



December 19, 2003

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

**Re: California Independent System Operator Corporation,  
Docket No. ER02-1656-017**

Dear Secretary Salas:

On December 16, 2003, the Commission issued two sets of data requests to the California Independent System Operator Corporation ("ISO") in the above-captioned docket. The first requests were contained in the December 16, 2003 *Notice Of Technical Conference*. The second set of questions was issued in a December 16, 2003 letter from Jamie Simler. Due to the unavailability of key personnel during the holiday season, the ISO respectfully requests leave for a brief extension to submit the responses.

The ISO will make every effort to provide answers to the requests in the December 16, 2003 Notice of Technical Conference by Wednesday, January 14, 2004. This will still allow parties to respond prior to the ISO's answers before the January 28 and 29, 2004 technical conference. The ISO will also make every effort to submit responses to the questions in the December 16, 2003 Jamie Simler letter by Friday, January 23, 2004. These questions pertain to a topic (local market power mitigation) that was not included in the topics noticed to be discussed at the January 2004 technical conference, but will be discussed at a conference in March 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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