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**Re: Sonoran Energy Project (02-AFC-01C)
AltaGas Sonoran Energy Inc.'s Status Report #14**

Dear Commissioners and Hearing Officer Lee:

Pursuant to the September 22, 2016 Memorandum (TN# 213756) docketed in this proceeding, Project Owner AltaGas Sonoran Energy Inc. ("Project Owner" or "AltaGas Sonoran") herein submits this Status Report related to the pending Petition to Amend ("Petition") the Sonoran Energy Project (formerly Blythe Energy Project Phase II) ("SEP").

Recently, in January 2017, Project Owner paid the annual fees to renew SEP's air permits, which have been issued by the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District.

Additionally, Project Owner has been working diligently with the Western Area Power Administration ("WAPA") related to SEP's interconnection, and WAPA is preparing an updated Facilities Study. In Status Report #13 (TN# 215120), Project Owner indicated that it expected to submit the Affected Systems Study necessary for Staff to complete the transmission analysis in approximately three months. This timeframe was based on anticipated receipt of WAPA's Facilities Study in January 2017. WAPA, however, recently informed Project Owner that the Facilities Study will not be available until approximately mid-March 2017. The California Independent System Operator ("CAISO") Affected Systems Study will follow WAPA's Facilities Study and, therefore, the Affected Systems Study has been further delayed.

As has been noted in previous Status Reports, although the above-identified interconnection reports remain delayed, Project Owner does not believe there is a compelling reason to bifurcate the proceeding at this time. Project Owner would like to keep the proceedings together (not bifurcated) and supports the issuance of a new schedule shortly after publication of FSA Part B.

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Project Owner will provide additional updates regarding the CAISO Affected Systems Study as more information becomes available.

Respectfully submitted,



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