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Northwest industry leader reappointed to EIM Governing Body

FOLSOM, Calif. – The Western Energy Imbalance (EIM) Governing Body today unanimously voted to reappoint Anita Decker to a second term on the EIM Governing Body.

Decker, who has 39 years of electric industry experience, was appointed to the EIM Governing Body to fill an unexpired term that will end in June. Her new term is effective July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023.

Decker was the executive director of the Northwest Public Power Association, served as the chief operating officer for Bonneville Power Administration and held positions in Oregon, Wyoming, and Utah for PacificCorp.

The EIM Governing Body oversees the Western EIM, the West's first real-time energy market that has collectively saved consumers over \$861 million and reduced greenhouse gas emission by more efficiently integrating clean energy into the regional grid.

Current Western EIM participants include the ISO and PacifiCorp, NV Energy, Arizona Public Service, Puget Sound Energy, Portland General Electric, Idaho Power, Powerex, and a portion of Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC), representing approximately 57 percent of the load in the West.

The Western EIM will expand next month with the participation of Salt River Project and Seattle City Light. The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, NorthWestern Energy, Turlock Irrigation District, Public Service Company of New Mexico, and BANC Phase 2 are expected to join in 2021; and Tucson Electric Power, Avista, Tacoma Power, and Bonneville Power Administration in 2022.

In December 2019, Xcel Energy, together with Black Hills Colorado Electric, Colorado Springs Utilities, and Platte River Power Authority, announced their intent to join the

Western EIM. The group is working with the ISO to finalize its implementation agreement and determine a date to join the market, with a target of 2021.

Visit the <u>Western EIM</u> website for more information on the market, quarterly benefits reports, and other information on its governance, upcoming meetings and initiatives.

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