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From: Cooper, Richard D  
Sent: Monday, November 07, 2005 10:24 AM  
To: Scott, Jeffrey T  
Subject: FW: TS controls upgrade project

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From: Birk, Mark C  
Sent: Monday, November 07, 2005 10:11 AM  
To: Cooper, Richard D; Witt, Warren A  
Subject: RE: TS controls upgrade project

Rick, Warren

I have talked with Bob Powers about this and he will make sure that we have continuity and the same level of support - he told me he would check with Bob Ferguson and James Witges and resolve the issue.

Thanks,  
Mark

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From: Cooper, Richard D  
Sent: Friday, November 04, 2005 11:23 AM  
To: Birk, Mark C; Witt, Warren A  
Subject: TS controls upgrade project

Mark and Warren,

I attended a meeting yesterday on the controls upgrade project for our plant that is scheduled for the spring of 2006, one unit at a time, back to back outages. Bob Ferguson and Jim Witges were in attendance. It sounds like we are going to lose our project engineer, Tom Pierie, who has been, or is going to be, reassigned to the Environmental Group for scrubber installation at Sioux and other activities associated with the new clean air rules. According to Bob they have lost the battle with Bob Powers about letting Tom Pierie complete our controls upgrade.

Currently Tom is still working on our project as much as he can but he doesn't think it will be for much longer. To me, if we want our project to have as much success as possible and the expectation of being back on the bus as projected with no problems we need Tom to stay on our project until completed. Tom has been working on our project for over two years. He has background on the design and failures and successes of the past. We have a good working relationship. It doesn't make sense to pull him off this project at this time.

Bob Ferguson says if Tom gets forced to drop the project soon Bob will have to hire a new engineer and send him down here in the next month or two to stay here until the project is completed. During that time the engineer will have to learn how the plant works, learn the new controls that have already been installed and the old ones that are