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ACP-California Celebrates Successful Launch of Extended Day Ahead Market

Major step toward a Western electricity market to lower costs, make grid more reliable

Sacramento, CA — American Clean Power-California applauds the California Independent System Operator, PacifiCorp, and their market participants on the successful “go-live” of the Extended Day Ahead Market (EDAM) this morning.

The regional electricity market has been nearly seven years in the making, since market design discussions began in 2019. The market evolution builds on the success of the Western Energy Imbalance Market (WEIM), which now spans across 22 balancing authorities in 12 Western states and has yielded over [\\$8 billion in savings since 2014](#).

EDAM’s launch comes six months after the passage of California [Assembly Bill 825](#), landmark legislation that will enable independent governance of both EDAM and WEIM to support their regional expansion. Other balancing authorities that have committed to join EDAM include Portland General Electric, Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (LADWP), Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC), Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM), Turlock Irrigation District, and Imperial Irrigation District.

Expanding the market will create a bigger pool of diverse energy resources to dispatch across state lines. Market operators will have more options to utilize the lowest cost power for customers and provide flexibility for regions strained by rising demand, wildfires, and extreme weather.

“This launch is a major milestone on the path toward a more affordable and reliable grid across the West,” said **Alex Jackson, Executive Director of ACP-California**. “A regional market harnesses our abundant resource diversity to meet rising demand at the lowest cost for Californians.”

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