

Mkt not as efficient.

TRADERS' LIST OF MAJOR PROBLEMS WITH THE CALIFORNIA WHOLESALE MARKET

Non 1
w/ sub
categories

- Algorithm - how it works
1. Information - more PMT, Path 15, Congestion Mngmt. how it work
 2. How OOM works -
 - a. Want to know who sells MW, how much and price (Information again)
 - b. This is a problem because
 1. ISO pays more than the price cap and to our customers
 2. Price doesn't get reflected in the market price - which makes the market less efficient
 3. We don't get asked to provide it
 3. California checkouts on intra-hour changes - Other control areas won't do it (especially BPA). ISO wants us to negotiate with the other Control areas.
 4. Inc/Dec. problem we pointed out in our Amendment No. 29 filing - Less power is being sold into the ISO since this filing because customers don't want to take the risk that they'll bid in an inc. price and end up having to pay a dec price.
 5. Oppose draconian measures to "fix" the market
 - a. Oppose return to cost-based rates and
 - b. FERC approval of forward contracts
 - c. Opposed putting together PK & ISO
 6. ~~Algorithm not avail~~

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agrees
this is a
problem

Really is
a penalty
for liquidating
real time

Proposed
solutions
coming
out

Prefer
Incentives
rather
than
penalties

no w/ info. → opposite true - cite
No collusion w/ Mkt Monitoring Committee

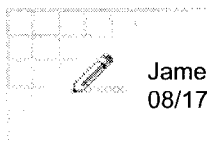
→ \$250 doesn't work
need \$1000 to incent gen.
& lets demand bid in

Push into Forward Mkt.
- Trans Exch.
- Anc. → Service
competitive

- Timing of making a filing →

G. Governance should be reformed → Tell Jim
will put in
RTO filing

→ Tariff language on top 5 →
* Give them detail ← How ←



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Subject: FERC INVESTIGATION IN CA - What should they be looking for?

As we begin to meet with FERC Staff on the Wholesale market issues related to CA problems, I think that we need to put together a list of questions that FERC needs to be asking Western power market participants.

The following are some questions that I think are important to have FERC ask; I'm sure there are more.

1. Were California utilities underscheduling load into the PX day ahead market?
2. How many MWs did the CA ISO procure during each hour during the Summer 2000? How does this compare with CA ISO procurement during 1999?
3. Has PG&E changed its bidding behavior associated with its Hydro facilities in 2000?
3. Are there baseload facilities that were operated differently in 2000 than in 1999?
4. Were any generation plants off-line due to unplanned maintenance during Summer 2000?
5. How did the CA ISO demand side program work? Why didn't more load participate?
6. What options did SDG&E have to "hedge" its retail rates? What were prices in the CAL PX block forward market on Jan 15, 2000 and May 15, 2000?
7. How high did natural gas prices go in California for generation during Summer 2000?
8. Were other Western power markets prices higher (year-on-year)?
9. Did the CA ISO Board face political pressure to reduce bid caps? Is this appropriate for a FERC jurisdictional entity?
10. What specific details is SDG&E referring to in its Complaint on "unworkably competitive" CA ISO markets? Can these be fixed "quickly"?

Please add other questions.

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