

procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE"; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

o. Procedural Schedule and Final Amendments: The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Scoping Document: April 2004.

Notice that application is ready for environmental analysis: July 2004.

Notice of the availability of the EA: November 2004.

Ready for Commission decision on the application: February 2005.

Unless substantial comments are received in response to the EA, staff intends to prepare a single EA in this case. If substantial comments are received in response to the EA, a final EA will be prepared with the following modifications to the schedule.

Notice of the availability of the final EA: February 2005.

Ready for Commission's decision on the application: February 2005.

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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[Docket Nos. ER02-1656-017 and ER02-1656-018]

California Independent System Operator Corporation; Notice Establishing Due Dates for Filing Comments Arising From January 28-29, 2004, Staff Technical Conference and Announcing Location for March 3-5, 2004, Staff Technical Conference

February 12, 2004.

On January 28-29, 2004, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Staff held a technical conference to discuss with state representatives and market participants in California various substantive issues related to the California Independent System Operator Corporation's (CAISO) Revised MD02 proposal, including the flexible offer obligation proposal, the residual unit commitment process, pricing for constrained-output generators, marginal losses, and ancillary services.

Interested participants should submit comments arising from the discussions at the January 28-29 technical conference no later than February 17, 2004, as previously announced at the technical conference. The CAISO is also expected to respond substantively to these comments by February 24, 2004. The participants' comments and the CAISO's response will form the basis for further discussion of issues pertaining to the flexible offer obligation proposal, the residual unit commitment process, and constrained-output generators, among other things, at the Staff technical conference on March 3-5, 2004, as announced in the Notice of Technical Conference issued on February 6, 2004. The final agenda of the conference will be announced in a subsequent notice.

The March 3-5, 2004 technical conference will begin at 9 a.m. Pacific time on each day, and will adjourn at 5 p.m. Pacific time on March 5, 2004. The conference will be held at San Francisco Downtown Courtyard (Marriott), 299 Second Street, San Francisco, California.

The conference is open for the public to attend, and registration is not required. For more information about the conference, please contact: Olga Kolotushkina at (202) 502-6024 or at olga.kolotushkina@ferc.gov.

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[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

February 13, 2004.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive an exempt or prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merit's of a contested on-the-record proceeding, to deliver a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications will be included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of prohibited and exempt communications recently received in the Office of the Secretary. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers. These filings are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the eLibrary (FERRIS) link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the