

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

California Independent System Operator Corporation

Docket No. ER16-1518-000

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF AGENDA AND DISCUSSION TOPICS
FOR STAFF TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

(October 17, 2016)

This notice establishes the agenda and topics for discussion at the technical conference to be held on October 28, 2016 to discuss the technical challenges California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) has described related to the implementation of economic bidding at Energy Imbalance Market (EIM) external interties.¹ The conference will be held on October 28, 2016, at the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426 from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). The conference will be led by Commission staff and Commissioners might attend.

The purpose of the technical conference is to provide Commission staff and interested parties an opportunity to discuss impediments to and solutions for implementing economic bidding at the EIM external interties. The topics to be discussed during this conference are attached.

This conference will be transcribed. Transcripts will be available for a fee from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700). Advance registration is not required but is encouraged. Attendees may register, indicating attendance in person or via listen-only telephone line, at the following webpage: <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/10-28-16-form.asp>. If you require a telephone line, please register no later than October 24, 2016 to be emailed the call-in information one day before the conference. Information on this event will be posted on the Calendar of Events on the Commission's web site, www.ferc.gov, prior to the event.

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¹ See *Cal. Indep. Sys. Operator Corp.*, 155 FERC ¶ 61,329, at P 38 (2016) (June 30 Order).

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Agenda for EIM Intertie Bidding Technical Conference
October 28, 2016

Opening Remarks

10:00 am – 10:15 am

Greeting and Opening Remarks

Discussion

Commission staff will be seeking information and facilitating roundtable discussions within time limitations. Staff has invited specific entities to provide introductory statements in Session 1 describing several of the broader viewpoints, to be followed by open discussion by all interested parties.

10:15 am – 12:00 pm

Session 1: Opening Position Statements and Discussion

This session will include opening statements by CAISO, Western Power Trading Forum, a representative for the EIM Entities, and Public Generating Pool (one hour), to be followed by open discussion to include positions of other interested parties (45 minutes). Issues to be discussed in this session will include:

- Explanation of the current practices of bidding and scheduling energy across both CAISO and EIM Entity interties; and
- How current practices would change if bidding were allowed at the EIM external interties.

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch break

1:00pm – 2:15 pm

Session 2: Challenges and Expectations Regarding Bidding at the EIM External Interties¹

Issues to be addressed in this discussion include, but are not limited to:

- Operational and technical challenges associated with implementing bidding at the EIM external interties;
- The feasibility and implications of bidding at the EIM external interties being implemented at different times by different EIM Entities;
- The quantity of energy expected to transact through bidding at the EIM external interties; and

¹ The term “bidding at the EIM external interties” as used here does not include participation of external resources in the EIM via dynamic scheduling and pseudo-tie arrangements.

- Expected benefits and costs of allowing bidding at the EIM external interties.

2:15 pm – 2:30 pm ***Break***

2:30 pm – 3:45 pm **Session 3: Potential Solutions and Design Principles for any Proposal Addressing Bidding at the EIM External Interties**

Issues to be addressed in this discussion include, but are not limited to:

- The status and/or schedule of efforts by CAISO and EIM Entities to resolve identified challenges of allowing bidding at the EIM external interties;
- Whether the inherent differences between bids associated with resource-specific external resources and bids associated with non-resource specific external resources will impact how those types of resources can participate in bidding at the EIM external interties;
- The design principles that should guide the development of bidding at the EIM external interties by resource-specific or non-resource specific external resources and any “must-have” features to enable such bidding;
- What aspects of the current approach for external resource participation in CAISO markets outside the EIM could apply to designing a structure for bidding at the EIM external interties; and
- Whether differences between CAISO’s full market and the EIM warrant differing treatment of bidding at the EIM external interties.

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm **Closing Remarks**