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#### 4 Q: Did KCP&L retain the Owner Engineer in a timely fashion?

Yes. There is a difference between the formal process of negotiating and executing a contract on a project scope of work and the award and initiation of that scope of work by the engineer or contractor. On a mega-project a formal contract agreement will take much longer to negotiate and execute, and take a short period of time than it will take to initiate project work. Simply because the contract is not finalized does not mean that no work is done to advance that scope of work. It is routine for the two parties to initiate work under a detailed LNTP or a GSA that is necessary in order to advance work while the difficult process of negotiating a contract is pursued.

A contract document is a method by which risk is allocated among the two parties, and no experienced contractor or engineer would rush to execute a contract that it had not at a detailed level examined for every risk allocated to it, if for no other reason than to be sure that the contract price and schedule reflect that risk allocation. As of early 2006 there were still elements of the Iatan Unit 2 PDR that had not been fully settled, including the delivery method and contracting approach to be utilized for the BOP scope of work. That ultimate decision had a direct bearing on the scope of work to be contained within the B&McD contract, and thus the risk which would be allocated to and assumed by B&McD.

What was defined was primarily the procurement scope of engineering work and responsibility for that scope was retained by KCP&L. Therefore there was a scope of

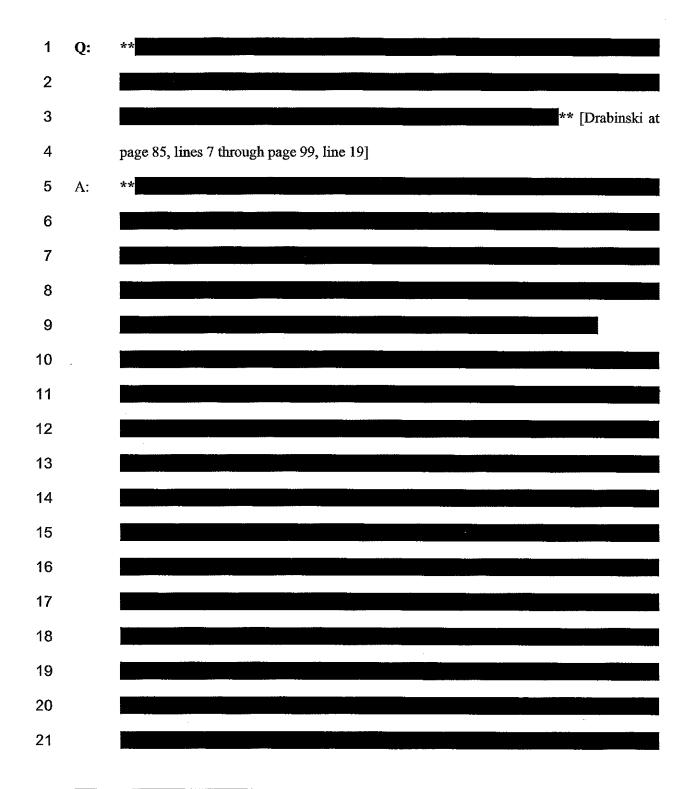
engineering work available immediately for B&McD in support of that procurement effort and that scope of work could be adequately covered under the GSA already in place between KCP&L and B&McD. Continuing work under the GSA enabled KCP&L to initiate full activity on procurement of longer lead, engineered equipment supported by B&McD's, engineering forces, all while completing the project definition and risk allocation structure as the Iatan Unit 2 specific engineering agreement was negotiated and executed.

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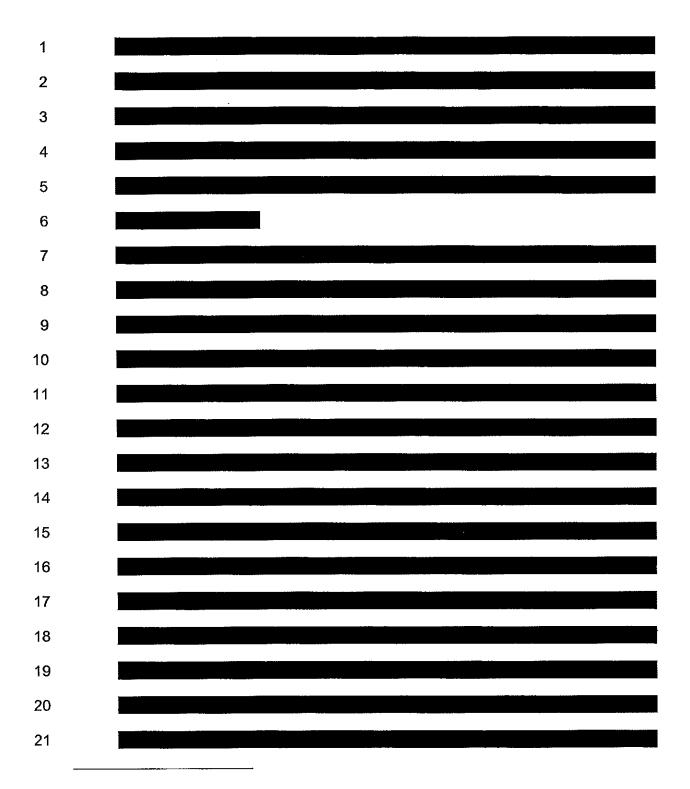
Pegasus-Global found that KCP&L's actions to continue to "retain" B&McD's engineering services under the GSA enabled KCP&L to move forward with critical procurement of long lead equipment both reasonable and prudent for a mega-project. Given that there was no delay in the initiation or delivery of B&McD's engineering services, there was merely a period when those services were controlled under the GSA until the project specific engineering agreement could be finalized and executed.

# Q: What did Pegasus-Global conclude with respect to KCP&L's management of Burns & McDonnell?

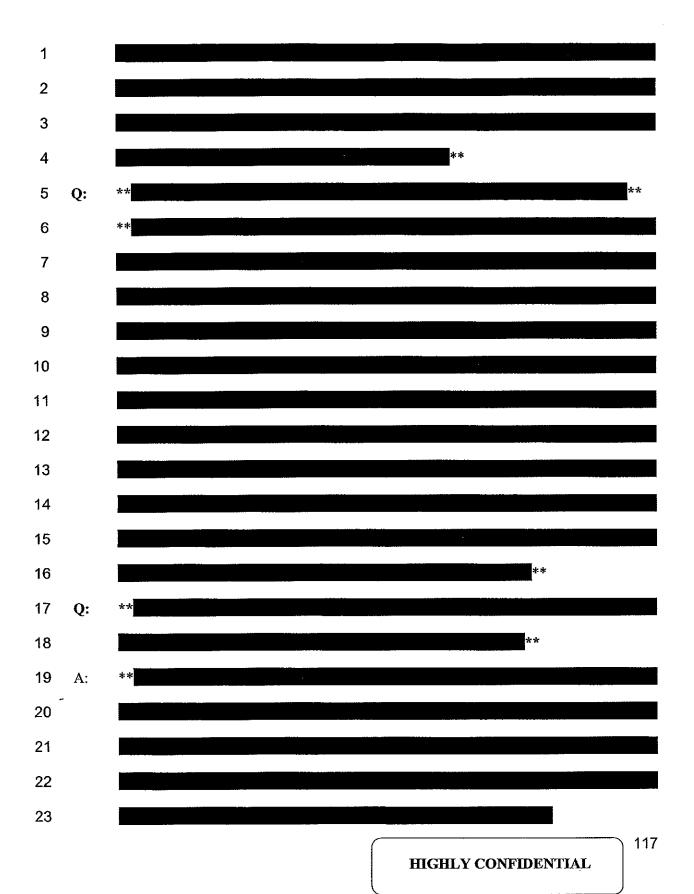
On any project, and especially on a mega-project, no contractor is in isolation. As presented earlier in this testimony, mega-projects introduce a significant amount of stress among and between engineers, contractors, and suppliers, all of which the owner or its agent must manage. Pegasus-Global found that KCP&L was able to resolve all of those issues and stresses in a timely and efficient manner. Did B&McD perform flawlessly? No. But perfection is not the standard for prudent decisions or their execution. KCP&L management had to resolve the issues and stresses which arise throughout the entire execution of a mega-project.

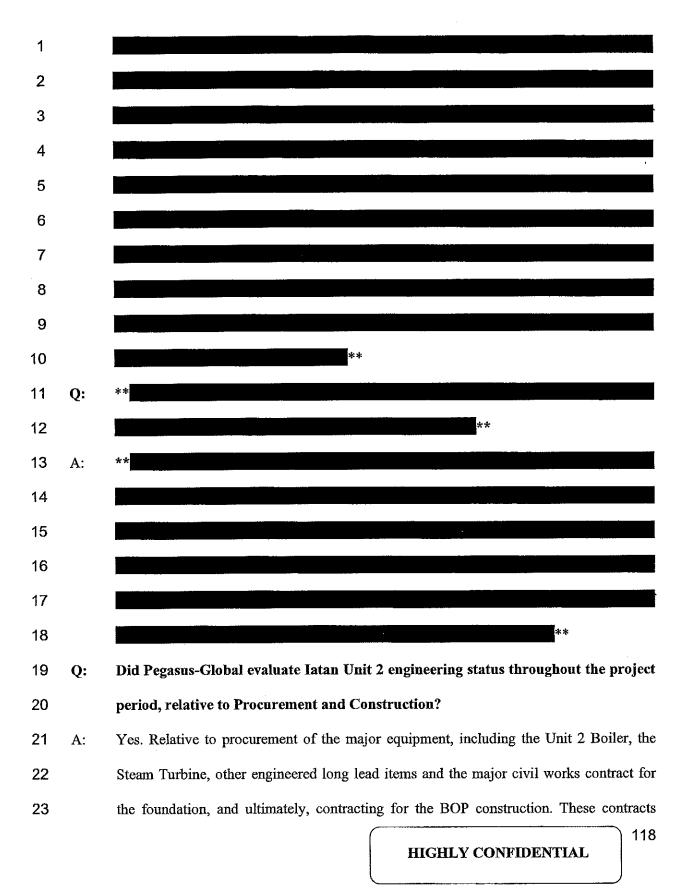


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were dependent on the engineering being adequately progressed to support the project. Pegasus-Global discussed KCP&L's contracting approach elsewhere in this testimony. Pegasus-Global concludes engineering progressed adequately to support all of these key project activities. As Steve Jones, KCP&L's Procurement Manager testified, by the end of 2006 B&McD had provided technical specifications and bid evaluations for the completion of 24 contracts with a combined value of almost \$1billion and that did not have any delay impact on the Iatan Project [Direct Testimony of Steve Jones, Kansas Corporate Commission, Docket No. 10-KCPE-415-RTS, page 17, lines 1 – 11, December 17, 2009].

#### How does the status of the Engineering impact on specific Contracts?

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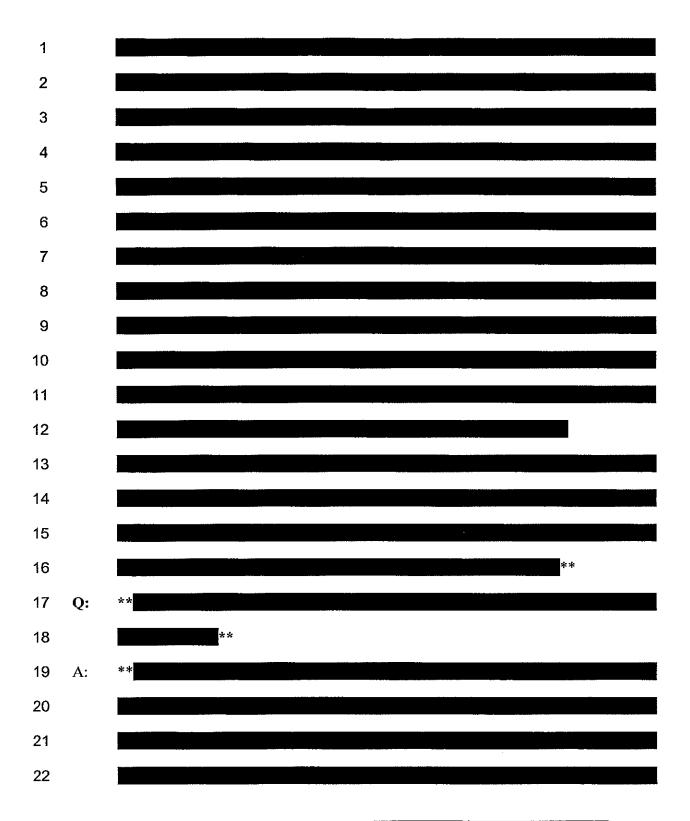
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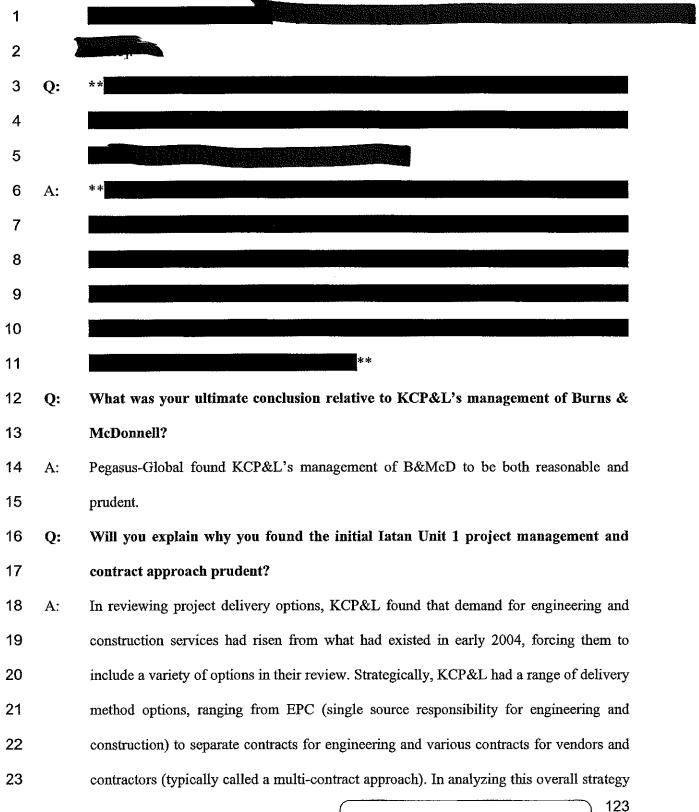
As noted earlier in this testimony, all mega-projects including the Iatan Project are executed on a fast-track sequence basis, the purpose of which is to reduce the overall time of project execution. This sequencing approach requires that both procurement and construction will start and progress before engineering is complete. As an example, as noted earlier, KCP&L authorized preparation of the Unit 2 boiler and turbine generator specifications in late 2005, recognizing that this major equipment must be committed before the plant layout can be finalized and foundation design can be started.

The Boiler contract for the Iatan Unit 2 project was awarded to Alstom on the basis of a performance specification to enable that scope of work to be executed under an EPC delivery method and fixed price contract, where Alstom had full responsibility for engineering, procurement and construction of the equipment purchased.

When a contract is awarded on an EPC basis very little detailed engineering is required from the Owner Engineer though performance specifications will need to be well

| 1  |    | developed. The Turbine Generator scope of work was awarded as an "engineer and           |
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| 2  |    | fabricate" delivery method and with a lump sum Purchase Order contract approach,         |
| 3  |    | where Toshiba was responsible for the engineering and fabrication of the Turbine         |
| 4  |    | Generator. Again, though minimum detailed engineering is required, well developed        |
| 5  |    | performance specifications are required to bid this work and award a contract. Little    |
| 6  |    | detailed engineering design can be started prior to having details of the equipment from |
| 7  |    | these two primary project component equipment suppliers. As also noted earlier in this   |
| 8  |    | testimony KCP&L retained B&V to prepare these two technical performance                  |
| 9  |    | specifications.  |
| 10 |    | However, construction only contracts, such as the foundation contract with Kissick,      |
| 11 |    | require that the detailed engineering and design be complete and the KCP&L procured      |
| 12 |    | equipment and materials be available prior to the start of that work. This does not mean |
| 13 |    | the designs are complete for the entire contract scope of work prior to award of the     |
| 14 |    | foundation contract, only that those foundation designs are completed and delivered to   |
| 15 |    | the foundation contractor as needed to support the planned completion of each            |
| 16 |    | foundation.  |
| 17 |    | Based on Pegasus-Global's review of the Owner Engineer performance and the nature of     |
| 18 |    | the contracts awarded, the construction of the Iatan Project was not impeded by          |
| 19 |    | B&McD's engineering.   |
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| 1  |    | KCP&L management determined that the recently approved CEP program (by the               |
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| 2  |    | Kansas and Missouri Commissions in mid 2005) would require enhanced project              |
| 3  |    | management personnel and staff, as previously discussed earlier in my testimony.         |
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| 0  |    | ** These results indicate that these companies were                                      |
| 1  |    | making decisions based on their own particular circumstances, including their evaluation |
| 2  |    | of competitive options, and that there is no single "prudent" choice for project         |
| 3  |    | construction during this time period. (B&McD survey of coal plants 090207)               |
| 4  |    | Pegasus-Global found that KCP&L not only solicited expert advice but also took this      |
| 5  |    | advice into account in evaluating project delivery options. KCP&L concluded that project |
| 6  |    | completion could be accomplished within the approved CEP program schedule by             |
| 7  |    | engaging in a combination of EPC and multi contract delivery methods for the Iatan Unit  |
| 8  |    | 1 project.   |
| 9  | Q: | What project delivery methodology and contract approach was selected for the             |
| 20 |    | Iatan Unit 2 project?  |
| 21 | A: | Ultimately, KCP&L used a mixture of delivery methodologies and contract approaches       |
| 2  |    | for the execution of the latan Unit 2 project:   |

KCP&L selected an EPC delivery methodology to execute the primary piece of
engineered equipment – the boiler. That delivery methodology is typically used
when the scope of work is based on operational specifications utilizing a fixed
price contracting approach and involves both manufacture and
erection/installation of that equipment on site.

- KCP&L selected a straight equipment procurement delivery methodology to
  execute another crucial piece of engineered equipment the turbine generator. As
  a manufactured piece of equipment the use of a fixed price contract approach
  based on operational specifications for engineering and manufacture is typical.
- KCP&L contracted for engineering services under a time and materials
  contracting approach which is typical within the industry when the project
  involves design of a new facility predicated on several "operational
  specifications" supplied by the owner and the primary engineered equipment
  suppliers.
- KCP&L originally selected a multi-prime delivery method for the BOP scope of
  work, with KCP&L acting as its own Construction Manager. KCP&L later
  modified its multi-prime delivery method by engaging Kiewit as a General
  Contractor responsible to complete the BOP construction.

Pegasus-Global found that KCP&L followed a methodical process during the selection of each of its project delivery methodologies and contracting approaches, which resulted in decisions which were reasonable and prudent given the information available at the time those decisions were made.

# What was the basis for your examination of KCP&L's choice of project delivery methodology and contract approach?

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A key consideration in selection of delivery method and contract approach is to align the delivery methodology and contracting approach with the risk profile of the project to be executed. One of the crucial decisions for an owner is to select a project delivery method and contract approach which enables it to allocate project risks appropriately while maximizing the ability to meet the project goals and objectives. The goal is not for the owner to attempt to shed all risk to a contractor; first of all it is simply not possible, even under an EPC delivery methodology and a Fixed Price, Date Certain, Turn Key contract approach for an owner to shed all project risk. Second, the more risk an owner sheds, the higher the contracting cost, as no contractor will knowingly accept a risk without assuring that the compensation to be received is as high or higher than the cumulative impact of those risks should they manifest on the project. A primary tenet of successful risk allocation is that a risk element should be allocated to the project party that is best able to manage and control the specific risk element in question. No owner, including a utility, should blindly select a delivery method simply because others appear to be using it. To preliminarily judge whether KCP&L followed a management process that generally reflected the best industry practice to capture and appropriately allocate risk for the Iatan Unit 2 project, Pegasus-Global employed a table which Pegasus-Global has used for over ten years as a reference guide. The table is based on an approach presented by two senior Bechtel Corporation officers at an American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) conference in 1997, 41 and employs various general project criteria which generally describe risk allocation conditions between project parties. Using the table enables an owner to identify the project delivery methodologies and contract approach which provide the best "fit" to the project risk profile for that project. An example of how the table is employed to match various criteria with delivery methods and contracting approaches has been provided below in Table 1 - Project Execution Conditions and Risk Allocation Re: Iatan Unit 2 Alstom Contract and Table 2 – Project Execution Conditions and Risk Allocation Re: Iatan 2 Kiewit Contract in 2007. Tables 1 and 2 provide an indication of which project delivery methods and contract approaches match the risk profile established for the project for the Boiler Island and BOP scopes of work.<sup>42</sup> Pegasus-Global uses the table to perform a general check as to whether the owner's processes met the general expectation at the time based upon what the owner knew or should have known. Can you explain your review and findings concerning the Alstom delivery method and contract approach selected by KCP&L? Yes. An examination of the Iatan Project records showed KCP&L first completed its examinations of the future need for power and had developed a consolidated plan for addressing that future need, one element of which was to construct a second coal fired

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unit at the Iatan power station. Next Pegasus-Global found that KCP&L had engaged

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> "Choosing the Right Delivery System," By Charles M. Spink, P.E., F.ASCE, Construction Congress V, Managing Engineered Construction in Expanding Global Markets, Proceedings of the Congress, 1997, American Society of Civil Engineers

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Over the years, as risk management practices and programs have evolved, Pegasus-Global has adjusted the original table in order to reflect the latest industry thinking as to the best methods for allocation and management of specific risk elements.

consultants such as Schiff Hardin, B&V and B&McD to provide it with the information and data it needed to understand the current state of the power project industry. KCP&L management received advice relative to the general progress steps through which a power project proceeds, including identification of critical equipment decisions, timing of those decisions, and the interdependence of actions and decisions. Pegasus-Global then found that KCP&L used the information gained from its advisors to develop its project risk profile and prioritize the order of its actions and decisions for managing those risk elements. Specific to the boiler island project delivery and contract approach decisions Pegasus-Global examined the project conditions for the period during which KCP&L made its delivery method and contract approach selections. The boiler island is the project element which drives the majority of project detailed design, cost and schedule; as the design, manufacture of the boiler components and construction of the boiler island collectively take the longest time to perform. In addition the boiler island has the greatest influence on the completion of detailed design and construction for the BOP; simply, without the complete boiler design the detailed design of the BOP cannot be finalized, issued or bid. In the latter half of 2005 and early into 2006, KCP&L was preparing to bid the boiler island, the first step in the long process which would ultimately result in the completion of the Iatan Unit 2 project. At that time the industry as a whole was in the midst of a

construction boom which was quickly locking up what is known within the industry as

the "manufacturing queue" for major engineered equipment such as boilers and turbine

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generators.<sup>43</sup> Pegasus-Global found that KCP&L was cognizant of the need to secure a boiler contractor as early as possible in the project life cycle and acted quickly to have a performance specification prepared which could be expeditiously bid and awarded.

Because of the highly specialized nature of the equipment involved, utility owners do not take the risk of actually engineering or designing the boiler equipment, those risks are allocated to the manufacturer awarded the boiler equipment scope of work. To allocate the risk to the manufacturer, utility owners procure boiler island equipment using a performance specification; that is, the owner (through its engineer) develops the performance requirements for the boiler (such as pressure, temperature, flow rates, cooling and recapture characteristics, etc), but leaves all of the detailed engineering and design of the equipment and appurtenances (the boiler island), and therefore allocates the risk attached to that work, to the manufacturer.

The boiler components must be assembled and installed within the boundaries of the Boiler Island, a task which is again very specialized and complex, involving a significant level of project risk. Therefore, the utility owner will generally contract with the manufacturer to do the installation as part of its direct scope of work or contract with the manufacturer to directly oversee and manage a specialist contractor engaged to execute that scope of work.

Among the risk elements attached to the boiler island are the following:

Defective design of the boiler island equipment;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> KCP&L Strategic Infrastructure Investments—Quarterly Status Update Third Quarter 2006 and KCC Docket No. 04-KCPE-1025-GIE, page 9; Synapse Energy Economics, Inc., July 2008, David Schissel, Allison Smith and Rachel Wilson

Defective installation/construction of the boiler island equipment;

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- Cost overruns (design, procurement, manufacturing and/or installation);
  - Schedule delays (design, procurement, manufacturing and/or installation);
    - Failure of the completed boiler island to meet the performance specification set by the owner; and
    - Failure to properly test and commission the boiler island.

Once the project conditions and risk profile had been established, Pegasus-Global examined the primary risks attached to the boiler island against the possible delivery methods and contract approaches using **Table 1** as discussed earlier above, with the following results:

### TABLE 1 PROJECT EXECUTION CONDITIONS AND RISK ALLOCATION RE: IATAN UNIT 2 ALSTOM CONTRACT

#### Choosing the Preferred <u>Project Delivery Methodology</u>, <u>Contracting Approach</u> and <u>Resultant Risk Allocation Expectations</u><sup>44</sup>

|  | Project Delivery<br>Methodology |                        |   | KCP&L<br>Choice      |                        |   |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------|------------------------|---|
|  | Design<br>Bid<br>Build          | d EPC Price Unit Price |   | Cost<br>Reimbursable | Re:<br>Iatan<br>Unit 2 |   |
| Owner Considerations and Requirements  |                                 |                        |   |                      |                        |   |
| Cost Control is Major<br>Consideration |                                 | <b>✓</b>               | ✓ | 1                    |                        | * |
| Owner to Control<br>Contingency        |                                 | <b>*</b>               |   | 1                    | ✓                      |   |
| Bid Competition<br>Required            | ✓                               | <b>✓</b>               | ✓ | <b>✓</b>             |                        | * |
| Maximum Owner<br>Involvement           |                                 | ✓                      |   |                      | ✓                      | * |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> Modified by the author from "Choosing the Right Delivery System," by Charles M. Spink, P.E., F.ASCE, Construction Congress V, Managing Engineered Construction in Expanding Global Markets, Proceedings of the Congress, 1997, American Society of Civil Engineers, pages 663 – 671

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|   | Project Delivery<br>Methodology |          |                | KCP&L<br>Choice |                      |                        |
|---|---------------------------------|----------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------|
|   | Design<br>Bid<br>Build          | ЕРС      | Fixed<br>Price | Unit Price      | Cost<br>Reimbursable | Re:<br>Iatan<br>Unit 2 |
| Minimum Owner<br>Involvement                      | <b>√</b>                        |          | ✓              |                 |                      |                        |
| Owner Has No Oversight Capabilities               | <b>√</b>                        |          | ✓              |                 |                      |                        |
| Single Source<br>Responsibility                   |                                 | ✓        | ✓              | <b>✓</b>        | ✓                    | *                      |
| Contractor In Part<br>Provides Project<br>Funding |                                 | <b>*</b> | ✓              |                 |                      | N/A                    |
| Project Scope and Param                           | ieters                          |          |                | - Market Market |                      |                        |
| Clear Scope Definition                            | <b>✓</b>                        | 1        | <b>*</b>       | 1               |                      | *                      |
| Minimal Scope<br>Definition                       | ✓                               |          |                | <b>✓</b>        | Ý                    |                        |
| Scope/Complexity Defined, Quantities Uncertain    | ✓                               | <b>✓</b> | <b>√</b>       | ✓               | ·                    | *                      |
| Minimal Scope<br>Changes Expected                 | ✓                               | <b>✓</b> | ✓              |                 |                      | *                      |
| Potential for Large<br>Scope Changes              |                                 | <b>✓</b> |                | 1               | ✓                    |                        |
| Tight Schedule                                    |                                 | ✓        | √              | 1               | ✓                    | *                      |
| Volatile Project<br>Environment                   |                                 | 1        |                | <b>✓</b>        | ✓                    | *                      |
| Stable Project<br>Environment                     | <b>V</b>                        |          | ✓              |                 |                      |                        |
| Large Complex<br>Project                          | <b>~</b>                        | <b>✓</b> | ✓              | ✓               | ✓                    | *                      |
| Primarily New<br>Technology                       |                                 | <b>*</b> |                | ✓               | ✓                    |                        |

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As noted by the "tick marks" in **Table 1** above, both the Owner Considerations and Project Scope and Parameters significantly favor the use of an EPC delivery method (14 out of 18 total risk elements). Under the Contracting Approach both the Fixed Price and

Unit Price contract approaches appeared as the preferred contract approaches (12 out of 14 total risk elements). Using **Table 1**, Pegasus-Global confirmed that KCP&L's selection process accounted for those risk elements most crucial to the choice of delivery method and contract approach for the boiler island scope of work. KCP&L selected an EPC delivery methodology and a Fixed Price contract approach as shown in the last column of **Table 1**.

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Pegasus-Global concluded that KCP&L's process for selection of delivery method and contracting approach for the boiler island scope of work was reasonable and prudent based on what was known, or reasonably could have been known by KCP&L relative to industry and project conditions as of late 2005 and early 2006 and the risk profile for the boiler island scope of work.

Q: Can you explain Pegasus-Global's review and findings concerning the Kiewit delivery method and contract approach selected by KCP&L?

Pegasus-Global followed exactly the same process in examining KCP&L's selection of delivery method and contract approach for the Kiewit contract that was used to examine the Alstom contract. The risk elements specific to this scope of work focused around execution of the BOP construction, as the risk for detailed design of the BOP had already been allocated to B&McD. The Iatan Project record shows that initial attempts to allocate this risk via either an EPC or GC delivery method, and a fixed price contracting approach, met with no interest within the contracting community when first tested by KCP&L in early 2006. As a result, KCP&L had no way in which to allocate that risk at that time and was taking actions which would enable it to manage and control those risk elements under a Multi-Prime methodology throughout 2006 and into 2007.

As often happens in mega-projects extending over several years, industry conditions change relatively quickly and in late 2006 and early 2007 Kiewit, who previously had declined to bid on the BOP scope of work under an EPC/GC methodology or fixed price contract approach, contacted KCP&L with an offer to assume the responsibility for the BOP scope of work as a GC, although it was unwilling to accept a fixed price contracting methodology. The decision to change delivery methodology for the BOP scope of work needed to be evaluated against the impact that change would have on the project's risk profile and, in particular, the reallocation of those risks from KCP&L to Kiewit.

The document record showed that KCP&L and its advisors carefully examined the impact to the Iatan Project's risk profile of changing the delivery method and ultimately determined that although the core elements would not change, the allocation of those risk elements could be improved; the project risk profile could be altered substantially by shifting certain of those risk elements to Kiewit, a party that at that time was better able to manage and control those risk elements which existed within the BOP scope of work.

Pegasus-Global again used the delivery method and contract approach table to examine

KCP&L's decision making process relative to the selection of delivery method and

contract approach, as shown in Table 2 below:

## TABLE 2 PROJECT EXECUTION CONDITIONS AND RISK ALLOCATION RE: IATAN UNIT 2 KIEWIT CONTRACT IN 2007

### Choosing the Preferred <u>Project Delivery Methodology</u>, <u>Contracting Approach</u> and <u>Resultant Risk Allocation Expectations</u>

|                         | Project D<br>Method    |          |                | KCP&L<br>Choice:                      |                      |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
|                         | Design<br>Bid<br>Build | EPC      | Fixed<br>Price | Unit Price                            | Cost<br>Reimbursable | Re:<br>Iatan<br>Unit 2 |
| Owner Considerations a  | nd Requirement         | S        |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Cost Control is Major   |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Consideration           |                        | <b>✓</b> | ✓ .            | <b>V</b>                              |                      | *                      |
| Owner to Control        |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Contingency             |                        | <b>1</b> |                | /                                     | <u> </u>             | *                      |
| Bid Competition         |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Required                | ✓                      | ✓        | ✓              | <b>1</b>                              |                      |                        |
| Maximum Owner           |                        |          | :              | 1                                     |                      |                        |
| Involvement             |                        | <b>✓</b> |                |                                       | ✓                    | *                      |
| Minimum Owner           |                        |          | _              |                                       |                      |                        |
| Involvement             | ✓                      |          | <b>/</b>       |                                       |                      |                        |
| Owner Has No            |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Oversight Capabilities  | <u> </u>               |          | ✓              |                                       |                      |                        |
| Single Source           |                        |          |                | 1 . 1                                 |                      |                        |
| Responsibility          |                        | <b>/</b> | ✓              | <b>/</b>                              | <b>✓</b>             | *                      |
| Contractor In Part      |                        | _        | _              |                                       |                      |                        |
| Provides Project        |                        | ✓        | ✓              |                                       |                      | N/A                    |
| Funding                 |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Project Scope and Paran | neters                 |          |                | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                      |                        |
| Clear Scope Definition  | <b>✓</b>               | ✓        | <b>✓</b>       | <b>✓</b>                              |                      | *                      |
| Minimal Scope           |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Definition              | <b>1</b>               |          |                | <b>✓</b>                              | ✓                    |                        |
| Scope/Complexity        |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Defined, Quantities     | ✓                      | ✓        | <b>1</b>       |                                       |                      | *                      |
| Uncertain               |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Minimal Scope           |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Changes Expected        | <b></b>                | <b>✓</b> | ✓              |                                       |                      | 1                      |
| Potential for Large     |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Scope Changes           |                        | <b>✓</b> |                | ✓                                     | <b>✓</b>             |                        |
| Tight Schedule          |                        | ✓        | ✓              | <b>V</b>                              | <b>√</b>             | *                      |
| Volatile Project        |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
| Environment             |                        | <b>✓</b> |                | ✓                                     | <b>√</b>             | *                      |
| Stable Project          |                        |          |                |                                       | -                    |                        |
| Environment             | ✓                      | <u> </u> | ✓              |                                       |                      |                        |
| Large Complex           |                        |          |                | "                                     |                      |                        |
| Project                 | ✓                      | ✓        | ✓              | <b>✓</b>                              | ✓                    | *                      |
| Primarily New           |                        |          |                |                                       |                      |                        |
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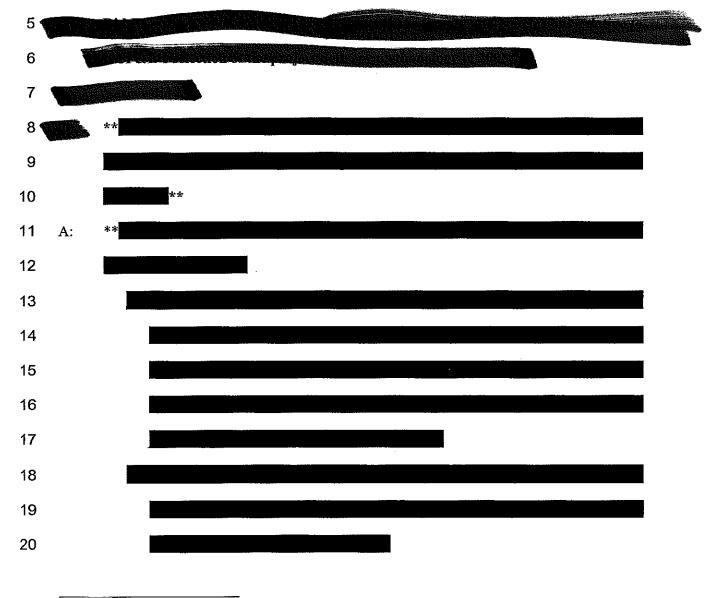
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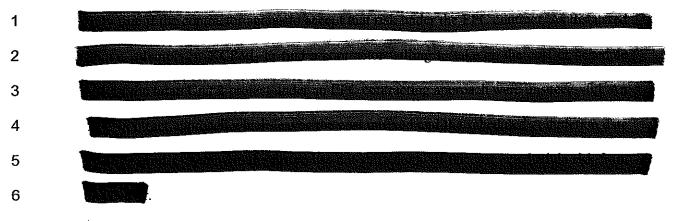
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As noted by the "tick marks" in Table 2 above, both the Owner Considerations and Project Scope and Parameters significantly favor the use of an EPC delivery method (14 out of 18 total risk elements). Under the Contracting Approach both the Fixed Price and Unit Price contract approaches appeared as the preferred contract approaches (12 out of 14 total risk elements). Using Table 2, Pegasus-Global confirmed that KCP&L's selection process accounted for those risk elements most crucial to the choice of delivery method and contract approach for the BOP scope of work. KCP&L decided to revise its project execution plan for the BOP scope of work using an EPC type delivery methodology and a Unit Price contract approach as shown in the last column of Table 2. As engineering and procurement were too far advanced to be fully re-allocated to Kiewit for the BOP scope of work, KCP&L ultimately selected a EPC delivery methodology under which Kiewit would assume full responsibility for the actual construction of the BOP scope of work, while providing input into engineering (i.e. construability reviews) and taking responsibility (and risk) of certain material and specialist subcontract procurement. Because Kiewit was not involved in the initial BOP planning, engineering and procurement activities it was understandably unwilling to accept a Fixed Price contract approach; therefore KCP&L and Kiewit negotiated a Unit Price contract. That compromise contract approach was reasonable both from the perspective of the Table 2 results shown above and in consideration of the status of the Iatan Project at the point in time when the decision was made to modify the delivery method for the BOP scope of work. Pegasus-Global concluded that KCP&L's process for selection of its initial

delivery method for the BOP scope of work and its revisions to that delivery method and contracting approach for the BOP scope of work were reasonable and prudent based on what was known or reasonably could have been known by KCP&L relative to industry and project conditions as of 2006 and 2007.





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- Did your examination lead to any disagreements with the Missouri Staff's analysis and testimony relative to KCP&L's selection of the project delivery methodology for the Iatan Unit 2 project?
- Yes. The Missouri Staff report [pages 21-22] indicates that KCP&L's decision to choose a multi-prime contracting approach led to Iatan Project cost overruns and document control issues as the result of KCP&L's failure to employ a strong, capable and experienced Project Management or Construction Manager. However, it is my opinion that the Staff's finding is flawed for a number of reasons including:
  - The Staff has not demonstrated any independent analysis as required under the GAAS standards, which it purported to have used, and instead simply relies on testimony by Kansas Commission Staff consultant testimony of Mr. Drabinski (deemed by the Kansas Commission November 22, 2010 Order to be unreliable and gave no weight to it), and "sound bites" taken from KCP&L internal audits.
  - The Staff inappropriately used KCP&L internal audits to criticize KCP&L's
    multi-prime contracting approach decision ignoring the fact that the process of
    conducting on-going internal audits during a complex construction project is
    considered part of the prudent management decision-making process.

As Pegasus-Global has described earlier in this testimony, KCP&L did staff an
organization commensurate with the phase of the Iatan Project and the contracting
approaches taken. KCP&L, using input from its advisors and the internal audits
continued to improve its staffing and organization per the very same
recommendations quoted by the Staff demonstrating reasonable and prudent
management actions.

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What in summary are Pegasus-Global's findings relative to KCP&L's selection of the project delivery methodology during the period from 2005 through 2006?

Pegasus-Global found that KCP&L solicited expert advice and took this advice into account in evaluating project delivery options. Further, with the assistance of those experts and its own information sources, KCP&L continued to explore all of its project delivery options up until the point in time when a final decision had to be made in mid-2006. Ultimately KCP&L concluded that its project risks could be managed and its project goals and objectives could be achieved within the approved CEP program schedule by engaging in a combination of EPC and multi-prime delivery methods for the Iatan Unit 2 project. KCP&L's decision is consistent with Pegasus-Global's experience on mega-projects in all industry sectors for over four decades.

KCP&L's further recognized that such a strategy shifted the focus of some of the management elements of the project risk profile, the most significant of which required KCP&L to enhance and expand its internal project management staff and organization to assume the management responsibilities for the BOP scope of work under the multiprime BOP delivery methodology. KCP&L delivery methodology decisions, and the decision making processes KCP&L followed, exhibited good management and fell within

| a zone | of reasonableness. | Pegasus-Global | concludes | these | decisions | and | the | decision |
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Pegasus-Global described the initial decisions regarding KCP&L. Did KCP&L evolve and alter this Delivery Methodology and Contract Approach during the Iatan Unit 2 project execution?

Yes. As Pegasus-Global noted earlier, with every decision made, action taken and unforeseen event which occurs a project's risk profile changes, and with every change in a project's risk profile management must make decisions and take actions to adjust a project's course to meet and overcome those changes. Mega-projects such as the Iatan Unit 2 project are confronted with an even greater range of issues which require adjustments to the project execution plans. Again, prudence is judged by the decisions and actions taken by management within the context of what was known or should have been known to management at a specific point in time. As the project environment evolves, management decisions and actions must evolve to meet those changing conditions. In evaluating prudence Pegasus-Global examines how management reacted to changes in the project environment as the project moves through its life cycle.

The speed with which the Iatan Unit 2 project was evolving increased throughout 2006 and 2007, as a myriad of decisions were made and actions were taken to solidify the project execution plan and to varying degrees each decision by KCP&L altered the project environment within which management was operating. The most critical decisions within the project environment involved early engineering to establish the operating specifications for the primary engineered equipment, soliciting proposals for that equipment and awarding that equipment. As described earlier, during 2006 the

turbine generator and boiler island engineered equipment were specified, solicited and awarded. Those actions set the operational and to a large extent the physical parameters of the plant. Those decisions also began to shape the project execution environment for all subsequent work on the project. For example, the boiler island was awarded to Alstom on an EPC delivery and fixed price, date certain contract basis,<sup>57</sup> an action which produced certain elements of the project environment which now had to be factored into all subsequent decisions and actions by KCP&L management. For example, KCP&L's management structure, staffing and execution plans had to adjust to that element of the project's environment in order to insure that the decisions made and actions taken going forward with the project aligned with that change in the environment. Because KCP&L found no contractor interest in bidding the full project or even the BOP scope of work on an EPC basis, with a date certain completion or a fixed price, a reasonable option moving through 2006 was for KCP&L to execute the BOP under a multi-prime delivery structure for that scope of work acting as its own construction and project manager. One consequence of that choice was that the risk elements which accompany that scope of work would remain with KCP&L, with minimal risk allocation possible among the various prime contractors possible.

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However, in December 2006, Kiewit approached KCP&L with an offer to assume responsibility for the BOP scope of work. According to Kiewit, one of its projects had been terminated, which freed an experienced management team and construction force

KCP&L Strategic Infrastructure Investment Status Report First Quarter 2006, pages 27 & 28, April 28, 2006
 KCP&L Strategic Infrastructure Investment Status Report Second Quarter 2006, page 7, July 31, 2006, and KCP&L Strategic Infrastructure Investments – Quarterly Status Update, Third Quarter 2006, KCC Docket No. 04-KCPE-1025-GIE, page 34

| for reassignment to another project. As noted earlier in this testimony, Kiewit had been |
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| approached by KCP&L in the spring of 2006 to determine any interest in the BOP scope     |
| of work but Kiewit had declined due in part to the fact that its forces were fully       |
| committed at that time. When this condition changed it was not at all unreasonable for   |
| Kiewit to contact KCP&L in an attempt to secure that work for its now unassigned         |
| management and construction forces. <sup>58</sup>  |

What did Pegasus-Global find regarding KCP&L's examination of alternatives to

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Its Multi-Prime delivery method to the BOP contracting methodology in early 2007? The unsolicited proposal from Kiewit gave KCP&L an opportunity to reexamine its initial plans from a perspective which did not exist when the original decision was made to execute the BOP using multiple-prime contractors. The unsolicited proposal also offered KCP&L an opportunity to significantly change the project risk profile going forward, which meant that as any reasonable project manager (and owner) would do, KCP&L had to evaluate that opportunity. Among the factors which KCP&L took into account during that evaluation included the following:

- Kiewit was a large, well known contractor with an immediately available and experienced organization that had demonstrated its capability to manage and execute the complex BOP scope of work on a power project for many years.
- In late 2006 the Iatan Unit 2 project was poised to enter the construction phase of the project. Detailed engineering was being released for bid/construction, initial

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> Status Report on Comprehensive Energy Plan Projects, Schiff Hardin, page 3, January 10, 2007

| 1  | construction civil work had been bid and awarded and the procurement of the          |
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| 2  | multi-prime contracts was scoped and was being prepared for solicitation.            |
| 3  | • At this stage KCP&L had expanded its internal staff at the project management      |
| 4  | level; had drafted the primary contract administration policies, procedures, and     |
| 5  | processes; had identified and in some cases installed management and control         |
| 6  | systems; and, adopted a project control line item budget for the Iatan Unit 2        |
| 7  | project, <sup>59</sup>   |
| 8  | • KCP&L was in the process of recruiting and hiring its construction "line and       |
| 9  | support" staff; was preparing to solicit and procure the prime specialty             |
| 10 | contractors; was installing (activating) the project-specific management and         |
| 11 | control systems; and, had initiated Contract Administrative actions.                 |
| 12 | • KCP&L had utilized staff from both B&McD and Schiff Hardin to assist it in         |
| 13 | those tasks it had undertaken relative to cost estimating, procurement, permitting   |
| 14 | and very early construction (demolition and early site preparation), relying on      |
| 15 | existing project-control processes.  |
| 16 | Kiewit's unsolicited proposal provided an opportunity to re-examine the BOP delivery |
| 17 | methodology before KCP&L had to fully and finally commit to the multi-prime delivery |
| 18 | methodology towards which it had been working. **                                    |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> KCP&L Strategic Infrastructure Investment Status Report, Fourth Quarter 2006, pages 6 – 10 and Section 6, February 15, 2007

During its evaluation, KCP&L recognized that acceptance of the Kiewit proposal would, in effect, amount to a "sole source" award of a significant amount of the Iatan Unit 2 scope of work. KCP&L examined the various ramifications of that fact and found among other things that the process of holding a competitive bid for other possible General Contractors would have had a significant impact on the project execution schedule and likely would have taken between four and six months. Such a delay would affect the construction schedule and the procurement and engineering schedules. Ultimately the situation involved a judgment decision weighting the gains possible by allocating those risk elements arising from the execution of the BOP scope of work against the potential schedule delay impacts which would result from any attempt to solicit other bids. As the construction market conditions had not changed significantly, it was entirely possible that even had the BOP scope of work been bid, Kiewit may have been the only responsive bidder.

Working through its evaluation process KCP&L settled on only two practical choices:

- Reject the Kiewit proposal and continue with the original multi-prime execution methodology;
- Accept the Kiewit proposal and transition from the multi-prime methodology to a GC methodology.

<sup>60</sup> Schiff Hardin Report, January 10, 2007, page 17