

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. AD07-7-000]

Conference on Competition in Wholesale Power Markets; Supplemental Notice of Conference

April 19, 2007.

As announced in the Notice of Conference issued on March 23, 2007,¹ the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will hold a conference on Tuesday, May 8, 2007, to examine specific topics relating to the state of wholesale power markets. The conference will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time. The conference will be open for the public to attend and advance registration is not required. Members of the Commission may attend the conference.

The agenda for this conference is attached, and contains questions the panelists will be asked to address. If any changes to the agenda occur, a revised agenda will be posted on the calendar page for this event on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.ferc.gov>, prior to the event.

Transcripts of the conference will be immediately available from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646) for a fee. They will be available for the public on the Commission's eLibrary system seven calendar days after FERC receives the transcript.

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For further information on the technical conference, please contact: Robert Hellrich-Dawson (Technical Information), Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-6360, robert.hellrich-dawson@ferc.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Western Area Power Administration****Notice of Proposed Final Resource Adequacy Plan for Transactions in the California Independent System Operator Corporation's Balancing Authority Area**

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of proposed final resource adequacy plan.

SUMMARY: The Western Area Power Administration (Western) is conducting a public process to propose a Final Resource Adequacy (RA) Plan for transactions in the California Independent System Operator Corporation's (CAISO) Balancing Authority Area. Pending the development of this Final RA Plan, Western has established interim RA Plans to facilitate its transactions in the CAISO Balancing Authority Area. Western is developing this proposed Final RA Plan as a Local Regulatory Authority (LRA). The Final RA Plan implemented by Western will be submitted to the CAISO and will be utilized by Western when Western is acting as a Load Serving Entity (LSE) in the CAISO Balancing Authority Area.

Western's Current RA Plan became effective on September 30, 2006, and will remain in effect until superseded by the Final RA Plan developed in this process.

DATES: The consultation and comment period will begin on the date of publication of this **Federal Register** notice and will end on May 25, 2007. Western will present a detailed explanation of the proposed Final RA Plan at a public information forum on May 2, 2007, 1:30 p.m. PDT, Rancho Cordova, CA. Western will hold a public comment forum on May 9, 2007, 1:30 p.m. PDT, Rancho Cordova, CA. At the public comment forum, the public may provide oral and written comments. In

addition, the public may submit written comments to Western at any time during the comment period. Western must receive all comments by the close of the comment period to ensure they are considered. After the Administrator approves the Final RA Plan, it is anticipated that it will go into effect on July 17, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Western will hold the public information and comment forums at the Marriott, 11211 Point East Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA. Written comments can be mailed, faxed, or e-mailed to Ms. Sonja A. Anderson, Acting Power Marketing Manager, Sierra Nevada Region, Western Area Power Administration, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630-4710, fax (916) 985-1931, e-mail sanderso@wapa.gov. Oral comments must be presented at the public comment forum which will be held on May 9, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jeanne Haas, Contracts and Energy Services Manager, Sierra Nevada Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630-4710, telephone (916) 353-4438, e-mail haas@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Authorities**

Western is developing this proposed Final RA Plan in accordance with its power marketing authorities, which includes the Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388), the Act of August 26, 1937 (50 Stat. 844), the Act of August 4, 1939 (53 Stat. 1187), and the Department of Energy Organization Act of August 4, 1977 (91 Stat. 565), including all acts amendatory and/or supplementary to the above listed.

Background

On February 9, 2006, the CAISO filed its comprehensive Market Redesign Technology Upgrade (MRTU) Tariff with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission).¹ Under the MRTU Tariff, the CAISO proposed to end the current "must offer" structure and transition to a capacity-based system. In this capacity-based system, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and other LRAs establish procurement requirements for all LSEs within their jurisdiction to obtain sufficient resources to meet their load with an adequate reserve margin and to ensure appropriate resources will be made available to the CAISO in the Day-Ahead Market, the Hour-Ahead

¹ 72 Fed. Reg. 14,801 (March 29, 2007).

¹ FERC Docket ER06-615 (2006).