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The Honorable Karen Douglas, Associate Commissioner
Hearing Officer Raoul Renaud
California Energy Commission
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Re: Sonoran Energy Project (02-AFC-01C)
AltaGas Sonoran Energy Inc.'s Status Report #9

Dear Commissioners and Hearing Officer Renaud:

Pursuant to this Committee's August 5, 2016 Committee Scheduling Order (TN# 212638), Project Owner AltaGas Sonoran Energy Inc. ("Project Owner" or "AltaGas Sonoran") herein submits its ninth Status Report related to the pending Petition to Amend ("Petition") the Sonoran Energy Project (formerly Blythe Energy Project Phase II) ("SEP").

Project Owner received Staff's Final Staff Assessment, Part A, on August 1, 2016. As indicated in Project Owner's Request for Schedule Modification filed on August 3, 2016 (TN# 212602), additional information is needed before Staff can complete FSA Part B (Transmission System Engineering). Since filing the August 3 Request, Project Owner has learned that the Affected Systems Study will not be released for approximately 150 days.

Although there is additional delay associated with the delivery of the Affected Systems Study, 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 once the Affected Systems Study is received or after publication of FSA Part B.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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