

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

In re:	)	Chapter 11
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EDISON MISSION ENERGY, <u>et al.</u> , <sup>1</sup>	)	Case No. 12- <u>49219</u> , <u>et al.</u>
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Debtors.	)	
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**INTERIM ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO CONTINUE PERFORMANCE OF OBLIGATIONS UNDER INTERCOMPANY ARRANGEMENTS**

Upon the motion (the "Motion") of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an interim order (this "Order") (a) authorizing, but not directing, the Debtors to continue performance of obligations under the Intercompany Arrangements in the ordinary course of business and (b) granting such other relief as is just and proper, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and the Court having found that the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and the Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and the Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and the Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and the Court having found that the Debtors provided

<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: Edison Mission Energy (1807); Camino Energy Company (2601); Chestnut Ridge Energy Company (6590); Edison Mission Energy Fuel Services, LLC (4630); Edison Mission Fuel Resources, Inc. (3014); Edison Mission Fuel Transportation, Inc. (3012); Edison Mission Holdings Co. (6940); Edison Mission Midwest Holdings Co. (6553); Midwest Finance Corp. (9350); Midwest Generation EME, LLC (1760); Midwest Generation, LLC (8558); Midwest Generation Procurement Services, LLC (2634); Midwest Peaker Holdings, Inc. (5282); Mission Energy Westside, Inc. (0657); San Joaquin Energy Company (1346); Southern Sierra Energy Company (6754); and Western Sierra Energy Company (1447). The location of parent Debtor Edison Mission Energy's corporate headquarters and the Debtors' service address is: 3 MacArthur Place, Suite 100, Santa Ana, California 92707.

appropriate notice of the Motion and the opportunity for a hearing on the Motion under the circumstances; and the Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before the Court (the "Hearing"); and the Court having found that the terms of the Intercompany Arrangements are fair and reasonable; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before the Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is granted on an interim basis set forth herein. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

2. The final hearing (the "Final Hearing") on the Motion shall be held on Jan. 16, 2013, at 11:00 a. m. (Central Time). Any objections or responses to entry of a final order shall be filed and served on or before Jan. 9, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. (Central Time).

3. The Debtors are authorized but not directed to continue performance under any and all of the Intercompany Arrangements in the ordinary course of business and on the terms set forth in the Motion and this Order. The Debtors receive and provide services under the Intercompany Arrangements at arm's length. The Debtors are further authorized to use estate property and to expend estate funds as they deem necessary and appropriate in the ordinary course of business to perform under the Intercompany Arrangements on the terms set forth in the Motion and this Order.

4. EIX's obligation to provide corporate support services terminates on December 31, 2013 unless the Master Restructuring Agreement is approved by a final non-appealable order of the Court within 210 days of the Petition Date.

5. In accordance with this Order and any other order of this Court, each of the financial institutions at which the Debtors maintain their accounts relating to the payment of the obligations described in the Motion is directed to receive, process, honor, and pay any and all checks, drafts, wire transfers, and automated clearing house transfers issued, whether before or after the Petition Date, for payment of obligations described in the Motion to the extent that sufficient funds are on deposit in such amounts.

6. The Debtors are authorized to issue postpetition checks, or to effect postpetition wire transfer requests, in replacement of any checks or wire transfer requests in respect of payments of prepetition obligations described in the Motion that are dishonored or rejected.

7. Amounts owed by the Debtors under the Intercompany Arrangements for services rendered postpetition are actual, necessary expenses to preserve and enhance the value of the Debtors' estates that shall constitute allowed administrative expenses under sections 503(b)(1) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code and may be paid by the Debtors without the need for further application, motion, or Court order.

8. All postpetition payments from a Debtor to another Debtor are hereby accorded superpriority administrative expense status and shall have priority over any administrative claims that arise under section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code in accordance with the Court's order approving continued use of the Debtors' cash management system.

9. The requirements set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 6003(b) are satisfied by the contents of the Motion.

10. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

11. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

12. Notwithstanding the relief granted in this Order and any actions taken pursuant to such relief, and subject to the superpriority administrative status afforded pursuant to paragraph 8 of this Order, nothing in this Order shall be deemed: (a) an admission as to the validity of any claim against a Debtor entity; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any claim; (d) an implication or admission that any particular claim is of a type specified or defined in this Order or the Motion; (e) a request or authorization to assume any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; or (f) a waiver of the Debtors' rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law. Subject to any applicable defenses of the EIX Entities, the Debtors expressly reserve their right to contest any invoice or claim related to the relief requested herein in accordance with applicable non-bankruptcy law.

13. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the Motion.

14. The Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the interpretation or implementation of this Order.

Dated: December 18, 2012  
Chicago, Illinois

J. P. Cox Jacqueline P. Cox  
United States Bankruptcy Judge