



Energy Conservation Tips for Winter

- Keep your thermostat at 68°; lower at night and when not at home
- Minimize power usage during peak hours of 5-9 a.m. and 4-7 p.m.
- Curb hot water usage
- Turn off lights and computers when not in use

STAGE 1

Consumers are urged to reduce their use of electricity voluntarily to avoid more severe conditions.

STAGE 2

Voluntary interruption of service to select customers is required to avoid more severe conditions.

STAGE 3

Consumers are advised that rotating outages are possible.

Power Watch 2000

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(Folsom, CA) **Wednesday, January 24th** has been declared a *Power Watch Day* by the California Independent System Operator (California ISO). The California ISO urges Californians to watch their energy consumption, curtailing their use of electricity whenever possible. Increased conservation efforts during the peak usage hours of 5:00-11:00 a.m. and 4:00-9:00 p.m. would be helpful

Northern California electricity supply remains limited and operating reserves are narrow. Wednesday's peak demand on the ISO-controlled Grid is expected to reach 31,701 megawatts at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Power Watch is a public awareness campaign sponsored by the California ISO to communicate the current electricity resource outlook, in light of the rising demand for power in California. By providing regular updates on system conditions and peak demand forecasts, the California ISO hopes to convey the importance of using electricity wisely on days when electricity reserves may run low.

Incorporated under California law (AB 1890), the not-for-profit California ISO manages the flow of electricity along the long-distance, high-voltage power lines that make up the bulk of California's transmission system. Following restructuring of the state's electricity industry, the California ISO's mission is to keep the open market power grid in California reliable, safe, competitive and accessible.

Information about the California ISO control area's electricity supply and the current demand is available on the web at www.caiso.com.