

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

STAFF NOTICE OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS

(September 13, 2012)

Take notice¹ that in a nonpublic preliminary investigation pursuant to 18 CFR Part 1b, the staff of the Office of Enforcement of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has preliminarily determined that California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) violated multiple Reliability Standards approved by the Commission.²

CAISO operates a portion of the Bulk Power System in California. Staff alleges that CAISO violated two Mandatory Reliability Standards in connection with its management of a local reliability requirement in the San Diego area. These violations resulted in CAISO erroneously and unnecessarily issuing directives to shed firm Load in the San Diego area on the night of March 31-April 1, 2010. Specifically, staff alleges that CAISO violated the following Reliability Standards: PER-002-0 (Operating Personnel Training) Requirements R1 and R3; and TOP-002-2a (Normal Operations Planning) Requirements R1 and R6.

This notice does not confer a right on third-parties to intervene in the investigation or any other right with respect to the investigation.

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Deputy Secretary.

¹ *Enforcement of Statutes, Regulations, and Orders*, 129 FERC ¶ 61,247 (2009), *order on reh'g*, 134 FERC ¶ 61,054 (2011).

² *Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System*, Order No. 693, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,242, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 693-A, 120 FERC ¶ 61,053 (2007)

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