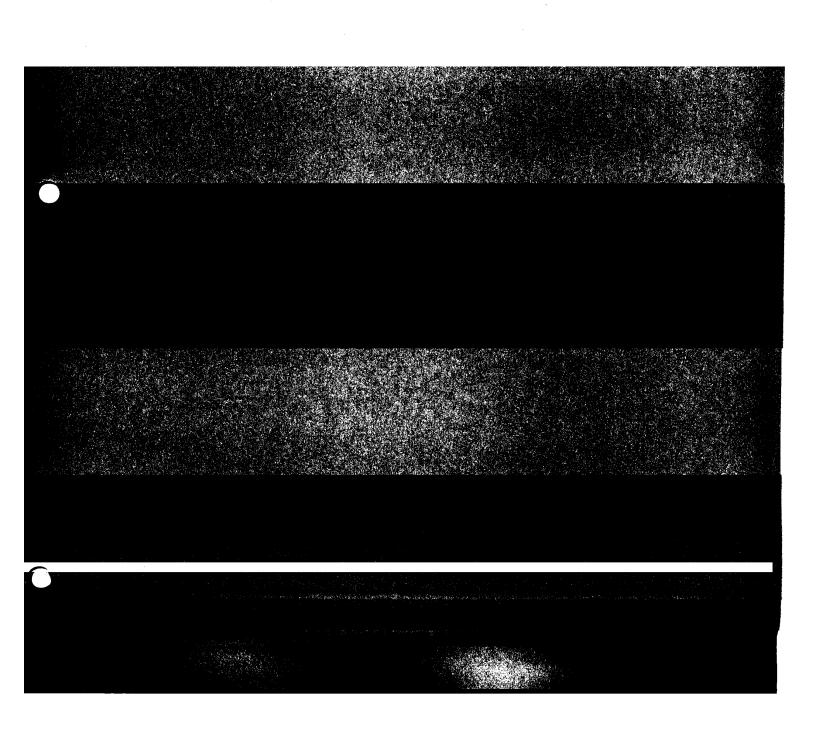
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AUDIT/FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING



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PUBLIC NOTICE OF ISO BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

The Board of Governors of the California Independent System Operator will meet:

Date:

July 23, 1998

Time:

1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (Pacific Time)

Location: Sacramento Convention Center

During the above-noticed meeting, the Board will discuss and possibly take action on the following agenda

GENERAL SESSION

- 1) Public Comment
- 2) Management Report
 - Ancillary Services Market Issue
 - Miscellaneous FERC Filings
 - Transmission White Paper #2 Draft
 - ISO Comparative Analysis
- 3) Committee Reports
 - a) Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee
 - Committee Report
 - b) Grid Reliability / Operations
 - Committee Report
 - Work Prioritization Plan
 - Short Term Transmission Planning Process Approval
 - c) Audit
 - Committee Report -
 - Grid Management Charge Study
 - d) Finance
 - Committee Report
 - Temporary Debt Ceiling Extension
 - e) Governance
 - Committee Report
 - Bylaw Amendments
 - **Board Member Support**
 - f) Market Issues / ADR
 - Committee Report
- 4) New Business and Future Agenda Items

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TEXEGUITVE SESSION

- 1) Finance Committee
 - Pacific Gas & Electric / Duke Settlement
 - Phase I Settlement
 - Work Prioritization Plan Cost
 - Insurance Program
- 2) Governance Committee
 - Impact of the Utility Rate Reduction and Reform Act (Initiative on November 1998 Ballot)
 - Litigation Update
 - Governance Issues Status of Appeal
 - Impact of TURN Complaint at FERC
 - San Jose Mercury News Litigation
- 3) Grid Reliability / Operations Committee
 - RMR Contract and Rate Negotiations
 - Work Prioritization Phase I Settlements
- 4) HR/Comp Committee
 - Committee Report
- 5) New Executive Session Business and Future Executive Session Agenda Items

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GMC Unbundling Presentation

Audit Committee - Governing Board July 23, 1998



California ISO Summary

- Background
- Rudden Recommendation
- Impact on ISO Market Participants
- Feedback from July 9 Stakeholder Meeting
- Process Where do we go from here?

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CALIFORNIA ISO Background

- Board <u>briefing only</u> this month decision sought at August Board meeting
- FERC driver Unbundling study committed as part of GMC settlement
- Goals Independent ideas, participative,
 ISO as facilitator.
- Independent consultant selected
- Stakeholder meetings and focus group interviews by consultant



California ISO Rudden Recommendation

California Independent System Operator

- Split ISO into 4 functions
 - Grid Operations
 - Facilitation of new market
 - Settlements, metering, and billing
 - Existing contracts



California ISO Billing Determinants

- Grid Operations -
 - Volume based 73%
- Market Facilitation and Settlements, metering, and billing
 - Activity Based 27%
- Placeholder for Existing Contracts



CALIFORNIA ISO California Independent System Operator Activity based Factor Options

• Criteria - indicative of activity level, easily obtainable, immune to behavior changes

Option 1

 Schedules submitted - Concern that it would incent SCs to submit very few schedules by Demand Zone.

• <u>Option 2</u>

 Settlement Transaction Record- more indicative of activity and less likely to change behavior - used in preliminary report.



CALIFORNIA ISO Impact on Scheduling Coordinators

California Independent System Operator

•	Number of SCs	Avg. April GMC Current	Avg April GMC - Proposed
	- 1	\$10.6 Million	\$8.5 million
	- 2	\$460,000	\$407,000
	- 6	\$80,000	\$157,000
	- 7	\$15,000	\$104,000
	- 9	\$444	\$38,000
	- 7	\$0	\$162



California ISO Feedback from July 9 Stakeholder Meeting

California Independent System Operator

- Little support for Rudden recommendation now.
 - Shifts too much cost to smaller SCs
 - Insufficient operating data (one month) to support a change now
 - Need a better activity based determinant
 - Insufficient unbundling, i.e. Ancillary Service and Congestion Management.
- Postpone change in GMC until these issues can be addressed.
- Rudden report provided value and should be completed in August.
- Participants must deal with GMC Settlement.



CALIFORNIA ISO Process

- Comments on report due July 21
- Revised Report issued August 17
- August Board meeting August 27
 - ISO Staff recommendation:
 - -FERC Whether and how to file report with FERC
 - -Timeframe for concluding GMC recommendation.
 - -GMC Settlements.