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Questions / Requests

Q17_OEB. Please provide an update on the status of the EDAC project, including a description of the remaining steps with expected completion dates and costs for the individual steps.

Response:

Status Update:

- As we reported at last year's proceeding, our Board approved the EDAC project in September 2008, and approved our EDAC Market Design in February 2009. In addition, capital funds were release to carry out the Detailed Design phase at that time.
- We are currently finalizing the Detailed Design and associated vendor change requests for existing systems, including a treatment for combined cycle units.
- This activity will be largely completed in early February, which will facilitate the
 detailed estimation process we are undertaking to facilitate our next Release of
 Funds in April.
- Our project control points are well established and consistent with the description provided in 2009. In general, the methodology is to establish an overall project envelope with high-level estimates, and then in accordance with rolling wave planning, release funds for each stage of the project as detailed estimates are developed. This allows us to manage project costs and address uncertainty well.

Remaining Steps:

Stage	Description	timeframe	Capital Cost from Bus Plan
IT Design and Build	Design, build and test systems, processes, procedures. Includes FAT, SIT, SAT, BPIT,	November 2009 to January 2011	\$17 M
UAT / Market Trials	IESO and Market Participant Testing	January 2011 to August 2011	\$4.3M
Transition to Service	Clean up, period of quiet operation leading up to In Service date	August 2011 to September 2011	\$1.0M
Project Closure	Project Assessment after In Service	September 2011 to March 2012	_