

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

San Diego Gas & Electric Company,  
Complainant,

v.

Docket No. EL00-95-045

Sellers of Energy and Ancillary Service Into  
Markets Operated by the California  
Independent System Operator Corporation  
and the California Power Exchange,  
Respondents.

Investigation of Practices of the California  
Independent System Operator and the  
California Power Exchange

Docket No. EL00-98-042

**ORDER OF CHIEF JUDGE DEFERRING SUBMISSION  
OF NARRATIVE STATEMENTS OF POSITION WITH  
STIPULATION OF ISSUES**

**(July 18, 2002)**

1. By motion filed today, the Competitive Supplier Group on its own behalf and with the support of all active participants request a brief deferral of the obligation under the current procedural schedule to submit narrative statements of positions with their preliminary Joint Stipulation of Issues, but not of the requirement to file their preliminary Joint Stipulation of Issues.
2. Movants aver that testimony was filed on July 3, 2002, by approximately 55 witnesses and that notwithstanding the variety of witnesses and issues, they expect to be able to submit the preliminary stipulation identifying the issues tomorrow--Friday July 19, 2002. They also state that task of providing the narrative statements of position to a central clearinghouse and then collating them into one document, is not likely to be completed within the time currently contemplated by the procedural schedule and that the difficulty of doing so is compounded by an additional round of answering testimony which is to be filed July 26, 2002 and which ultimately needs to be reflected in final narrative statements of positions respecting the issues.
3. For good cause shown, the Chief Judge in the absence of Judge Birchman hereby defers the date for submitting the narrative statements of positions of the parties until after Presiding Administrative Law Judge Birchman returns.

Curtis L. Wagner,  
Chief Administrative Law Judge