

RTO Commitment to Regional Reliability and Market Efficiency

The Cal ISO and the planned DSTAR RTO and RTO West will be responsible for oversight of nearly _% of the electric transmission in the Western U.S., Canada, and Northern Mexico, an area representing about __% of the electricity sold in North America. These three transmission organizations are committed to operating their respective organizations in a manner that supports a robust competitive region-wide electric market.

To promote a reliable and efficient electric market, the California, DSTAR and RTO West regional transmission organizations commit to a coordinated approach to maintaining reliability and enhancing market efficiency in Western North America electric markets.

This commitment to interregional coordination will include:

- Designating an officer level individual in each RTO organization to be responsible for interregional coordination activities.
- Establishing an open stakeholder process encompassing the three RTO regions to identify issues impacting regional market efficiency and to develop plans to address these issues.
- Coordinating the implementation of changes to market mechanisms within each RTO to enhance market efficiency and minimize disruptions to the Western North American marketplace.
- Coordinating planning and operating activities within each RTO in a manner that supports regional reliability and increased market efficiency throughout the region.
- Ensuring that market participants have full and timely access to public market information needed for their participation in the markets within each RTO.

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