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New Secondary Laws Overhaul Mexico's Energy Sector

On March 18, 2025, the Mexican government enacted a set of New Secondary Laws that significantly reshape the country's energy framework. These laws introduce structural changes aimed at redefining the roles of key players in the industry and centralizing regulatory oversight.

Key impacts of the New Secondary Laws include:

- The repeal and replacement of previous laws governing the hydrocarbons and electricity sectors¹.
- The transformation of **Federal Electricity Commission** ("CFE") and **Petróleos Mexicanos** ("Pemex") into State-Owned Companies.
- The elimination of independent regulators, with the Energy Regulatory Commission (CRE) and the National Hydrocarbons Commission (CNH) being dissolved and their functions transferred to the Ministry of Energy ("SENER") through the newly created National Energy Commission ("CNE").

This New Secondary Laws mark a major shift in Mexico's energy sector, consolidating control under SENER and redefining regulatory and operational responsibilities.

To further review the content of the New Secondary Laws, please visit the following Links to obtain an executive summary of the New Secondary Laws.

New Secondary Laws for the Electricty Sector (Part One)

New Secondary Laws for the Electricty Sector (Part Two)

New Secondary Laws for the Hydrocarbon Sector

¹ The New Secondary Laws repealed: (i) the Federal Electricity Commission Law (Ley de la Comisión Federal de Electricidad); (ii) the Petroleos Mexicanos Law (Ley de Petróleos Mexicanos); (iii) the Electric Industry Law (Ley de la Transición Energética); (iv) the Hydrocarbon Law (Ley de Hidrocarburos); (v) the Energy Transition Law; (vi) the Bioenergy Development and Promotion Law (Ley de Promoción y Desarrollo de los Bioenergéticos); (vii) the Geothermal Energy Law (Ley de Energía Geotérmica); and (viii) the Coordinated Energy Regulatory Bodies Law (Ley de los Órganos Reguladores Coordinados en Materia Energética).

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