## **Stakeholder Comments Template**

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Please use this template to provide your comments on the Energy Imbalance Market Revised Governance Proposal and Draft Charter posted on October 4. Submit comments to EIM@caiso.com. Comments are due October 25, 2013 by 5:00pm

Revised Governance Paper:

http://www.caiso.com/Documents/RevisedGovernanceProposal-WhitePaper-EnergyImbalanceMarket.pdf

**Draft Charter:** 

http://www.caiso.com/Documents/TransitionalCommitteeDraftCharter-EnergyImbalanceMarket.pdf

Please provide your comments following each of the topics listed below:

1. Do you support the sector definitions and the nomination and ranking process for the Transitional Committee? Please explain the basis for your views.

Comments: NRDC believes this process reasonably will capture the views and definitions of the key range of stakeholders with an interest in furthering the development of the EIM. The provision that the Board select eight of the nine members of the eventual transitional committee members from the stakeholder provided list makes the process much more meaningful for stakeholders participating in the process. The approach to securing and ranking nominations seems reasonable but more detail in the process of how stakeholder liaisons will be identified and engaged is needed. The sector definitions adequately reflect the range of interests central to expeditiously and properly developing the formal structure that will govern the EIM. NRDC especially appreciates the separation of public interest organizations from governmental entities.

We further support the proposal to expand the number if additional parties interested in joining the EIM come forward.

2. Do you support the roles identified for the Transitional Committee and the decision-making processes for the committee outlined in the revised governance proposal and draft charter? Please explain the basis for your views.

## Comments:

The roles established for the transitional committee provide wide latitude to members regarding EIM issues they choose to address. This flexibility will allow for a broad range of topics to be discussed. The decision-making process will also allow for a full range of views to be provided to the Board, including minority views which NRDC supports.

3. Do you have any comments on the draft charter? Please explain.

## Comments:

The Draft Charter is an accurate reflection of the parameters, roles and responsibilities set forth in the Revised Governance proposal. NRDC has no specific criticisms of the charter as currently presented.

4. Do you have any additional comments not covered above on the changes made in the revised governance proposal?

## Comments:

NRDC appreciates the changes proposed since the first iteration and looks forward to being an active participant in the process. We are excited about the prospects for an EIM in easing renewable energy integration across the West, and pleased with the leadership role the CAISO and its partner PacifiCorp has played in bringing it closer to a reality. A successful EIM will mean a faster, more flexible, cleaner grid helping save participants' customers money while accelerating California's efforts to meet the CO2 reduction goals established in state law.