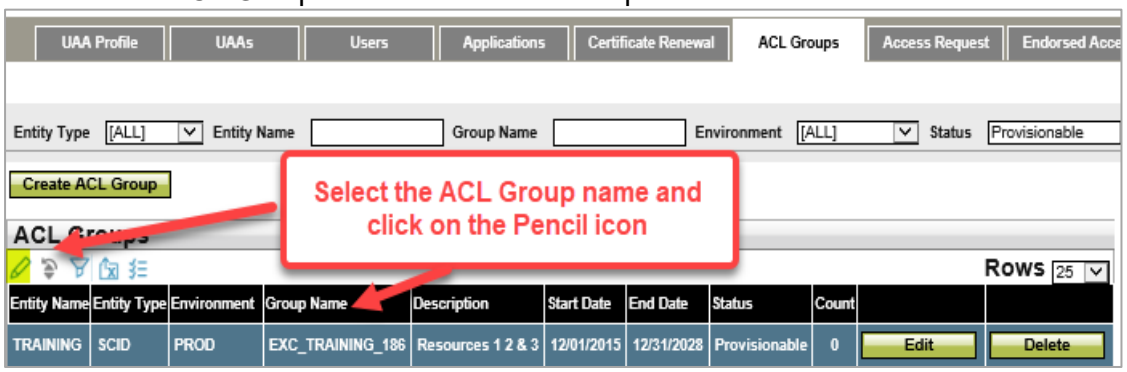
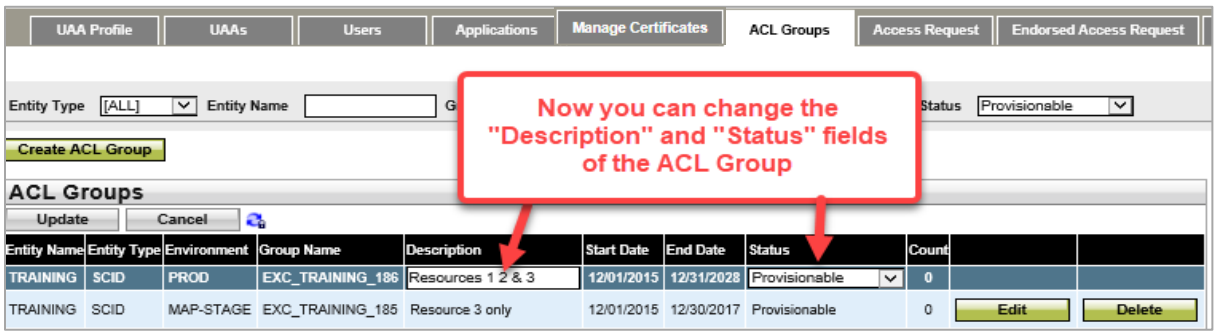
How to Modify an ACL Group

1. Select the ACL Group name then click on the pencil icon.

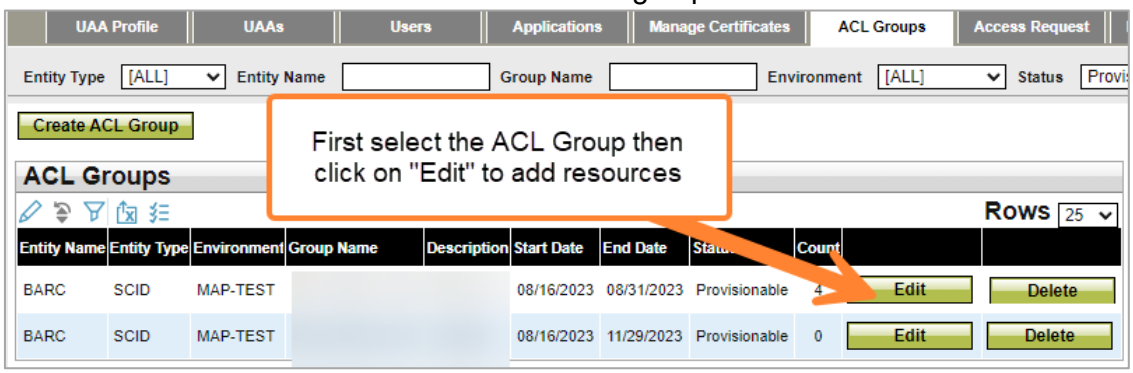


2. Now you can change **Description** and **Status** fields of the ACL Group. You can select "Provisionable" or "Non-Provisionable" from the drop down box in the **Status Field**. Provisionable means that you can provision this ACL Group to users. Non-Provisionable mean you cannot provision users to this ACL Group.



How to Add Assets to an ACL Group

1. Click the **Edit** button to add assets to the ACL group.



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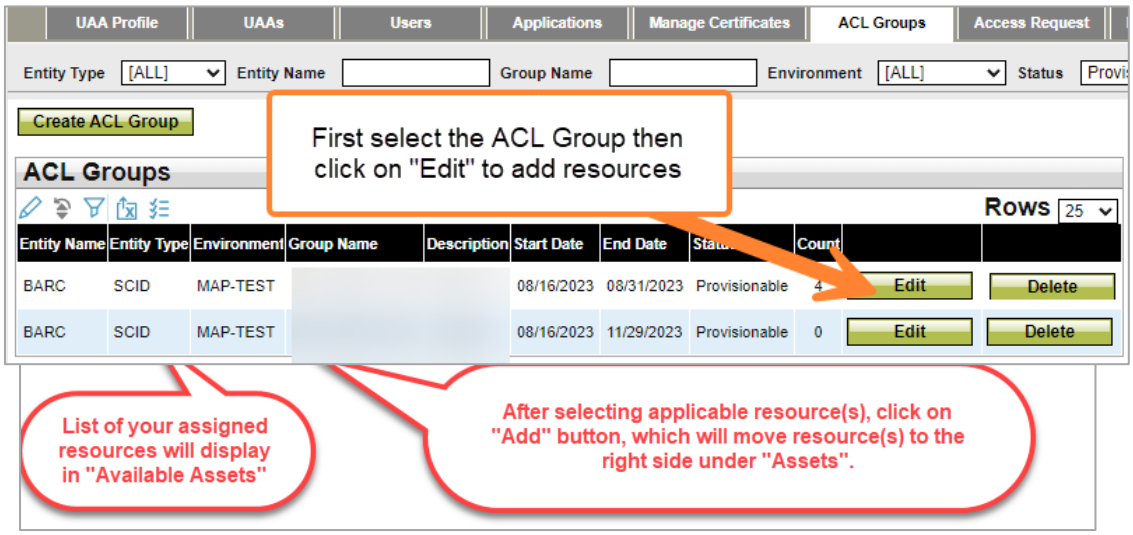

2. Select an asset from the **Available Assets** list and click the **Add** button to add an asset to the ACL group.
3. Once you have selected applicable resources, click on the **Submit** button to **PERMANENTLY** add resources to the ACL Group or click the **Cancel** button to negate adding the selected resources to the ACL Group.

4. You cannot remove a resource from the ACL Group once assigned. The UAA will need to create a new ACL Group for the desired resource.

How to view an ACL Group

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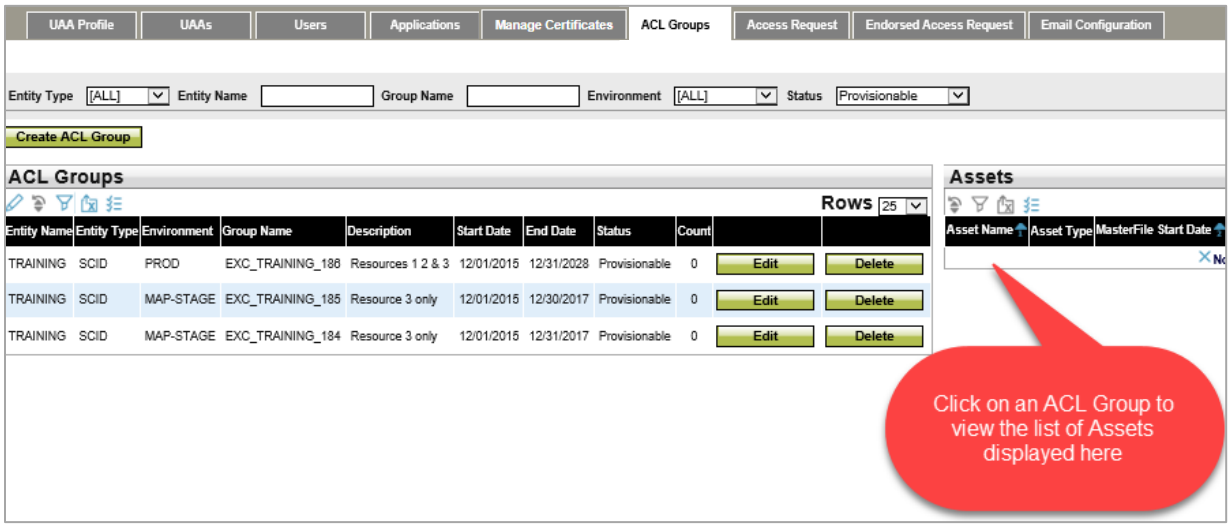
Click on an entry in the **ACL Groups** section to view the list of assets associated with that group.



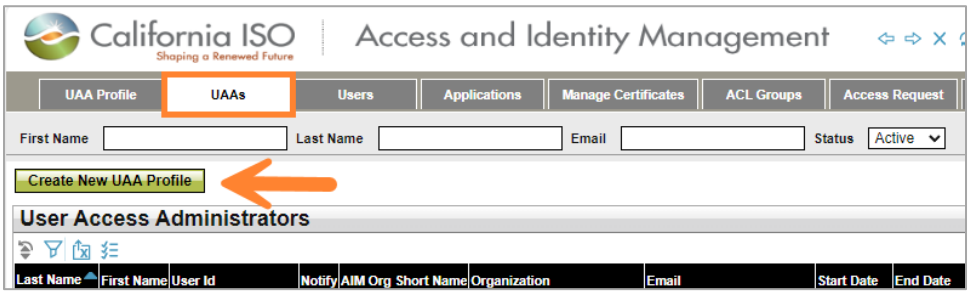
Create New UAA

The **UAAs** Tab provides the ability to Create New UAA Profiles, Add Contracts to Selected UAA, and Add Entity to Selected UAA.

If you are creating a New UAA from a newly created User, please ensure you have downloaded and emailed the certificate to the user prior to Creating the New UAA. Click here for instructions.

How to Create New UAA

1. To add a new UAA, navigate to the **UAAs** tab and click the **Create New UAA Profile** Button.



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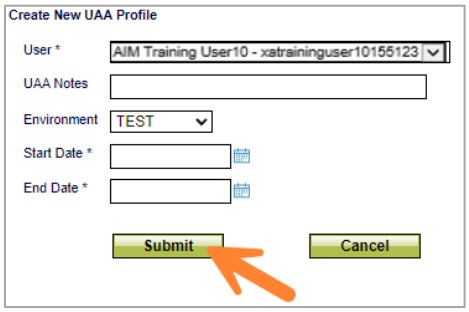
2. Select a **User**, **Environment, Start Date, End Date**, and then click **Submit**.

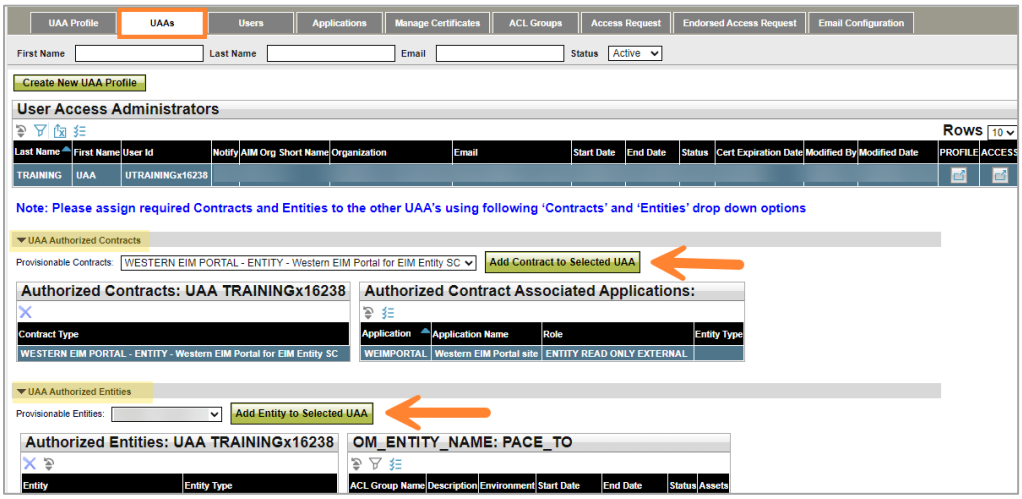


The new UAA will be able to access AIM as a UAA after about 30 minutes.

To add what applications and what organizations this newly created UAA needs to be allowed to provision/endorse access to, please proceed to How to Add Contract and Authorized Entities to Selected UAA.

How to Add Contract and Authorized Entities to Selected UAA

1. To add a contract to a selected UAA, navigate to the **UAAs** tab and go to the **UAA Authorized Contracts** section.
2. Select the Provisionable Contract to be added.
3. Click the **Add Contracts to Selected UAA** button.
4. Select the Provisionable Entities to be added.
5. Click the **Add Entity to Selected UAA** button.



How to Reactivate Another UAA's Expired Profile

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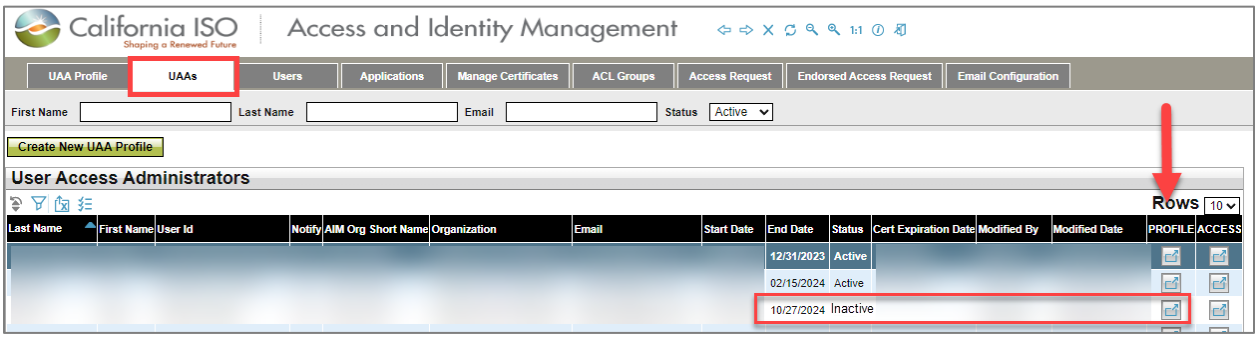
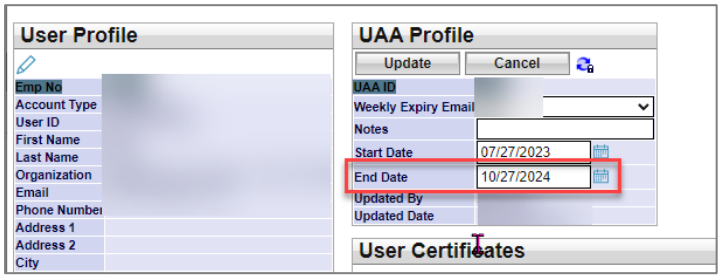
When a UAA's profile has expired, utilize the steps outlined below to reactivate and/or extend the date for another UAA's profile. Please not that automated notifications are not sent when a UAA Profile is approaching Expiration.

1. After logging into AIM, navigate to the **UAAs tab**. After identifying the UAA with the inactive profile status, click the share icon under the Profile Column.



2. After clicking on the **Profile Column**, a pop-up window will open. Under the **UAA Profile** box, click on the **pencil icon**.

3. Extend the date as deemed appropriate and select update to save changes.



UAA Profile – Landing Page

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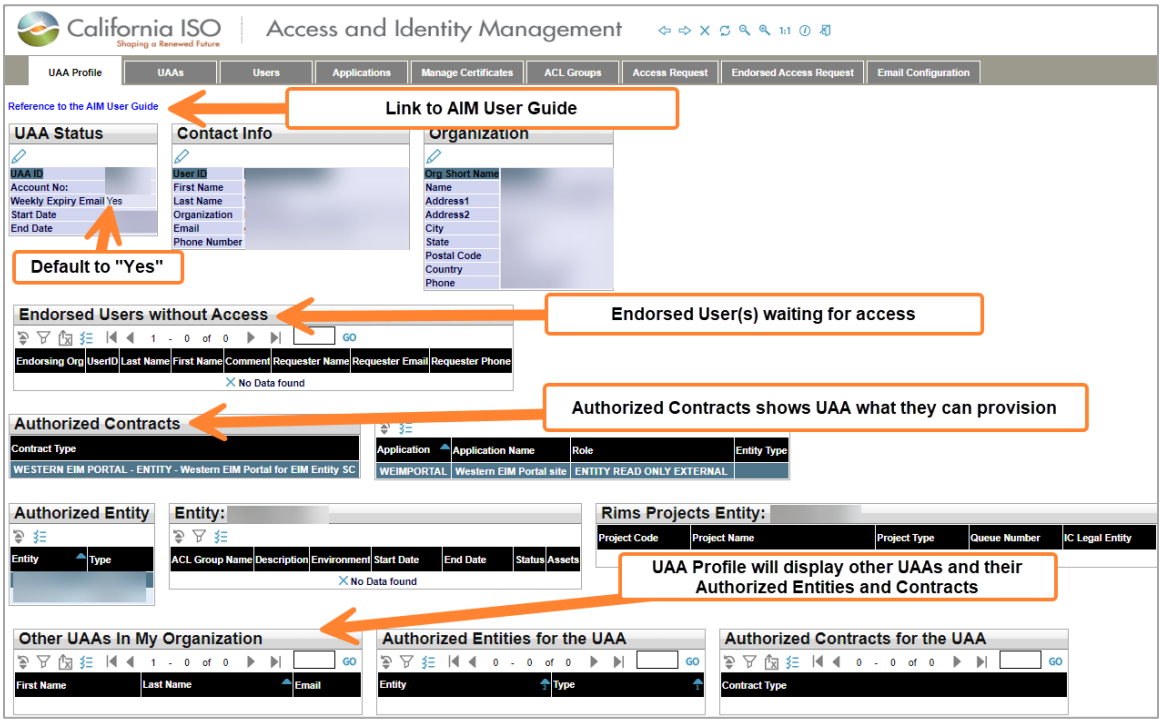
The **UAA Profile** Tab displays contact information for an individual UAA.



Best Practices

1. Must review the ISO User Access Administrator Establishment and Requirements.

2. Organizations should establish a primary and secondary UAA for all ISO application access purposes.

3. For larger organizations, multiple UAAs may be required. It is the responsibility of the organization to determine if any of their designated UAAs should have a more limited capacity to provisioning access from other UAAs.

4. When one external entity requests user access to another entity's data, the requesting entity endorses specified users to the other entity requesting the entity owning the data to provision the access to specified data.

5. It is the responsibility of each entity's UAA to coordinate and validate the user's identity and access requirements.

6. When creating a new user, use that new user's individual email address in the dialogue box.

7. Sharing certificates is **not** allowable.

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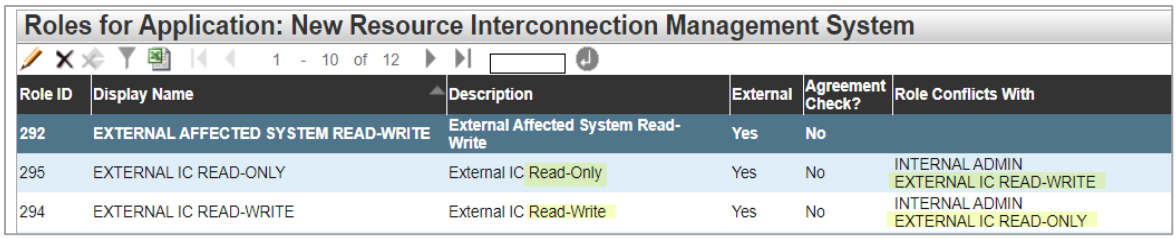
8. UAA(s) must validate:
   - User's job role for requesting access to ISO systems and
   - User must be authorized for the specified applications and permissions being requested.

9. To ensure that user's expiration certifications are not missed, select 'YES' for the Weekly Expiry Email option under the UAA page.

10. Creation of ACL groups can only be done for the following applications: CMRI, MRI-S meter data, webOMS, and ADS.

11. Endorsement of users across ISO applications using the Access Control List (ACL) process **must** have particular attention to not provision access to unauthorized or users not permitted to have access (i.e. merchant versus regulatory organization) in the AIM tool for the same company.

12. A RIMS application user can only have **one** role type per environment.



Roles for Application: New Resource Interconnection Management System

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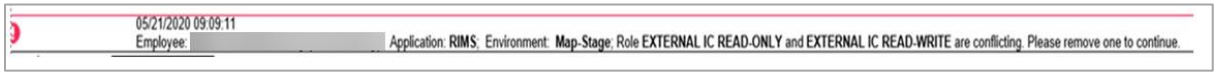
Role ID	Display Name	Description	External	Agreement Check?	Role Conflicts With
292	EXTERNAL AFFECTED SYSTEM READ-WRITE	External Affected System Read-Write	Yes	No	
295	EXTERNAL IC READ-ONLY	External IC Read-Only	Yes	No	INTERNAL ADMIN EXTERNAL IC READ-WRITE
294	EXTERNAL IC READ-WRITE	External IC Read-Write	Yes	No	INTERNAL ADMIN EXTERNAL IC READ-ONLY

In the event that a user is provisioned dual roles (EXTERNAL IC FOR READ-ONLY and WRITE) within the same environment, an exception rule will be triggered. The error message can be seen at the bottom of the application screen.



Prior to implementing the exception rule flag, users who were provisioned both roles in RIMS were only able to see the projects that were listed under the read-only role when, in fact, they had other projects listed with read-write access.

13. For webOMS, the UAA for non-RC entities can only provision their users the 'ADJACENT RC' roles. The users can Read-Write or Read-only but not both as it would be considered conflicting roles. Non-RC entities should not have access to the RC MEMBER role.

14. It is important to note, webOMS must be provisioned separately from all other applications in a New Access Request.

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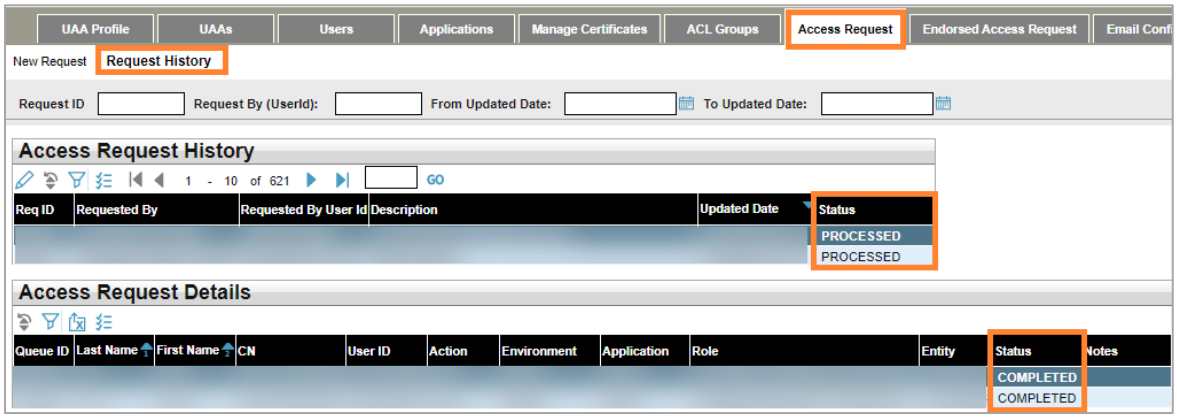
15. For Access Request and Endorsed Access Requests, it is important that the Request ID has a blue background. If the background is white, the UAA needs to click on the Request ID number.

Request History

Check Status of an Access Request

1. To check the status of an access request, navigate to the **Access Request** tab and click on the **Request History** link.
2. Click on an individual line item in the **Access Request** panel.
3. The list of items requested will display in the **Access Request Details** panel.
4. Review the **Status** column for each line item to verify that the requested access was granted.
    a. **Submitted:** The access request has been submitted and is waiting for the approval process to run.
    b. **Approved:** The access request has been approved and is waiting to be processed.
    c. **Processing:** The access request is being processed.
    d. **Completed**: The access request has been completed and the user can now access the application.
    e. **Rejected:** The access request has been rejected and will not be processed. See the notes column for the reason it was rejected.

Click on an individual access request in the **Access Request** panel to show the **Access Request Details** at the bottom of the screen.



Note: An **Access Request** will begin with a status of "Submitted". It will then move to "Processing". Finally, it will have a status of "Processed". This does not mean that all access was granted. The UAA must review each of the line items in the **Access Request Details** to verify that access was granted to a specific user. In the **Access Request Details** section, the status options are Submitted, Approved, Processing, Completed, and Rejected.

Email Configuration

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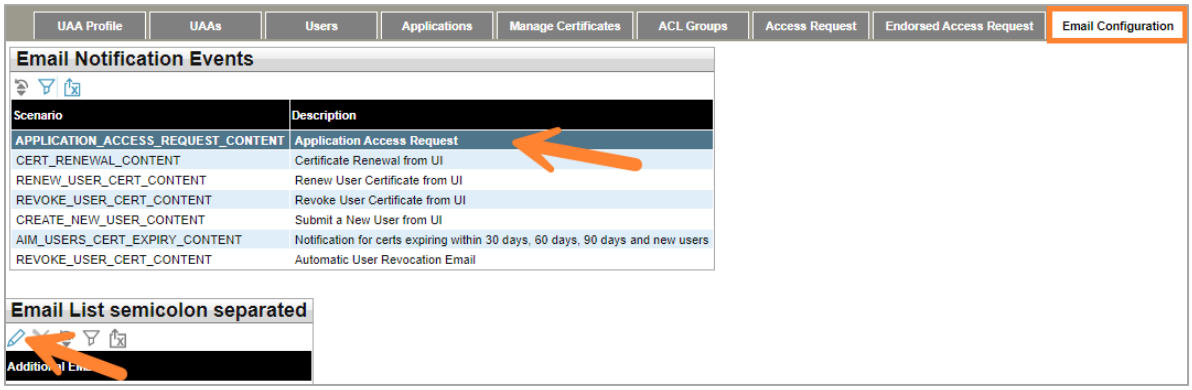
Email Configuration tab is a new enhancement, which provides a UAA the ability to add additional email recipients on 7 different AIM automated notifications. Below is a list of these automated notifications:

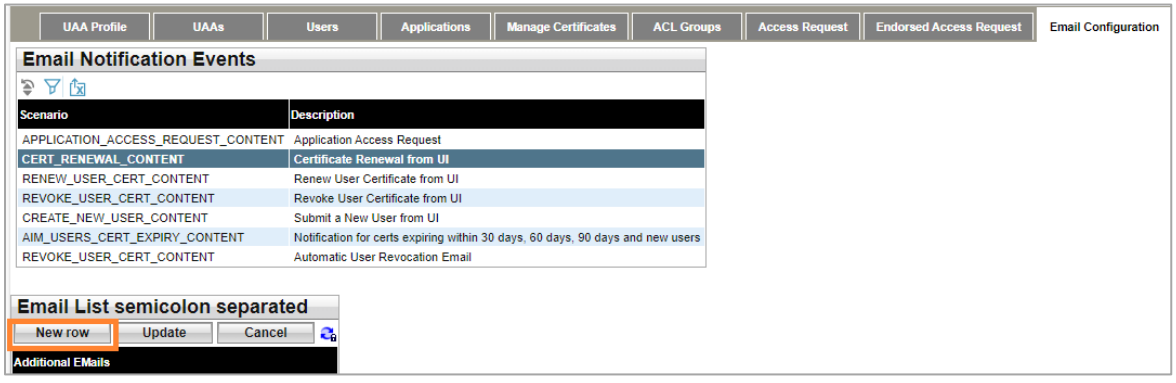
- Application Access Request
- Certificate Renewal from UI
- Renew User Certificate from UI
- Revoke User Certificate from UI
- Submit a New User from UI
- Notification for certificates expiring within 30 days, 60 days, 90 days and new users
- User Revocation Email

Steps to add additional emails:

1. Please click on the **Email Configuration** tab. Select applicable Certificate Events. Example in screen shot below is "Application Access Request." Then click on the pencil icon under the **Email List semicolon separated** panel.



2. Click the **New Row** button under the **Email List semicolon separated** box.



3. A free text field will be activated. Please list applicable email recipients separated by semicolon in this field.

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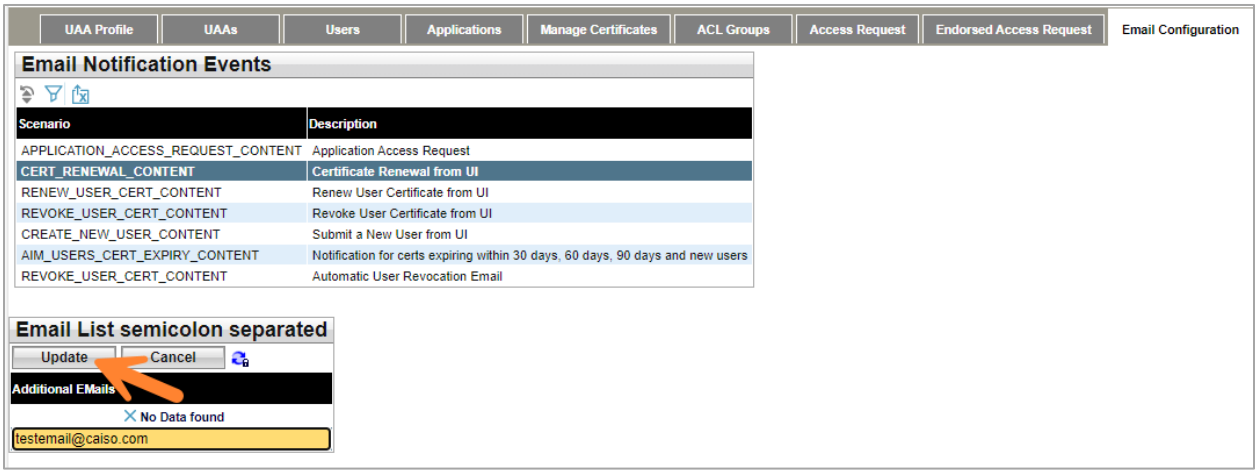
4. When your list is finalized, please click on the **Update** button under the **Email List semicolon separated** panel.



5. If you need to delete an email address, select that email address and click on the **Update** button. Select the entire email address and click the Delete button **on your keyboard**. It will look like the screen shot below. Then, simply click on the **Update** button. This will remove that email address.

Features of User Interface

Application Toolbar

The application toolbar contains the application or browser-based functions.

	Goes to the previous display in browsing history
	Goes to the next display in browsing history
STOP	Stops loading the current display
	Refreshes the display in the current window
	Zoom out
	Zoom in
	Log out

Filter Toolbar – User Access Tab

The filter toolbar contains the account filtering options.

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Apply	Refreshes user data with the filters
Reset	Restores filters to default settings
* wildcard search	Use the asterisk (*) wildcard symbol to search for user information. (e.g. Enter **Chris*** in the **First Name** field and click the **Apply** button to display a list of users whose first names begin with “Chris”. The search results will display users who are named Chris, Christopher, Christine, etc.) To ensure that you see all records meeting your search criteria, add the “*” at the end to display multiple records.

Results Window

	Restore sort to default setting (removes user-created multiple column sorting, which is described in detail on the following page)
	The Inline Filter works as a toggle. Click the icon to filter data based on the content of a particular column. Press **Enter** after entering the filter criteria. (Note: Wildcard symbols can be used in this column, but they are not necessary. For example, searching for *UAA* or UAA will provide the same results.)
	Exporting (to Excel, Word, CSV)

Results Window – Multiple Pages

	Navigate to the first page of data
	Navigate to the previous page of data
	Navigate to the next page of data
	Navigate to the last page of data
	Go to specific line item entered in search box

Multiple Column Sorting

Clicking on a column in the results window enables the user to sort the data in ascending or descending order.

Here is an example of how to use multiple sorting:

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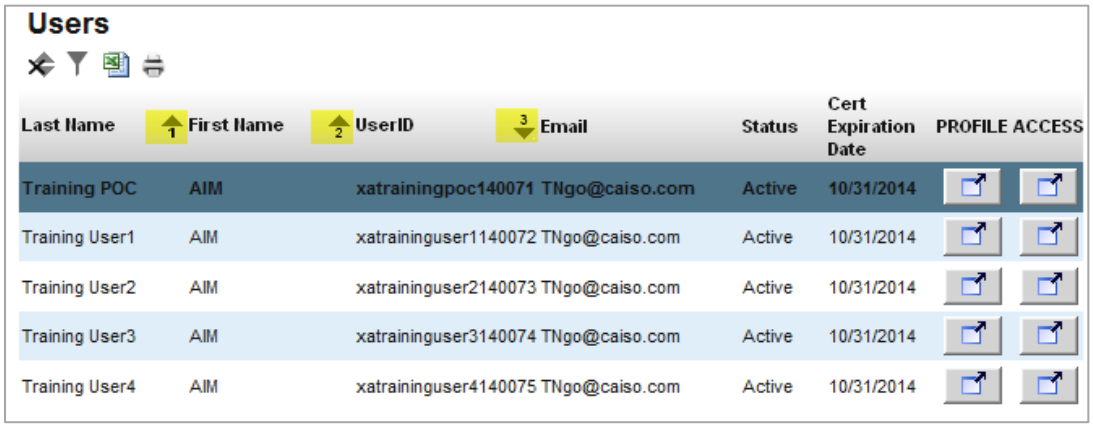
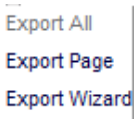
- Click a column header. The data is sorted in ascending order and the following icon appears in the column header: ▲. This indicates the first level sorting.
- Click another column. The data is sorted in ascending order. The icon in the first column changes to: ▲1. The following icon appears in the second column: ▲2. This indicates the second level sorting.
- Click another column. The data is sorted in ascending order and the following icon appears in the column header: ▲3.
- Click the same column again. The data is sorted in descending order. The icon in the column header is changed to: ▼3.
- Continue to click column headers to deselect and then reprioritize the sorting order.

The following image shows the example explained above:



Export Menu



Export All	All data points will be exported to Excel
Export Page	The current page will be exported to Excel
Export Wizard	The user can customize the data export

Export Wizard

The Export Wizard enables the user to export data in the following three file types:

- Export Excel
- Export CSV

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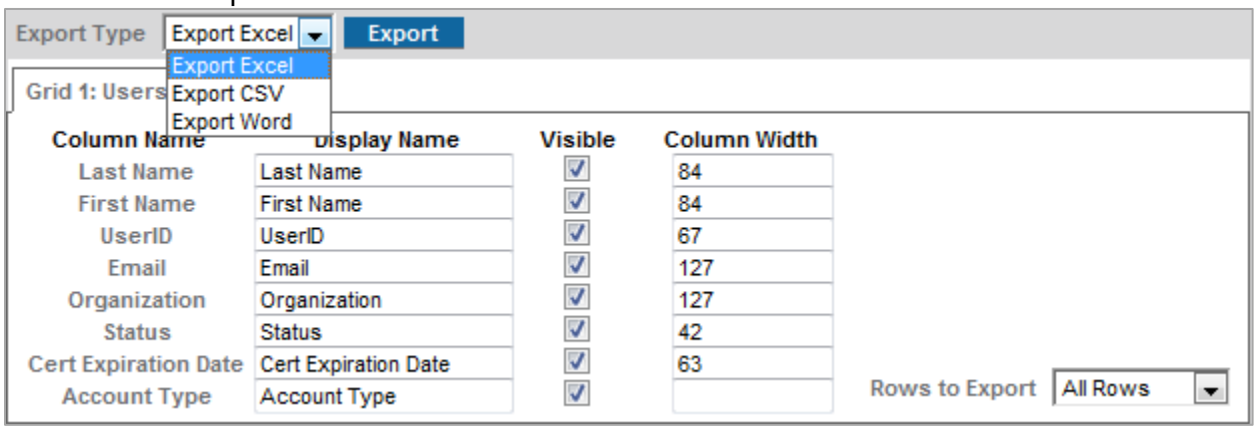
- Export Word



The Export Wizard can be customized using the following options:

- Enable Grid Export: If a display contains multiple grids, the user can select specific grids to export. (Note that the CSV format can only export one grid).
- Display Name: The user can modify the name of a column that will appear in the data export.
- Enable/Disable Column Visibility: The user can select which columns to include in the exported file.
- Custom Column Width: The user can choose to modify the width of a specific column
- Rows to Export: All Rows, or the Original Page

Once the user has selected the export parameters, click the **Export** button to generate a file.

Note: The maximum number of rows that can be exported is 10,000. If the number of rows available exceeds 10,000, only the first 10,000 rows will be exported. It is recommended to use filters to limit the number of results that are displayed in order to export all rows.

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