

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

NEO California Power LLC

Docket No. EL02-18-001

ORDER OF CHIEF JUDGE CONTINUING  
SETTLEMENT JUDGE PROCEDURES

(Issued July 29, 2003)

1. The Commission's order issued on May 20, 2003, 103 FERC ¶ 61,206 (2003), establishing hearing and settlement judge procedures in this proceeding directed the Chief Judge to provide the parties with additional time to continue their settlement efforts, if appropriate, or to assign the case to a presiding judge for hearing and decision, if appropriate.
2. On July 23, 2003, Settlement Judge Nancy recommended that settlement efforts continue in order to allow the parties a chance to reach a negotiated agreement in this case.
3. The Chief Judge finds that it is in the public interest to continue the settlement proceedings to allow the parties to continue settlement discussions with the assistance of Settlement Judge Nancy. Accordingly, the settlement judge procedures before Settlement Judge Nancy are continued.

Curtis L. Wagner, Jr.  
Chief Administrative Law Judge