

**EXHIBIT 18**

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*Subject: Desert Rock Energy Project BO - Cons. #22420-2004-F-0356*

*All:*

*I received a call from one of the consultants working on the Biological Assessment for the Desert Rock Energy Project. They have received the letter we wrote on July 2 requesting additional information for the consultation. During the conversation the consultant informed me that Sithe Global LLC did not want to request the additional information we requested regarding the effect of climate change, specifically: a) addressing in their analysis the results of modeling of future water availability; and b) the effects of any changes in hydrology and water resources of the San Juan River basin on Colorado pikeminnow, razorback sucker, bald eagle, and Southwest willow flycatcher.*

*The consultant informed me that Thomas A. Johns, Senior Vice President Development, Sithe Global LLC stated that Sithe Global had taken the issue back to "Washington, D.C." and that we would soon be instructed by "Washington" not to address or pursue the climate change questions.*

*I thought you should be aware of this conversation.*

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