

Stakeholder Comments

Draft Flexible Capacity Needs Assessment for 2017

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The CAISO issued its draft study of Flexible Capacity Needs for 2017 on April 12, 2016 and held a stakeholder call to discuss the study four business days later on April 18. The final report of the 2017 Flexible Capacity Needs Assessment is due to be filed at the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on April 29² – only 3 days following the submission of these comments. While AReM appreciates the amount of work required to produce each study, AReM also notes that the CAISO’s current process for assessing flexible capacity needs leaves virtually no time for stakeholders to evaluate the results. By contrast, the CAISO’s annual needs assessment for Local Capacity Requirements extends from October through April each year, providing stakeholders with ample opportunity for review, evaluation and comment. AReM requests that the CAISO consider modifications to its schedule for the 2018 flexible capacity needs assessment to provide similar opportunities for stakeholder review.

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² March 11, 2016 E-mail ruling revising Resource Adequacy schedule in R.14-10-010.