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The Honorable Magalie Roman Salas Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Re:

California Independent System Operator Corporation

Docket No. ER02-1656-000

Investigation of Wholesale Rates of Public Utility Sellers of Energy and Ancillary Services in the Western Electricity Coordinating Council,

Docket No. EL01-68-017

Dear Secretary Salas:

Enclosed please find an original and 14 copies of the Motion of the California Independent System Operator for Extension of Time to Make Compliance Filing in the above-captioned matter.

Two additional copies of this filing are enclosed to be stamped with the date and time of filing and returned to our messenger. If there are any questions concerning this filing, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Counsel for the California Independent **System Operator Corporation**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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MOTION OF THE CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR CORPORATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO MAKE COMPLIANCE FILING

Pursuant to Rule 212 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission"), 18 C.F.R. § 385.212, the California Independent System Operator Corporation ("ISO")¹ requests a one week extension to make its filing in compliance with the Commission's July 17, 2002 order in this proceeding.

I. Background

May 1 Filing

In an order issued on December 19, 2001, the Commission directed the ISO "to file by May 1, 2002 its revised congestion management proposal and a plan for implementation of a day-ahead market." On May 1, 2002, the ISO filed the first part of

Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein are defined in the Master Definitions Supplement, ISO Tariff Appendix A, as filed August 15, 1997, and subsequently revised.

² San Diego Gas & Electric Company v. Sellers of Energy and Ancillary Services into Markets Operated by the California Independent System Operator Corporation and the California Power Exchange, et al., 97 FERC ¶ 61,275 (2001) at 62,257.

its comprehensive Market Design proposal, or "MD02", with the intention of following the direction of the December 19 Order and addressing known deficiencies in the ISO's existing market design ("May 1 Filing"). The May 1 Filing contained proposed tariff sheets to make the necessary changes to the ISO Tariff to implement Phase 1 of MD02.

July 17 Order

The Commission issued an order on MD02 on July 17, 2002.³ In this order, the Commission accepted, rejected, and modified various elements of MD02. The Commission ordered the ISO to make a compliance filing with regard to certain of its rulings within thirty days of the issuance of the order. 100 FERC at 61,260. This would make the compliance filing due on August 16, 2002.

II. Argument

In its July 17 Order, the Commission directed, *inter alia*, that technical conferences be held to flesh out the MD02 provisions and to allow for stakeholder contributions to the long-term MD02 elements. 100 FERC at 61,232. Subsequently, Commission staff scheduled the first such technical conference for August 13-15, 2002.

Due to the need for critical ISO personnel to participate in this technical conference during the week that the Compliance Filing is due, the ISO will not have the resources to prepare its Compliance Filing by August 16. Therefore, the ISO requests this limited extension of time to allow its personnel to devote themselves first to the technical conference and then to completing the Compliance Filing once the technical conference has concluded.

California Independent System Operator Corporation, et al., 100 FERC \P 61,060 (2002) ("July 17 Order"). The ISO plans to request rehearing and/or clarification of elements of the July 17 Order in a subsequent filing.

III. Conclusion

For these reasons, the ISO requests that the Commission grant the one-week extension of time necessary to allow the ISO to make its Compliance Filing on August 23, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: August 7, 2002

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in the above-captioned dockets.

Dated at Washington, DC, on this 7th day of August, 2002.

Julia Moore