UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Flexible and Local Resources Needed for Reliability in the California Wholesale Electric Market Docket No. AD13-5-000

NOTICE OF STAFF TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

(May 28, 2013)

This notice establishes the location and date for the technical conference directed by the Commission in an Order on California Independent System Operator Corporation's (CAISO) proposal to implement an interim flexible capacity and local reliability resource retention mechanism. The technical conference is intended to facilitate a structured dialogue on flexible and local resources at risk of retirement for CAISO and its stakeholders to focus on the development of a market-based mechanism to provide incentives to ensure that the reliability needs are met. The technical conference will be held on July 31, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on August 1, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Pacific Time) in the Auditorium at the California Natural Resources Agency, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California, 95814. The technical conference will be led by FERC staff, with presentations from panelists. A subsequent notice detailing the topics to be discussed and agenda will be issued in advance of the conference.

Those interested in participating in panel discussions should notify the Commission by close of business on June 14 by completing the online form at: https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/elec-markets-07-31-13-speaker-form.asp. Due to time constraints, staff may not be able to accommodate all of those interested in speaking. After June 14 staff will notify those who are selected to speak at the conference. A supplemental notice will be issued prior to the technical conference with information about the agenda and organization of the technical conference.

There is no fee to attend, and no deadline to register to attend the conference. However, because there will be limited seating for the conference, those attending the conference are encouraged to pre-register by July 17 by filling out the on-line registration form located at: https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/elec-markets-07-31-13-form.asp.

 $^{^1}$ Cal. Indep. Sys. Operator Corp., 142 FERC \P 61,248 (2013) (March 29 Order).

The technical conference will not be transcribed. However, there will be a free audiocast of the conference. The audiocast will allow persons to listen to the conference, but not participate. Anyone with Internet access who wants to listen can do so by navigating to the Calendar of Events at www.ferc.gov and locating the technical conference will conference in the Calendar. The FERC website's link to the technical conference will contain a link to the audiocast. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the audiocast. If you have questions, visit www.CapitolConnection.org or call 703-992-3100.

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