BPA Staff Response to Northern California Utilities Comments on Non-Rate Alternatives to the Southern Intertie Hourly Firm and Non-Firm Rate

On September 7, 2018, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Transmission Agency of Northern California, and Turlock Irrigation District (collectively, the Northern California Utilities or NCUs) submitted <u>comments</u> on non-rate alternatives to the Southern Intertie Hourly Firm and Non-Firm rate increase adopted in the BP-18 rate proceeding. Specifically, they requested BPA provide any analysis on non-rate alternatives that has been conducted since the BP-18 Record of Decision.

BPA Staff Response: Bonneville has outlined its approach to non-rate alternatives to address Southern Intertie seams issues in the July 6, 2016 customer workshop:

"If Staff's HNF proposal or a similar proposal is adopted in the BP-18 rate case, BPA will wait on further non-rates action until one year's worth of Southern Intertie sales and scheduling data under the new rate is available for analysis (~FY19)."

Bonneville has been collecting sales and scheduling data on the Southern Intertie since the new hourly Southern Intertie rate went into effect.

