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Subject: STATUS REPORT #15 - SONORAN ENERGY PROJECT (02-AFC-1C)
AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE PROJECT DESIGN

Staff has prepared this Status Report No. 15 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. 14 was filed on January 3, 2017.

Staff has no new information to provide the Committee since filing Status Report No. 14. As noted by the project owner in their Status Report No. 14, the Affected Systems Study has been further delayed and will be issued sometime after the Western Area Power Administration provides the Facilities Study in mid-March 2017.

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