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Subject: **STATUS REPORT #18 - SONORAN ENERGY PROJECT (02-AFC-1C)
AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE PROJECT DESIGN**

Staff has prepared this Status Report No. 18 pursuant to the September 22, 2016 Memo from Hearing Officer Renaud asking the parties to submit status reports by the first business day of each month until further notice to address progress on the Sonoran Energy Project's (SEP) Final Staff Assessment (FSA) Part B and provide updates on the SEP Amendment proceeding since Status Report No. 17 was filed on March 30, 2017.

Staff has no new information to provide the Committee since filing Status Report No. 17. As noted in their Status Report No. 17, the project owner evaluated the Study received in mid-March. The project owner received the revised final version of the Study from Western Area Power Administration on April 7, 2017 and there remain some outstanding important issues that the owner hopes to resolve within the next 4-6 weeks. The project owner will then engage the California Independent System Operator to commence the Affected Systems Study. As previously reported, upon commencement of the Affected Systems Study, it will take approximately 120 days to complete.

Staff continues to await the Affected System Impact Study in order to complete the Transmission System Engineering analysis for FSA Part B.