

# Power Watch

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#### **Powerful Habits**

- Set thermostat at 78 degrees or higher
- Cool with fans
- Draw the drapes
- Turn off unnecessary lights and appliances
- Use big appliances in early morning or late at night



#### CALIFORNIA ISO

#### **Stage 1 Emergency**

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

#### **Stage 2 Emergency**

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

#### **Stage 3 Emergency**

Consumers are advised that involuntary interruptions of service have begun and will continue until the emergency has passed.

#### Sunday, August 8, 2004 at 4:00 p.m.

This advisory is based on the best data available at the time of its release. Grid conditions can change rapidly. Information about the electricity supply within the California ISO's control area and the current demand on the system is available at www.caiso.com.

Conservation plays a key role in helping the California ISO balance the demand for energy with the available supply. During electrical emergencies conservation becomes a critical factor in avoiding or reducing the impact of rotating blackouts.

### 24-Hour Outlook for Monday, August 9 California ISO Declares a Flex Your Power Now Power Watch Day

Sunday kicks off a triple-digit heat wave throughout the state that is expected to drive demand for power. Conservation will be the key to getting through Monday's afternoon peak. The California ISO requests the state's consumers watch their energy consumption, curtailing the use of electricity whenever possible, especially in the high demand afternoon hours between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

- Stage 1: possible Stage 2: unlikely Stage 3: unlikely
- Forecast peak demand: 44,700 megawatts between 4:30-5:30 p.m.

## 48-Hour Outlook for Tuesday, August 10 California ISO Declares a Flex Your Power Now Power Watch Day

Triple-digit heat is forecast to continue statewide through Wednesday and conservation will be key. The California ISO requests the state's consumers watch their energy consumption, curtailing the use of electricity whenever possible, especially in the high demand afternoon hours between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

- Stage 1: possible Stage 2: unlikely Stage 3: unlikely
- · Forecast peak demand: 45,988 megawatts between 4:30-5:30 p.m.