

**OPPDP Board of Directors
All Committees Meeting
Tuesday, January 14, 2019**

9:00 A.M. – Closed Session		10:00 A.M. – Public Session			
1. Chair Opening Statement				9:00	A.M.
2. Closed Session				9:00	A.M.
Finance					
a. Report on Litigation	Reporting (Closed)	Bruckner		30	min
 BREAK					
3. Public Session – Safety Briefing				10:00	A.M.
4. Finance				10:05	A.M.
Finance Chair Report	Reporting	Gay		5	min
Pledged Securities	Reporting	Fernandez		10	min
5. System Management & Nuclear Oversight				10:20	A.M.
SM&NO Chair Report	Reporting	Yoder		5	min
SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report	Action	McCormick		30	min
Spring 2020 Fiber Optic Ground Wire Installations	Action	Via		10	min
Engineer’s Certification – Nebraska City Station Unit 2 Distributed Control System Evergreen Upgrade Contract	Action	Fisher		20	min
Engineer’s Certification – Nebraska City Station Unit 2 Steam Turbine Generator Controls Migration Contract	Action	Fisher		20	min
Nuclear Oversight Committee Report	Reporting	Fisher		10	min
 BREAK FOR LUNCH					
6. Public Information				12:00	P.M.
Public Information Pre-Committee (1/7/20)	Reporting	Moody		30	min
Legislative Update	Reporting	Olson		30	min
7. Governance				1:15	P.M.
Governance Chair Report	Reporting	Cavanaugh		5	min
Election of Board Officers	Action	McGuire		5	min
8. Other Business				1:30	P.M.
a. Power with Purpose: Procurement of Integrated Photovoltaic Solar and Natural Gas Fueled Generation Update	Reporting	Fisher		30	min
b. Confirmation of Board Meeting Agenda	Action	McGuire		5	min



Reporting Item

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 14, 2020

ITEM

Pledged Securities

PURPOSE

Report that the District's deposit balances held at financial institutions are sufficiently guaranteed.

FACTS

- a. Nebraska statutes require that District balances held at financial institutions in excess of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") limits are sufficiently guaranteed with pledged securities.
- b. Exhibit A identifies financial institutions which have District funds on deposit and separately lists those financial institutions with balances above and below the FDIC limits.
- c. The District and its financial institutions monitor balances on a daily basis to ensure that sufficient levels of pledged securities are in place.

RECOMMENDED:

L. Javier Fernandez

APPROVED FOR REPORTING TO THE BOARD:

Timothy J. Burke

LJF:drs

Attachments: Exhibit A

EXHIBIT A

OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WITH DEPOSIT BALANCES ABOVE
FDIC COVERAGE LIMITS OF \$250,000 ***

AS OF JANUARY 1, 2020

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

US Bank, N.A.

*** These financial institutions have agreed with the District to deposit, pledge, or grant a security interest in a single pool of securities to secure the repayment of all District funds on deposit in excess of FDIC coverage limits.**

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WITH DEPOSIT BALANCES BELOW
FDIC COVERAGE LIMITS OF \$250,000**

AS OF JANUARY 1, 2020

American National Bank - Nebraska City

First Nebraska Bank - Valley

Access Bank

First Westroads Bank

Commercial State Bank – Cedar Bluffs

Pinnacle Bank - Louisville

Eagle State Bank

Platte Valley Bank - North Bend

Farmers & Merchants Bank – Weeping Water

Premier Bank

Farmers & Merchants Bank of Ashland

Springfield State Bank

Mainstreet Bank

Two Rivers Bank - Arlington

First Bank of Nebraska - Syracuse

Washington County Bank – Blair

First National Bank of Omaha



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board Action

January 14, 2020

ITEM

SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report

PURPOSE

To ensure full board review, discussion and acceptance of SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report

FACTS

- a. The first set of Board policies were approved by the Board on July 16, 2015. A second set of Board policies were approved by the Board on October 15, 2015.
- b. Each policy was evaluated and assigned to the appropriate Board Committee for oversight of the monitoring process.
- c. The System Management & Nuclear Oversight Committee is responsible for evaluating Board Policy SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report.
- d. The System Management & Nuclear Oversight Committee has reviewed the SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report and is recommending that OPPD be found to be sufficiently in compliance with the policy as stated.

ACTION

The System Management & Nuclear Oversight Committee recommends Board approval of the 2019 SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report.

RECOMMENDED:

Kevin S. McCormick

APPROVED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:

Timothy J. Burke

KSM:cal

Attachments: Exhibit A – Monitoring Report
Resolution



Exhibit A

Monitoring Report SD-6: Safety System Management & Nuclear Oversight Committee January 14, 2020

Kevin McCormick

Senior Director Safety & Technical Training

SD-6: Safety

- Through continuous improvement and monitoring, OPPD shall be recognized as a leader in employee safety and ensure the safety of the public in relation to OPPD operations. The Board establishes a long-term goal to continue to improve safety results that:
 - Reduce OPPD's DART rate to $< .50$, as measured by the industry's performance metric DART.
 - Reduce OPPD's PVIR rate to < 4.00 , as measured by the industry's performance metric PVR.

SD-6: Safety

Terms and Definitions

- Days Away Restricted or Transferred (DART): The rate is calculated by multiplying the number of DART cases times 200,000 divided by the hours worked.
- Preventable Vehicle Incident Rate (PVIR): The rate is calculated by multiplying the number of PVIR cases times 1,000,000 divided by the miles driven.

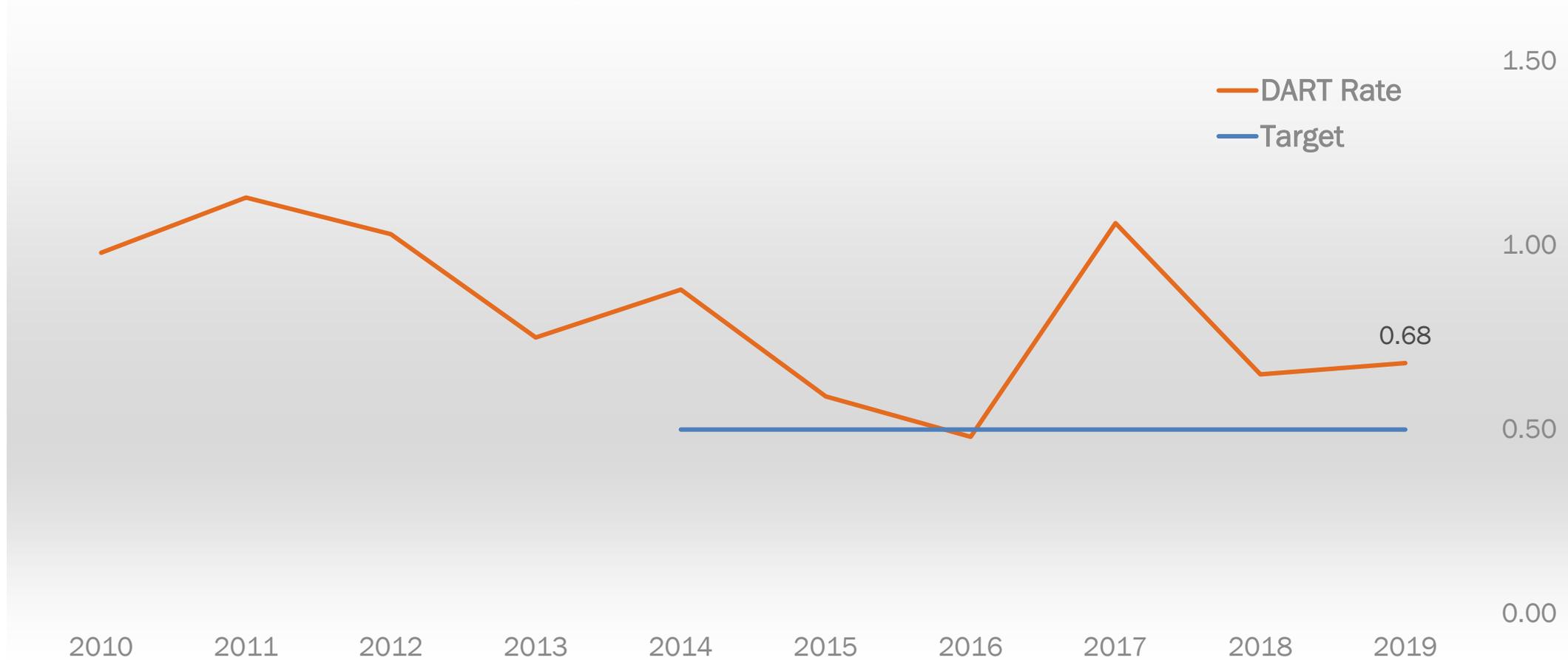
Through continuous improvement and monitoring, OPPD shall be recognized as a leader in employee safety and ensure the safety of the public in relation to OPPD operations.

Awards

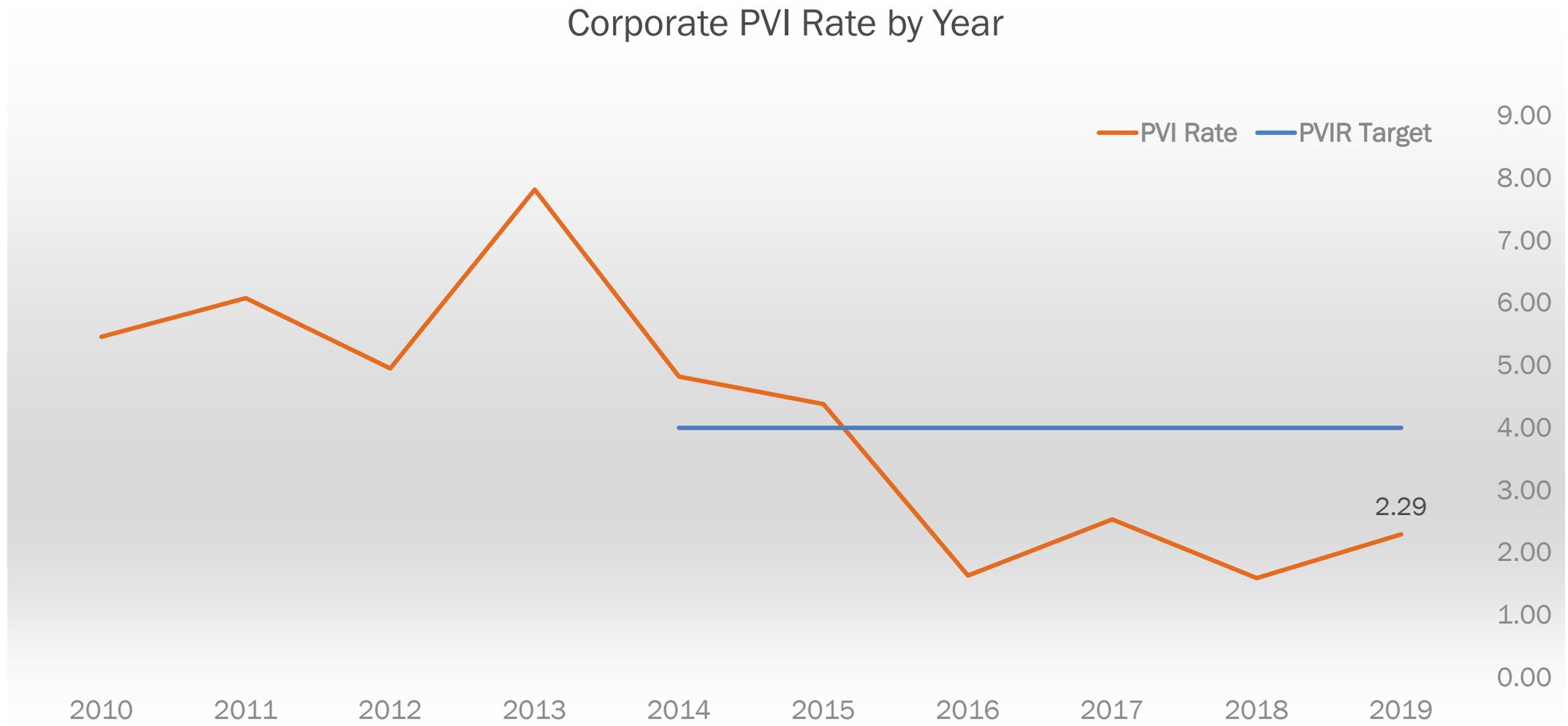
- APPA 2018 Electric Utility Safety Award of Excellence Second Place
- National Safety Council – Nebraska Safest Companies

Reduce OPPD's DART rate to $< .50$, as measured by the industry's performance metric DART.

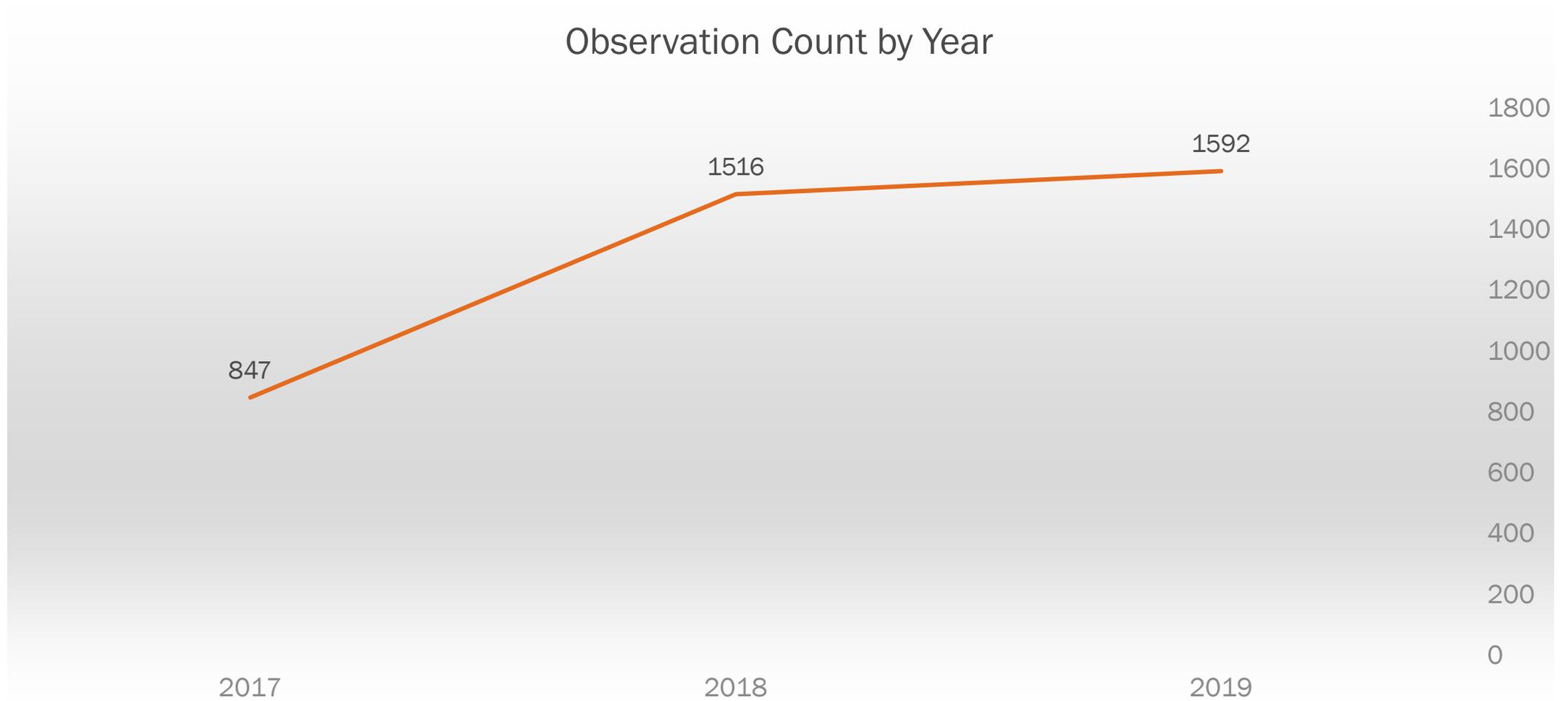
Corporate DART Rate by Year



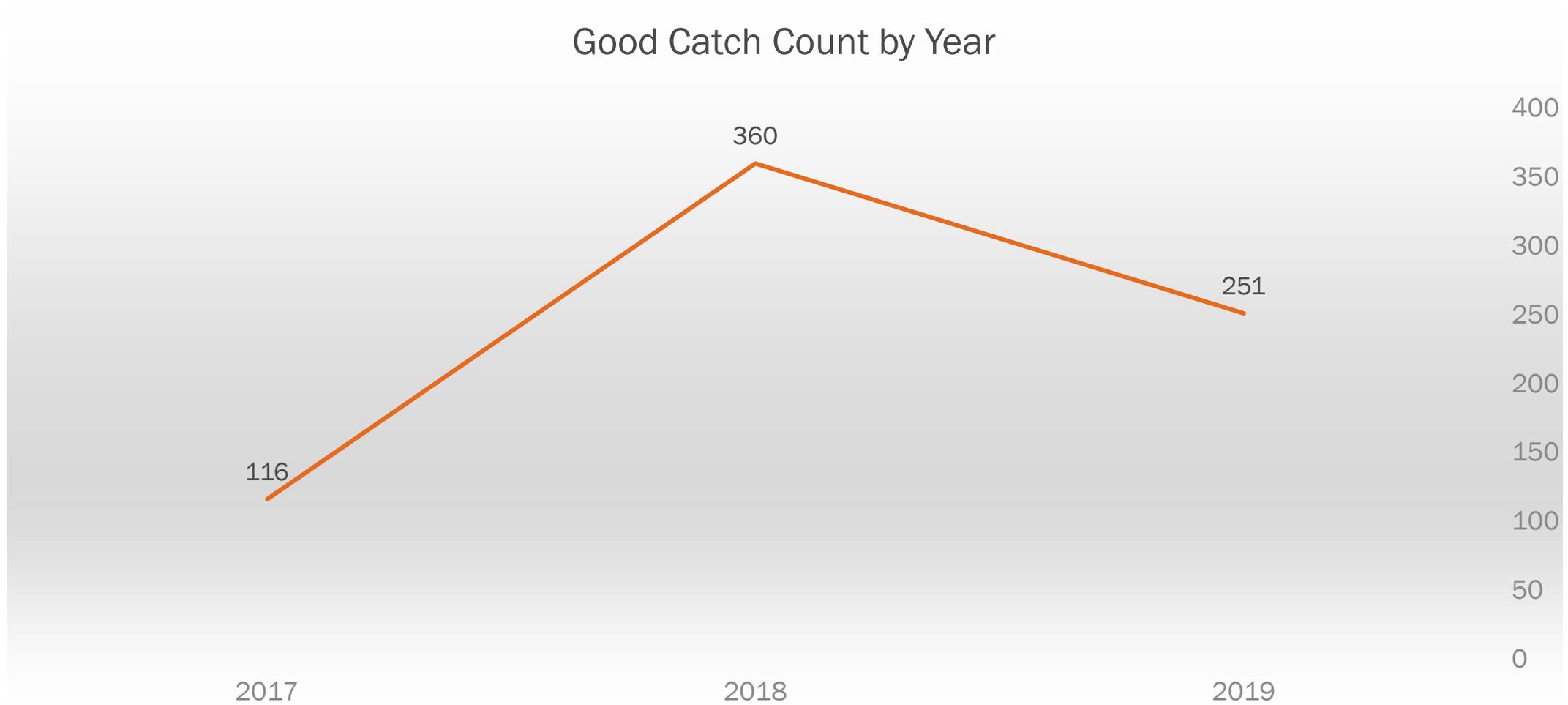
Reduce OPPD's PVIR to < 4.00, as measured by the industry's performance metric PVIR.



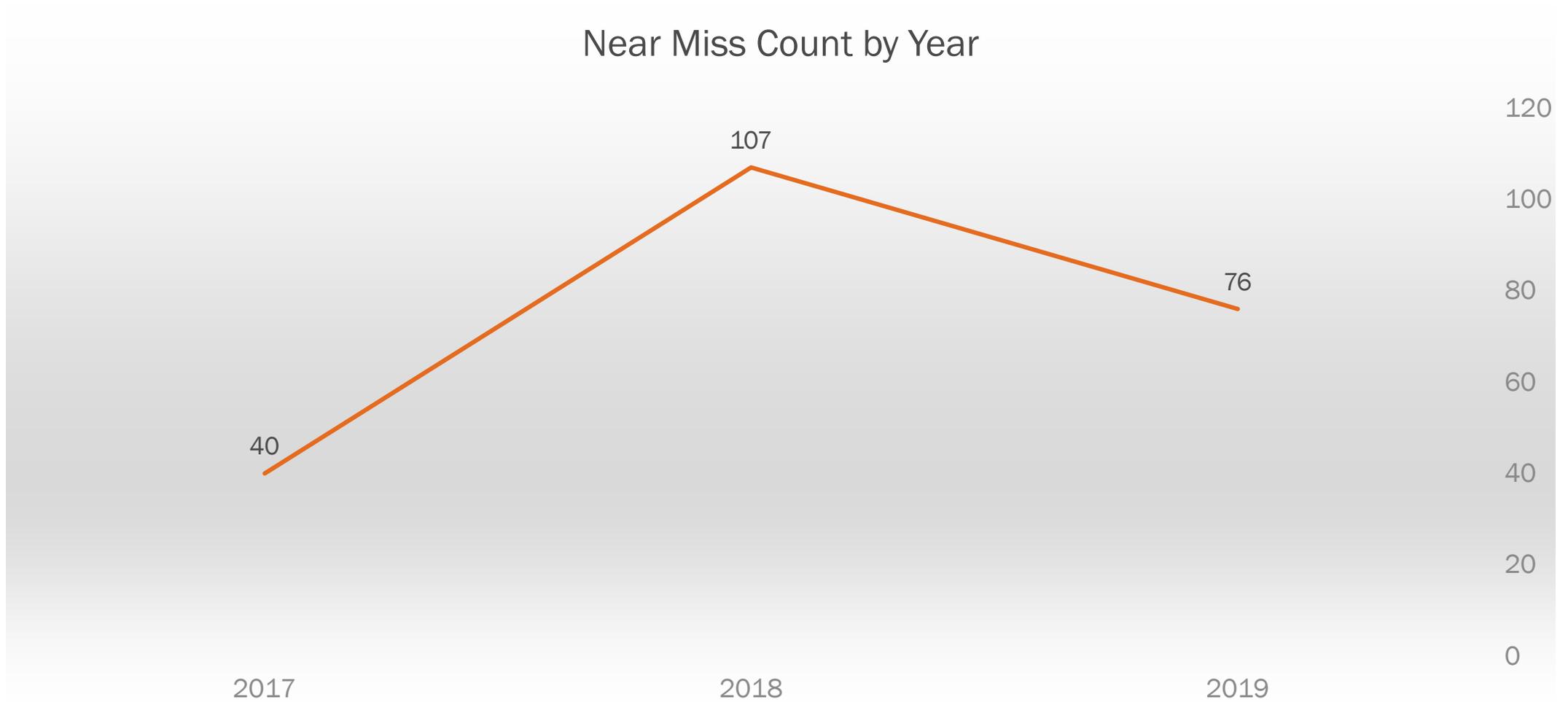
OPPD Management Observation Program



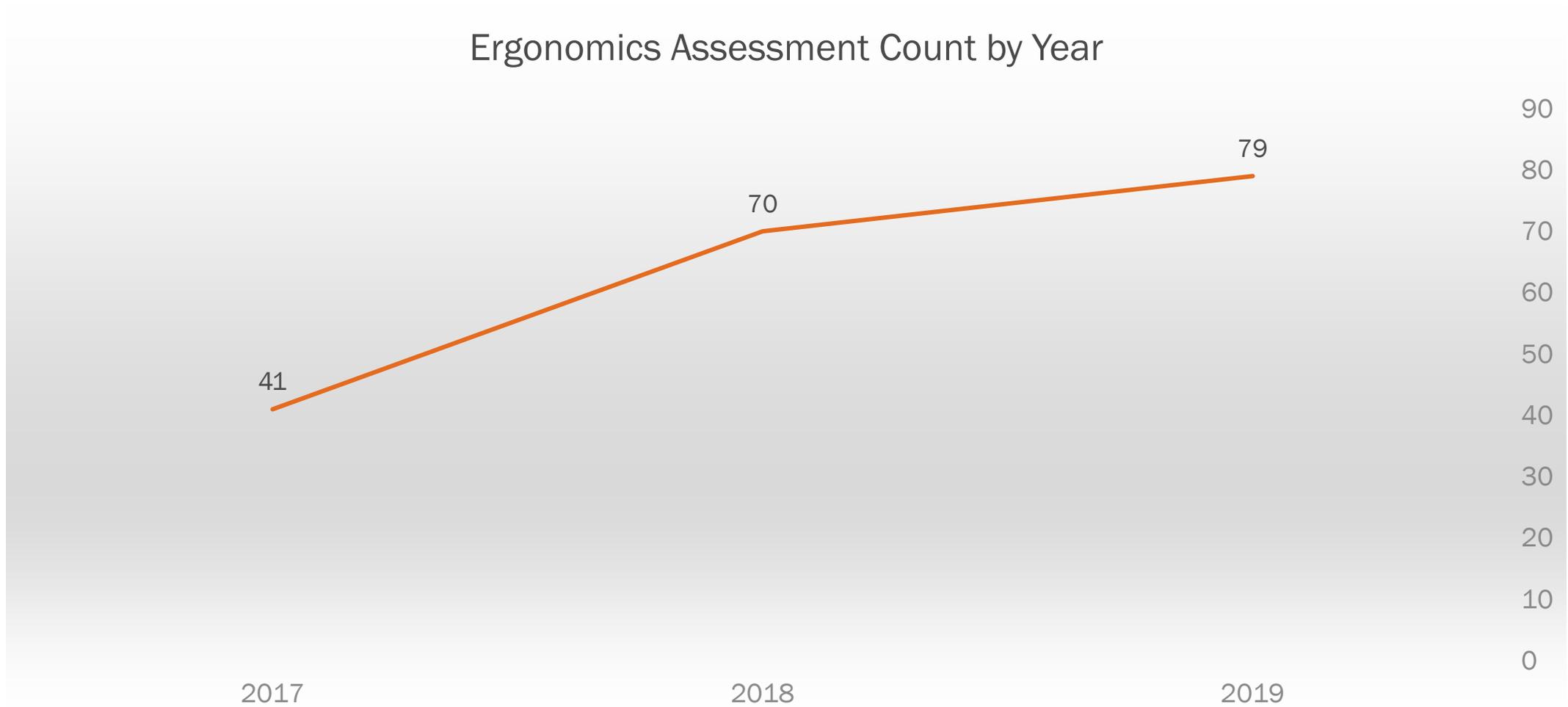
OPPD Good Catch Program



OPPD Near Miss Program



OPPD Ergonomics Assessments



2020 Initiatives

- Crew Leader University (Safety & Human Capital)
- Safety Leadership Training (Safety & Human Capital)
- Psychological Safety
- Field Ergonomics Training
- Lone Worker Pilot
- Safety Index Pilot

Recommendation

- The System Management & Nuclear Oversight Committee has reviewed and accepted this Monitoring Report for SD-6 and recommends that the Board find OPPD to be sufficiently in compliance with Board Policy SD-6.



Yoder/McCormick

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RESOLUTION NO. 63xx

WHEREAS, the Board of the Directors has determined it is in the best interest of the District, its employees, and its customer-owners to establish written policies that describe and document OPPD's corporate governance principles and procedures; and

WHEREAS, each policy was evaluated and assigned to the appropriate Board Committee for oversight of the monitoring process; and

WHEREAS, the Board's System Management and Nuclear Oversight Committee (the "Committee") is responsible for evaluating Board Policy SD-6: Safety on an annual basis. The Committee has reviewed the 2019 SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report and finds OPPD to be sufficiently in compliance with the policy as stated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors accepts the 2019 SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report, in the form as set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, and finds OPPD to be sufficiently in compliance with the policy as stated.



Board Action

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 14, 2020

ITEM

Award Spring 2020 Fiber Optic Ground Wire Installations

PURPOSE

Board of Directors authorization to award a contract for construction services to add fiber optic ground wire to existing transmission lines to support the Fiber Network Expansion (FNE) project and relocate transmission structures to support a customer project.

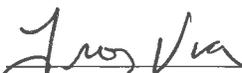
FACTS

- a. FNE is a four-year project to upgrade communications circuits now leased from local telecommunications providers who plan to discontinue support of these aging facilities. The facilities, used mostly to ensure reliability and the ability to monitor and control energy delivery facilities, will be replaced with a combination of technologies including Fiber Optic Ground Wire (OPGW) installed on transmission lines across the OPPD territory. Upgrades are anticipated to be complete by the end of 2020.
- b. Two 161kV structures are required to be relocated to support a customer project.
- c. Construction labor including the following:
 1. Removal of existing ground wire and existing hardware.
 2. Installation of fiber optic ground wire and hardware.
 3. Structure removal and replacement.
 4. Wire stringing.
- d. Three proposals were received. All three proposals are legally and technically responsive.
- e. Construction will begin February 2020 and conclude May 2020.
- f. The bid from Watts Electric Company was evaluated to be the lowest and best bid.

ACTION

Authorization by the Board to award a labor contract to Watts Electric Company for the evaluated amount of One Million, Six Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Sixty-One Dollars and Forty Cents (\$ 1,649,661.40) based on the evaluation of RFP No. 5654 – “Spring 2020 Fiber Optic Ground Wire Installations” for the procurement of construction services to add fiber optic ground wire to existing transmission lines and structure replacements.

RECOMMENDED:


Troy Via

APPROVED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:


Timothy J. Burke

TRV:sjh

Attachments: Analysis of Proposals
Tabulation of Bids
Legal Opinion
Resolution

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Omaha Public Power District

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 19, 2019

From: D. D. Buelt

To: T. R. Via

RFP No. 5654
“Spring 2020 Fiber Optic Ground Wire Installations”
Analysis of Proposals

1.00 GENERAL

RFP No. 5654 was advertised for bid on November 12, 2019.

This contract will procure construction services for transmission system modifications including fiber optic ground wire installation, structural upgrades to support the addition of fiber optic ground wire, transmission structure relocations, and maintenance work.

Construction is scheduled to begin February 4, 2020 and conclude by May 29, 2020.

Two (2) Addendums were issued. Addendum No. 1 provided additional distribution drawings and a Google Earth .kmz file of the project location. Addendum No. 2 corrected bid unit quantities in the bid form.

Bids were requested and opened at 2:00 p.m., C.S.T., Tuesday, December 10, 2019.

Three total proposals were received. The proposals received are summarized in the table below:

Bidder	Lump Sum Firm Price	Legally Responsive	Technically Responsive
Watts Electric Company	\$ 1,649,661.40	Yes	Yes
F.B. Timberline	\$ 3,070,021.40	Yes	Yes
The L.E. Myers Co.	\$ 3,326,694.61	Yes	Yes

2.00 COMPLIANCE WITH CONTRACT TERMS AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The District’s legal counsel noted the proposal response from The L.E. Myers Co. included minor revisions to certain contract provisions, however the alternate terms are minor, thus the proposal was deemed legally responsive.

The two remaining proposals were deemed to be legally responsive.

3.00 COMPLIANCE WITH TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

All proposals were deemed to be technically responsive.

4.00 RECOMMENDATION

On the basis of compliance with the legal and technical requirements of the specifications, cost evaluations performed and guaranteed completion dates, it is recommended that RFP No. 5654, "Spring 2020 Fiber Optic Ground Wire Installations" be awarded to Watts Electric Company for the evaluated amount of One Million, Six Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Sixty-One Dollars and Forty Cents (\$ 1,649,661.40).



Dannie Buelt, P.E.
Director Engineering
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December 12, 2019

Omaha Public Power District
444 South 16th Street
Omaha, NE 68102

RE: Request for Proposal No. 5654 – Spring 2020 Fiber Optic Ground Wire Installation
("RFP No. 5654")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have reviewed the three (3) proposals received in response to the District's RFP No. 5654 and provide the following legal opinion.

The proposals of Forbes Brothers/Timberline and L.E. Myers Company submit technical clarifications and assumptions that must be evaluated by the District. The L.E. Myers proposal also submits minor revisions to certain contract provisions. We do not deem those revisions materially non-responsive to the RFP.

Subject to the foregoing comments and the District's technical and economic evaluation, all of the proposals received in response to the District's RFP No. 5654 may be considered by the District's Board of Directors for the award of this contract. The performance and payment bond of the successful bidder also must be approved by the Board.

Very truly yours,



Stephen M. Bruckner
FOR THE FIRM

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Yoder/Via

DRAFT
RESOLUTION NO. 63.xx

WHEREAS, sealed bids were requested and advertised, as required by law, for the following:

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 5654
SPRING 2020 FIBER OPTIC GROUND WIRE INSTALLATIONS

WHEREAS, bids were received and opened at the time and place mentioned in the published notices and the Director – Supply Chain Management supervised the tabulations, which have been submitted to this Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has carefully considered the bids submitted, as well as the recommendations of the District’s Management and General Counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Omaha Public Power District that Management hereby is authorized and directed to accept the proposal of Watts Electric Company for the procurement of construction services to add fiber optic ground wire to existing transmission lines and structure replacements, as set forth in Request for Proposal No. 5654, in the amount of \$1,649,661.40, and the bond of such bidder hereby is approved.



Board Action

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 14, 2020

ITEM

Nebraska City Unit 2 Ovation DCS Evergreen Upgrade

PURPOSE

Authorize management to negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. (Emerson) to upgrade the existing Nebraska City Unit 2 Ovation Distributed Control System (DCS).

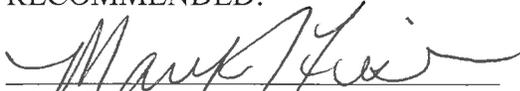
FACTS

- a. The DCS Human Machine Interfaces (HMI) are obsolete running the Windows 7 and Server 2008 R2 operating systems. The DCS HMI networking switches and media converters will be replaced in addition to several DCS software packages.
- b. Upgrading the DCS equipment and software to the most current vendor platforms is required to maintain reliability and availability.
- c. The Ovation DCS is complex and highly technical. Emerson is the original equipment manufacturer and is most capable of providing replacement equipment best integrated with their DCS.
- d. Compliance with sealed bidding provisions of the Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 70-637 is impractical and not in the public's best interest.

ACTION

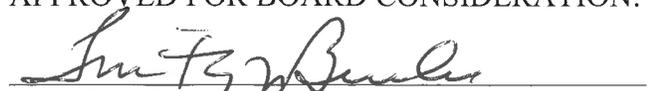
Approval of the Engineer's Certification and authorization for management to negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson to upgrade the Nebraska City Station Unit 2 DCS.

RECOMMENDED:



Mary J. Fisher

APPROVED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:



Timothy J. Burke

MJF:rak

Attachments: Letter of Recommendation
Engineer's Certification
Legal Opinion
Resolution



MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 19, 2019

EPND-19-020

FROM: S. A. Eidem

TO: M. J. Fisher

SUBJECT: Request for Proposal No. 5682
Nebraska City Unit 2 Ovation DCS Evergreen Upgrade
EC 70285

1.00 GENERAL

It is requested that the District negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. (Emerson) for the Nebraska City Unit 2 (NC2) Ovation Distributed Control System (DCS) Evergreen Upgrade.

The current Ovation DCS Human Machine Interfaces (HMI) were installed in 2015. The HMI portion of the control system requires updating due to obsolescence of the operation system software for continued reliability and availability and for reduced cyber security vulnerabilities. Windows 7 and Server 2008 R2 will become unsupported by Microsoft in January 2020. The Ovation DCS software 3.5.1 entered retired status in June 2019. Retired status indicates software and products are no longer available for purchase and product support is limited and subject to availability. The HMI hardware and software must be replaced.

The Ovation DCS network switches and media converters are in need of replacement for their continued reliability and availability. The network switches were last replaced during the 2011 DCS Evergreen Upgrade. The media converters are original from the initial DCS assembly in 2006.

The work involved is complex and of a highly technical nature and it is critical that the hardware replacements be properly integrated with the overall proprietary control system. A negotiated contract with the OEM to upgrade the DCS to their most current platform ensures proper system engineering, equipment and software integration with the overall control system and is in the best interest of the District. This approach is expected to minimize project cost and risk.

2.00 RECOMMENDATION

An Engineer's Certification to support this position has been prepared. Approval of that Certification is recommended. We request the Board of Directors to approve the Engineer's Certification and to authorize management to negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. to upgrade the Nebraska City Unit 2 DCS.

S.A. Eidem, P.E.
Director – Engineering Services
Energy Production and Nuclear Decommissioning

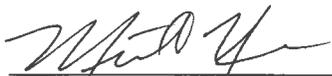
ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATION

The District's Nebraska City Station Unit 2 (NC2) utilizes an Ovation Distributed Control System (DCS) manufactured by Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. (Emerson). The Human Machine Interface software and interface support hardware of the system consist of computers running either Windows 7 or Server 2008 R2. Other DCS equipment includes the network switches and media converters. Due to obsolescence, the District must replace these components of the control system and upgrade software for ease of operation, maintenance, support and spare parts availability.

The undersigned professional engineer employed by the District certifies that, due to the technically complex and unique nature of the DCS and the need to upgrade the existing system to maintain optimal DCS function, Emerson, the original supplier of the DCS hardware and software, is the only available source of supply for this project, and the proposed purchase is consistent with standards of the Board of Directors for such procurements.

Pursuant to Section 70-637 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, as amended, the Board of Directors is requested to approve this Engineer's Certification and authorize Management to negotiate and award a contract to Emerson to engineer and supply the replacement hardware and software for the Ovation Distributed Control System at NC2, without compliance with the statutory sealed bidding requirements.

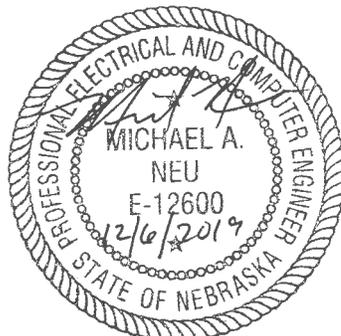
I, Michael A. Neu (registered Professional Engineer in the State of Nebraska), certify the above to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Michael A. Neu, P.E.

12/6/2019

Date



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December 6, 2019

Omaha Public Power District
444 South 16th Street Mall
Omaha, NE 68102

RE: Engineer's Certification Relating to Procurement of material and software for control system at Nebraska City Station Unit 2 ("NC2")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

NC2 utilizes a distributed control system manufactured by Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. ("Emerson"). Michael A. Neu, P.E., a Professional Engineer employed by the District, has issued an Engineer's Certification that addresses the District's need to procure replacement hardware and software for the control system.

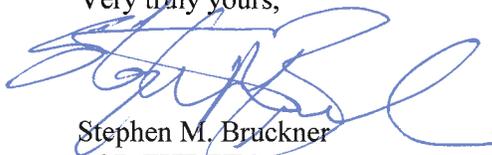
Mr. Neu certifies that the components for the control system are technically complex and unique and that Emerson, the original manufacturer of the control system, is the only available source of supply to maintain a properly functioning control system for NC2.

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 70-637(6) authorizes the District to purchase replacement parts or services from original equipment manufacturers, without advertising for sealed bids, upon appropriate certification by an engineer for the District. In our opinion, Mr. Neu's Engineer's Certification meets the requirements of § 70-637(6).

Section 70-637(6) requires that a written statement containing the Engineer's Certification and a description of the resulting purchase from the original equipment manufacturer must be submitted to the District's Board of Directors for approval. Also, the District must publish notice of such purchase once a week for at least three (3) consecutive weeks in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the District and in any other periodicals that may have been selected by the Board.

In our opinion, the District may proceed to complete this procurement, subject to compliance with § 70-637(6) as outlined above. We recommend that the final contract with the vendor be reviewed and approved by the District's General Counsel.

Very truly yours,



Stephen M. Bruckner
FOR THE FIRM

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Yoder/Fisher

DRAFT
RESOLUTION NO. 63xx

WHEREAS, Nebraska City Station Unit 2 (“NC2”) utilizes a distributed control system manufactured by Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. (“Emerson”); and

WHEREAS, the District’s Engineer has certified that OPPD must procure replacement hardware and software for the control system and that the components for the system are technically complex and unique, and that Emerson, the original manufacturer of the control system, is the only available source of supply to maintain a properly functioning control system for NC2; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute Section 70-637 (as amended), and upon approval of the Engineer’s Certification by the Board of Directors, the District may negotiate and enter into a contract or contracts related to such project without sealed bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Omaha Public Power District that:

1. The Engineer’s Certification requesting that the Board waive the sealed bid requirements, in accordance with Nebraska Revised Statutes Sections 70-637 through 70-639, is hereby approved.
2. Management is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and enter into a contract or contracts with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. for the upgrade of the Nebraska City Unit 2 Ovation Distributed Control System, subject to review and approval of the final contract(s) by the District’s General Counsel.
3. The notice required by Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 70-637 shall be published in the Omaha World Herald, or other similar newspaper of general circulation.



Board Action

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 14, 2020

ITEM

Nebraska City Unit 2 Toshiba steam turbine generator controls migration to Ovation DCS

PURPOSE

Authorize management to negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. (Emerson) to migrate the Nebraska City Unit 2 steam turbine generator controls.

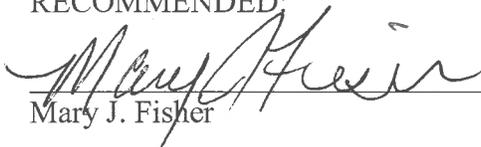
FACTS

- a. The steam turbine generator controls Human Machine Interfaces (HMI) are obsolete running the Windows 7 operating system. This system was installed in 2013 and supplied by the OEM, Toshiba America Energy Systems Corporation (Toshiba).
- b. The steam turbine generator controls are technically complex and unique. Both the Toshiba and Emerson controls are proprietary. It is in the best interest of the plant to have a common control system platform for the steam generator, balance of plant and the steam turbine generator. The steam generator and balance of plant equipment already are controlled with the Ovation DCS.
- c. The new controls are long lead delivery items; the installation will occur in the March 2021 scheduled unit outage.
- d. Compliance with sealed bidding provisions of the Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 70-637 is impractical and not in the public's best interest.

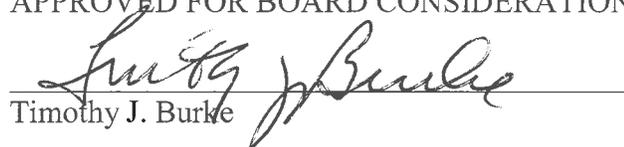
ACTION

Approval of the Engineer's Certification and authorization for management to negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson to migrate the Nebraska City Station Unit 2 steam turbine generator controls.

RECOMMENDED:

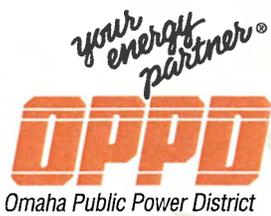

Mary J. Fisher

APPROVED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:


Timothy J. Burke

MJF:rak

Attachments: Letter of Recommendation
Engineer's Certification
Legal Opinion
Resolution



MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 19, 2019

PE&F-19-019

FROM: S. A. Eidem

TO: M. J. Fisher

SUBJECT: Request for Proposal No. 5681
NC2 Steam Turbine Generator Controls Migration to Ovation DCS
EC 69652

1.00 GENERAL

It is requested that the District negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. (Emerson) for the Nebraska City Unit 2 (NC2) Steam Turbine Generator (STG) controls migration to the Ovation Distributed Control System (DCS).

The current STG control system Human Machine Interface (HMI) were installed in 2013. The HMI portion of the control system requires updating due to obsolescence of the operating system software for continued reliability and availability and for reduced cyber security vulnerability. Windows 7 will become unsupported by Microsoft in January 2020. The HMI hardware and operating system must be replaced.

The District's technical evaluation has determined it is best to replace the STG control system by performing a controls migration to the Ovation DCS. The system engineering, equipment and software required for this project are technically complex and unique and both the Toshiba and Ovation controls are proprietary systems. The Ovation DCS already is in use for the NC2 steam generator and balance of plant equipment and is in the best interest of the plant to have a common control system platform. The NC1 DCS is the common controls platform for its unit's steam generator, steam turbine generator and balance of plant equipment. The STG controls when migrated will have full compatibility with the existing NC2 Ovation DCS installed. By migrating the STG controls to the Ovation DCS, all Toshiba controls spare parts will be eliminated, the communication data link will no longer be required and several single points of failure will be corrected.

2.00 RECOMMENDATION

An Engineer's Certification to support this position has been prepared. Approval of that Certification is recommended. We request the Board of Directors to approve the Engineer's Certification and to authorize management to negotiate and enter into a contract with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. to migrate the Nebraska City Unit 2 steam turbine generator control system.

S.A. Eidem, P.E.
Director – Engineering Services

ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATION

The District's Nebraska City Station Unit 2 (NC2) Steam Turbine Generator (STG) control system was manufactured by Toshiba America Energy Systems Corporation (Toshiba). The Human Machine Interface (HMI) hardware and software for the STG control system consist of computers running Windows 7. Due to obsolescence, the District must replace these HMI components of the STG control system. The District's evaluation has determined it is best to replace the STG control system by performing a controls migration to Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc.'s (Emerson) Ovation Distributed Control System (DCS). The District already uses an Ovation DCS for NC2 for the control system of the steam generator and balance of plant equipment.

The undersigned professional engineer employed by the District certifies that compliance with the sealed bidding requirements of Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 70-637 is impractical and not in the public interest for the following reasons:

- The system engineering, equipment, and software required for this project are technically complex and unique, and both the current Toshiba system and the Emerson Ovation DCS are proprietary systems.
- The District's technical evaluation has concluded that it is in the best interest of the plant to have a common control system platform for the steam generator, balance of plant equipment, and steam turbine generator, or STG. The steam generator and balance of plant equipment already are controlled with the Ovation DCS. The STG controls when migrated will have full compatibility with the existing Ovation DCS installed at NC2.
- This project requires a 52-week delivery lead-time and installation is scheduled during the maintenance outage beginning in February 2021.
- The Ovation DCS has the full compatibility to interface with the plant's existing installed equipment.
- By migrating to the Ovation DCS for the STG control system, all Toshiba STG controls required spare parts inventory will be eliminated. The existing Ovation DCS spare parts inventory also will be usable for the STG migrated controls equipment. A small number of STG unique Ovation DCS spare parts will be added to the inventory.
- The current Toshiba STG to Ovation DCS communication data link will no longer be required.
- Several Toshiba STG controls field measurement inputs have inherent single points of failure that can be corrected during this project with the Ovation DCS.
- Toshiba STG controls temperature input modules are obsolete and the available updated revision replacements require an out of service plant condition for installation.

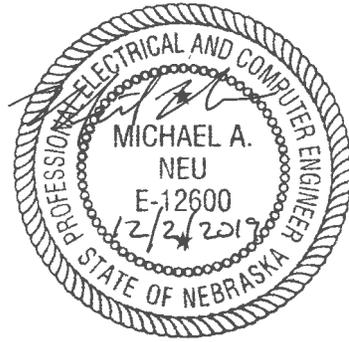
Pursuant to Section 70-637 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, as amended, the Board of Directors is requested to approve this Engineer's Certification and authorize Management to negotiate and award a contract to Emerson to engineer and supply a an Ovation distributed control system for the NC2 steam turbine generator, without compliance with the statutory sealed bidding requirements.

I, Michael A. Neu (registered Professional Engineer in the State of Nebraska), certify the above to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Michael A. Neu, P.E.

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December 2, 2019

Omaha Public Power District
444 South 16th Street
Omaha, NE 68102

RE: Purchase of Control System for Nebraska City Station Unit 2 Steam Turbine Generator

Ladies and Gentlemen:

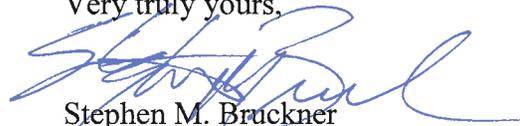
We have reviewed the Engineer's Certification of Michael A. Neu, P.E., a professional engineer employed by the District. Mr. Neu's Certification states that District Management has determined it is necessary to purchase Human Machine Interface hardware and software for the control system of the Steam Turbine Generator ("STG") at Nebraska City Station No. 2 ("NC2"). OPPD Management has identified Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. ("Emerson") as the vendor best suited to supply the control system. Mr. Neu explains in his Certification that the system engineering, equipment, and software required for this project are technically complex and unique, and that both the current Toshiba system and the Emerson system are proprietary systems. He further certifies that the District's technical evaluation has concluded that it is in the best interest of the plant to have a common control system platform for the steam generator, balance of plant equipment, and steam turbine generator, or STG. The steam generator and balance of plant equipment already are controlled with the Emerson control system. The control system for the STG will have full compatibility with the existing Emerson control system installed at NC2. For these and other reasons set forth in the Engineer's Certification, Mr. Neu certifies that compliance with the sealed bidding requirements of Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 70-637 is impractical and not in the public interest.

Section 70-637 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes authorizes the District to enter into a contract without advertising for sealed bids if the contract involves a technologically complex or unique equipment contract and the District's Engineer has certified that compliance with the sealed bidding requirements would be impractical or not in the public interest. Section 70-637 requires the Engineer's Certification to be approved by a two-thirds vote of the District's Board of Directors. It is our opinion that Mr. Neu's Engineer's Certification meets the requirements of Section 70-637, and the District's Board may approve the Certification and authorize Management to negotiate and enter into a contract to procure the control system for the NC2 steam turbine generator from Emerson Automation Systems, without utilizing the sealed bidding process set forth in Section 70-637.

Section 70-637 requires that the District's intention to enter into this contract must be published three (3) times in a newspaper of general circulation, with not less than seven (7) days between issues. The contract may not be executed until twenty (20) days after the last advertisement. The advertisement process may begin before Board review.

Subject to the Board's approval of the Engineer's Certification and the advertisement process described above, the District may proceed to negotiate and enter into the referenced contract with Emerson without utilizing the Nebraska sealed bidding process. We recommend that the contract be reviewed and approved by the District's General Counsel.

Very truly yours,



Stephen M. Bruckner
FOR THE FIRM

SMB/sjc
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Yoder/Fisher

DRAFT
RESOLUTION NO. 63xx

WHEREAS, Nebraska City Station Unit 2 (“NC2”) utilizes a steam turbine generator controls system manufactured by Toshiba America Energy Systems Corporation (“Toshiba”); and

WHEREAS, the District’s Engineer has certified that OPPD must procure replacement hardware and software for the steam turbine generator controls system and that the components for the system are technically complex and unique; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Engineer also has certified that it is in the best interest of the District to migrate the steam turbine generator controls system from Toshiba to Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. (“Emerson”), in order to have a common control system platform for NC2; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute Section 70-637 (as amended), and upon approval of the Engineer’s Certification by the Board of Directors, the District may negotiate and enter into a contract or contracts related to such project without sealed bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Omaha Public Power District that:

1. The Engineer’s Certification requesting that the Board waive the sealed bid requirements, in accordance with Nebraska Revised Statutes Sections 70-637 through 70-639, is hereby approved.
2. Management is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and enter into a contract or contracts with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. for the migration of the Nebraska City Unit 2 Steam Turbine Generator Controls System, subject to review and approval of the final contract(s) by the District’s General Counsel.
3. The notice required by Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 70-637 shall be published in the Omaha World Herald, or other similar newspaper of general circulation.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Reporting Item

January 14, 2020

ITEM

Nuclear Oversight Committee Report

PURPOSE

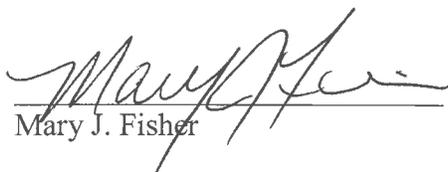
The Nuclear Oversight Committee provides a regular oversight of items related to the Fort Calhoun Station (FCS) nuclear plant.

FACTS

In addition to maintaining spent fuel pool cooling and the required Preventative Maintenance tasks and Surveillance Tests, the following major decommissioning activities were completed in December:

- Eight canisters, containing 256 spent fuel bundles, have been safely placed in dry fuel storage as of the end of December. The schedule has the remaining 22 canisters loaded and placed in storage by mid-2020. The 'just in time' manufacturing production rate, along with associated documentation, continues to challenge the site. Heightened management oversight continues in an effort to resolve these issues and build contingency time in the schedule.
- Construction of the outer walls of the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) Operations Facility (IOF) has been challenging. The manufacturer experienced several quality control lapses, having to re-pour the prefabricated walls two times. The wall panels accepted for use were not delivered until the end of December. While the on-site team mitigated the delays as possible, not being able to complete this key activity as scheduled is expected to cause a two to three week delay in final project completion.
- The site passed the one-year mark without a Days Away Restricted or Transferred (DART) injury. This is a testament to the behaviors demonstrated by the team daily as we continue to transition into active deconstruction of the facility.

RECOMMENDED:


Mary J. Fisher

APPROVED FOR REPORTING
TO BOARD:


Timothy J. Burke

MJF:tsu



Pre-Committee Agenda

PUBLIC INFORMATION PRE-COMMITTEE MEETING

Energy Plaza

January 7, 2020 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

1. Role of Directors in Outreach (20 mins)
 - a. Objective: Discuss the role of Directors in public engagement efforts
2. BL-9: Delegation to President & CEO – Local, State and Federal Legislation and Regulation (20 mins)
 - a. Objective: Discuss potential revisions to BL-9
3. SD-13: Stakeholder Outreach and Engagement (10 mins)
 - a. Objective: Debrief of public engagement with respect to Power with Purpose
4. Legislative Update (20 mins)
 - a. Objective: Provide a preview on 2020 Nebraska Legislative Session and brief Federal update



Reporting Item

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 14, 2020

ITEM

State and Federal Legislation

PURPOSE

To discuss a preview of 2020 state and federal legislative matters

FACTS

- a. Nebraska's 106th Legislature, second session, begins on January 8, 2020, and is expected to end April 23, 2020.

ACTION

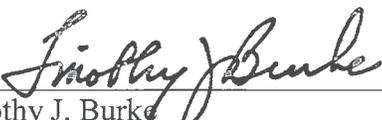
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RECOMMENDED:

APPROVED FOR REPORTING
TO BOARD COMMITTEE:



Lisa A. Olson



Timothy J. Burke

LAO:jlh

2020 Nebraska Legislative Session Preview 1/14/2020

Tim O'Brien, Director – Economic Development & External Relations

Agenda

- 2020 Nebraska Legislative Preview
- Board Update Process

2020 Nebraska Legislative Preview

Nebraska's 106th Legislature

- January 8th – Legislature convenes at 10 a.m.
- January 13th – Debate on carry-over legislation begins
- January 21st – Public hearings begin
- January 23rd – Last day of bill introduction
- February 19th – Deadline for Speaker priority requests
- February 21st – Deadline for designation of committee and senator priority bills
- February 25th – Speaker priority bills announced prior to adjournment
- February 27th – Date to complete committee public hearings on introduced bills
- March 3rd – Full-day debate
- April 23rd – Day 60, sine die

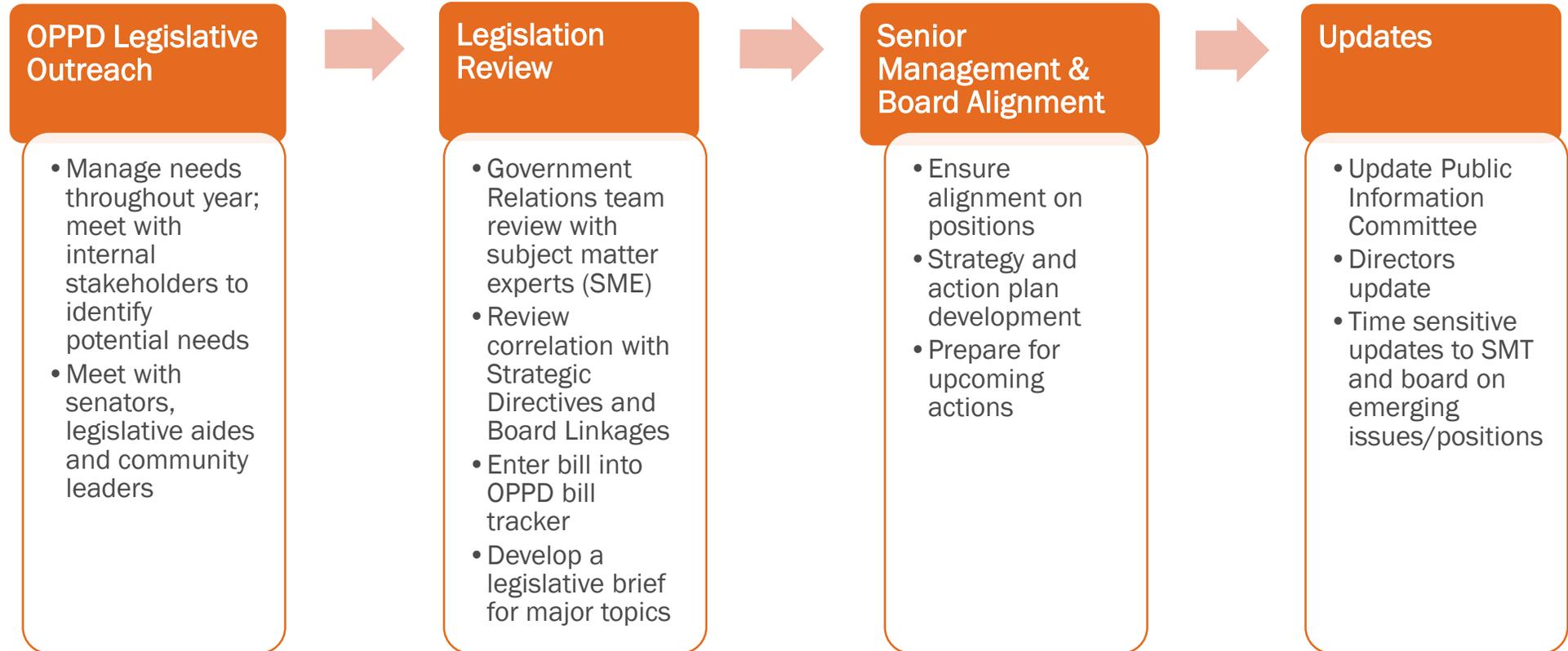
2020 Nebraska Legislative Preview

- Themes are similar to last year
- Major themes include:
 - Property taxes
 - Tax incentives
 - Workforce development
 - Flood recovery
 - Corrections
- Legislation from 2019 known as “hold over legislation” has the ability to move forward in this session

2020 Nebraska Legislative Preview

- Likely topics related to OPPD and our industry:
 - Data privacy
 - Economic development – taxes and workforce
 - Decarbonization Study/Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS)
 - Broadband
 - Home Owners Association (HOA) governance
 - Linda’s law – Medical shutoffs
 - LB218 fix for rural electric cooperatives
 - Governance for MEAN/NMPP
 - Non-traditional fuels
 - Electric vehicles
 - Net metering
 - Others that will arise

Legislative Policy Review



Board Update Process

- Monthly update to Public Information Committee during state session
 - Focus on providing review of legislative issues
- Monthly updates at Board Committee Meeting
 - Review legislative bill and regulatory highlights
- Weekly Directors Update
 - Includes bill tracking document with updates highlighted
- Time-sensitive updates sent to board on emerging issues/positions

Omaha Public Power District
106th Session of the Nebraska State Legislature - Update 1/6/2019

Bill No	One Liner and Summary	Proposed Position	Status	Strategic Directive(s)	Rationale & Actions
Priority Bills					
LB 283 Pansing Brooks	Provide for a climate change study. Directs the University of Nebraska to develop a strategic action plan to provide methods for adapting and mitigating the impacts of climate change. Directs the State Treasure to transfer \$250,000 from the Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Fund to the University. Plan to be submitted to the Governor by 12/15/2020.	MONITOR NPA MONITOR	1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Executive Board. 2/11/2019 Hearing Held.	SD-1 SD-2 SD-7	We are currently gathering more information on the scope, funding source and potential findings of the bill that will help us further our position on the bill.
LB 285 McCollister	State intent to appropriate funds to the Nebraska Power Review Board for a study and state public policy. Would appropriate \$200,000 for FY 2019-20 from the general fund to the NPRB to conduct a study of electric transmission, distribution infrastructure, policy and future needs to encourage and facilitate the development of renewable energy generation facilities in Nebraska.	OPPOSED NPA Recommend OPPOSE to NPA Board	1/17/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee. 3/14/2019 Hearing Held.	SD-7	This information is already being studied by individual utilities, the Nebraska Power Association and the Southwest Power Pool. The Nebraska Power Review Board has a consultant who monitor and attends Southwest Power Pool meetings.

<p>LB 373 Brewer</p>	<p>Provide setback and zoning requirements for wind energy generation projects. No wind turbine will be located within 3 miles of a residence without written consent of owner prior to any construction on the project. Provides for zoning provisions regarding setbacks for surface danger area due to collapse or ice throw, noise standards and decommissioning. Provides for fees established by the county for applications for conditional uses or special exceptions. Variances and exceptions granted prior to 7/1/2019 for a wind energy conversion may continue in effect subject to oversight by the county or municipality.</p>	<p>OPPOSE NPA NEUTRAL NPPD NO POSITION</p>	<p>1/16/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 1/31/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Brewer AM428 filed. 5/30/2019 Attorney General Opinion 19-008 to Brewer.</p>	<p>SD-7</p>	<p>A three-mile setback seems unnecessary. Concerns that new businesses may not choose Nebraska to locate their business projects due to the inability to acquire renewable energy assets in our state. In addition, the bill provides challenges for OPPD’s renewable energy procurements and may force us to pursue renewable assets in other regions.</p> <p>Position letter was provided to the Committee.</p> <p>Remains in Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. There was conversation about taking to Executive Session and was pulled from that discussion. We continue to monitor.</p>
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LB 509 McCollister	<p>To redefine net metering and qualified facility; to change a provision relating to powers and duties of a local distribution utility. Customer that generates more than 5kW may be charged a separate net-metering rate based on cost of service. Utility shall have rate making authority for net metering rate however not to exceed 20% of the utilities fixed rate. No other fee shall be charged for net metering including standby, capacity, demand, interconnection or other fees or charge. Increases rated capacity to 100kW. After the first 25kW the utility has the authority to modify the generator down to 110% of the customers average monthly usage if customer/developer proposes a generator size in excess of customers usage. If utility can show a risk the percent decreases to 100 percent.</p>	<p>SUPPORT of AM624</p>	<p>1/22/2019 Introduced. 1/24/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee. 3/14/2019 Hearing Held.</p>	<p>SD-2 SD-5 SD-7 SD-9</p>	<p>Extensive review has been conducted by OPPD subject matter experts (SME). SME review and suggested changes were provided to the board and the Senator.</p> <p>OPPD testified in support of the bill with AM624</p>
LB 627 Pansing Brooks	<p>Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity. Would be an unlawful employment practice for an employer, an employment agency, or a labor organization to discriminate against an individual on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity. The Act applies to employers having 15 or more employees, employers with state contracts regardless of the number of employees, the State of Nebraska, based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, marital status or national origin.</p>	<p>SUPPORT</p>	<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Judiciary Committee. 2/7/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Chair ruled there had not been full and fair debate on the advancement of the bill. 3/5/2019 Motion to overrule the chair failed.</p>		<p>OPPD has two policies regarding discrimination, for both hiring practices and equal employment opportunity.</p>

LB 678 Vargas	<p>Create the Volkswagen Settlement Cash Fund and provide duties for the Dept of Environmental Quality. The fund shall be administered by the DEQ. The DEQ shall spend the funds according to the department use plan. The DEQ shall set aside 15% to build, fund, and maintain level two and level three EV charging stations.</p>	SUPPORT	<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Appropriations Committee. 3/20/2019 Hearing Held.</p>	SD-5 SD-7	<p>Could provide more EV stations for OPPD customers and Nebraska residents statewide. Correlates with many of OPPD's Strategic Directives. Position letter was provided by OPPD.</p>
LB 700 Bostelman	<p>Provide for decommissioning and reclamation of a wind energy conversion system. Requires any person owning, operating or managing a wind energy system to decommission the system and land to its natural state. This includes removal of concrete below ground.</p>	MONITOR	<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee. 3/6/2019 Hearing Held. 3/19/2019 Natural Resources Priority Bill. 3/27/2019 Wayne MO36 indefinitely postpone filed. 4/5/2019 Placed on General File with AM1098.</p>	SD-7	<p>The bill and amendment from the Natural Resources Committee AM1098 were debated on general file and failed to move forward at this time due to a filibuster.</p>

LB 720 Kolterman	Adopt the ImagiNE Nebraska Act and provide tax incentives. Would modernize the economic development platform in Nebraska by encouraging new business to relocate in NE, encourage existing businesses to remain and grow in NE, encourage the creation and retention of new, high-paying jobs, attract and retain investment capital, develop workforce, simplify the administration of the tax incentive program for business and the state and improve the transparency and accountability of such programs.	SUPPORT	1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 2/12/2019 Kolterman priority bill. 3/6/2019 Hearing Held. 4/5/2019 Kolterman AM1198 filed. 5/10/2019 Placed on General File with AM1614. 5/15/2019 various amendments introduced. 5/22/2019 Advanced to Select File with ER136. 5/24/2019 Kolterman MO108 invoke cloture failed.	SD-11	Further supports SD-11 while enhancing economic development opportunities to keep the state competitive. Economic development incentives have served us well in attracting new businesses and growing existing businesses. Letter provided to committee.
Bills of Significant Interest (MONITOR)					
LB 76 Williams	Change provisions relating to the nameplate capacity tax. Would determine nameplate capacity based on alternate current capacity.	MONITOR	1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 2/8/2019 Hearing Held. 3/13/2019 Placed on General File.	SD-1 SD-9	Reviewing with OPPD subject matter experts. No plans to provide a position letter or testimony.

LB 95 Wayne	Change applicability provisions for building codes. State agencies shall comply with local building codes for repairs or building of structures and requires local building and construction codes to meet or exceed standards of the state building code.	MONITOR	1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 2/12/2019 Hearing Held.	SD-6	
LB 148 Groene	Change requirements for public hearings on proposed budget statements and notices of meeting of public bodies. Requires a budget meeting separate from regularly scheduled meetings for governing bodies and meeting shall not be limited by time.	MONITOR	1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/6/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Placed on General File with AM421. 3/26/2019 Wayne FA 33 filed.	SD-13	
LB 208 Walz	Provide for an exception for leasing dark fiber or providing certain telecommunications and related services by a state agency or political subdivision. Allows a public-private partnership between an agency or political subdivision to develop or enhance the public infrastructure to provide broadband service Internet services, telecommunication services or video services using any combination of federal, state or local funds, grants, loans, debt, or other funding sources.	MONITOR	1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Trans and Tele Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held.	SD-5 SD-9 SD-11	No plans to provide a position letter or testimony.

LB 366 Bostelman	<p>Change registration fee for alternative fuel-powered motor vehicles. Would change registration fees for alternative fuel-powered motor vehicles. Increase current fees of \$75, \$10 per year from 2020 to 2024. Fees will cap at \$125 after 2024. Fees will credit the Highway Trust Fund.</p>	MONITOR	<p>1/16/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 2/26/2019 Hearing Held.</p>	SD-7	
LB 456 Lathrop	<p>Provide a sales and use tax exemption for certain machinery and equipment used to produce electricity. Provides a sales and use tax exemption on machinery and equipment used in the production of electricity from a renewable energy sources. This includes equipment used to store electricity from renewable sources.</p>	MONITOR	<p>1/18/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 3/14/2019 Hearing Held.</p>	SD-7	
LB 620 Kolowski	<p>Provide for enforcement of handheld wireless communication devices as a primary action. Would prohibit texting while driving and classify it as a primary offense.</p>	MONITOR	<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 3/4/2019 Hearing Held.</p>	SD-6	

LB 621 Kolowski	<p>Change provisions relating to solar energy and wind energy, declare certain instruments void and unenforceable, and provide for a civil cause of action. Regulations that forbid the use of solar products in any form, including covenants, declarations, bylaw, deed, lease, contract or other agreement, term, provision or condition are prohibited. Also regulates the location of buildings and vegetation with respect to boundary lines and "the right to direct sunlight".</p>	MONITOR	<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Judiciary Committee. 2/21/2019 Hearing Held.</p>	SD-7	<p>Hearing was monitored, no change in position was recommended to SMT.</p>
LB 704 McCollister	<p>Provide for a request for proposals for renewable energy for state-owned buildings and a study regarding state vehicles. Requires state buildings to purchase energy from renewable sources. 50% by 2022, 60% by 2025, 70% by 2028, 80% by 2031. Also requires the Dept of Administrative Services to examine historical and current energy usage, energy expenditures and energy sources for all state-owned buildings and an analysis of opportunities for cost savings in energy through increased utilization of electricity for instate renewable energy.</p>	MONITOR	<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 3/15/2019 Hearing Held.</p>	SD-7	

Bills of General Interest

LB 19 Briese	Allow withholding from public of reports of injury under the Nebr Workers Comp Act as prescribed and provide duties for the Nebr Workers Comp Court.		Introduced 1/10/2019. Referred to Business and Labor Committee 1/14/2019. 3/25/2019 Hearing Scheduled.		
LB 20 Briese	Require voter approval of public building commission bonds		1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 1/24/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 39 Hilkemann	Change provisions relating to occupant protection system enforcement and change certain violations from secondary to primary enforcement. All passengers in vehicles must wear seat belts. Changes violation from secondary to primary offense.		1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 3/4/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 40 Hilkemann	Change provisions related to provisional operator's permits, LPD and LPE learner's permits, and interactive wireless communication devices. Persons holding a learners permit shall not use wireless communication devices while operating a motor vehicle. Changes violation from secondary to primary offense.		1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 3/4/2019 Hearing Held.		

LB 51 Vargas	Change license applications, prohibited acts, and franchise restrictions under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act.		1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 2/26/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 150 Brewer	Change provisions relating to access to public records and provide for fees. Changes language from citizen to residents and provides cost determination of resident and nonresident fees for copies of public records.		1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/8/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 151 Brewer	Adopt the Government Neutrality in Contracting Act. Purpose is to provide efficient procurement of goods and services by governmental units and to promote economical, nondiscriminatory and efficient administration of construction projects.		1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/16/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/20/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 204 Briese	Require approval of voters for bonds under the Interlocal Cooperation Act. Requires voter approval for bonds issued by a joint public agency and which is a political subdivision.		1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA. 1/24/2019 Hearing Held.		

LB 246 Brewer	Change provisions relating to elections.		1/14/2019 Introduced. 1/16/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/7/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Placed on General File.		
LB 253 McCollister	Adopt the Redistricting Act		1/14/2019 Introduced. 1/16/2019 Referred to Executive Board. 2/14/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 254 McCollister	Adopt the Fair Chance Hiring Act. Prohibits an employer or employment agency from asking an applicant of criminal history until the employer has determined the applicant meets the minimum employment qualifications unless the there is Federal or State law in place requiring a criminal background check for the position.		1/14/2019 Introduced. 1/16/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held. 2/14/2019 Placed on General File. 2/26/2019 Advanced to Select File with ER40. 3/12/2019 Advanced to Final Reading.		
LB 272 Morfeld	Adopt the Apprenticeship Training Program Tax Credit Act. Amount of credit allowed in any year for individual apprentice shall not exceed \$2000 a year or 50% of the total wages expected to be paid in the following year, whichever is less.		1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 2/1/2019 Hearing held.		

LB 280 Brewer	Change a penalty for violations of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act.		1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/7/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Placed on General File.		
LB 290 Linehan	Change the sales and use tax rate. New sales tax commencing 7/1/2020 no percent of sales tax stated in bill.		1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 2/1/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 305 Crawford	Adopt the Healthy and Safe Families and Workplaces Act. Domestic abuse, sexual assault, stalking whether a charge has been filed or conviction has been obtained mental or physical illness paid time off for employee or family member. Documentation may be required from employer after 3 consecutive days.		1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held. 3/7/2019 Placed on General File with AM592.		

<p>LB 306 Crawford</p>	<p>Change provisions relating to good cause for voluntarily leaving employment under the Employment Security Law. Includes persons leaving employment to care for a family member with a serious health condition. This pertains to unemployment benefits. Advanced with AM71. Adds language which the employee made all reasonable efforts to preserve employment but voluntarily leaves employment for the purpose of caring.</p>		<p>1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 1/28/2019 Hearing Held. 1/31/2019 Placed on General File. 2/7/2019 Advanced to Select File with AM71. 2/22/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 3/1/2019 Failed on Final Reading 20-15-14.</p>		
<p>LB 311 Crawford</p>	<p>Adopt the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act. Expands eligibility.</p>		<p>1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held. 3/7/2019 Placed on General File with AM570. 3/12/2019 Cavanaugh Priority Bill. 3/19/2019 Slama FA24 filed.</p>		

LB 314 Briese	Adopt the Remote Seller Sales Tax Collection Act and change revenue and taxation provisions.		1/16/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 2/14/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 342 La Grone	Change election provisions for the board of metropolitan utilities districts.		1/16/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/22/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Placed on General File.		
LB 364 Quick	Change provisions relating to a limit on fees under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act.		1/16/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 3/4/2019 Hearing Held.		

LB 374 Brewer	Provide for raptor permits for wildlife abatement.		1/16/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee. 2/27/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Placed on General File with AM335. 3/27/2019 Brewer AM980 filed.		
LB 413 Brandt	Change application submission deadlines under the Nebraska Advantage Act.		1/18/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 3/6/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 415 Friesen	Repeal recall provisions for political subdivisions.		1/18/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/13/2019 Hearing Held.		

LB 419 Bolz	Change the Nebraska Advantage Act and create a fund and grant program.		1/18/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 3/6/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 473 Dorn	Change revenue and taxation provisions relating to judgments against public corporations and political subdivisions, authorize certain loans, and provide powers and duties to the State Treasurer.		1/18/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 2/28/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 476 McCollister	Eliminate a sunset provision relating to certain retail sales of natural gas by a metropolitan utilities district.		1/18/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs. 2/26/2019 Hearing Held. 3/4/2019 Placed on General File.		
LB 507 Briese	Impose sales tax on certain services and eliminate sales tax exemptions.		1/22/2019 Introduced. 1/24/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 3/1/2019 Hearing Held.		

LB 508 Briese	Impose sales and use taxes on certain services, eliminate sales tax exemptions, and use the increased revenue for property tax credits.		1/22/2019 Introduced. 1/24/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 3/1/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 511 Brewer	Authorize adjustments to state employee work schedules to participate in approved youth mentoring programs		1/22/2019 Introduced. 1/4/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 2/14/2019 Hearing Held. 3/5/2019 Govt, Mil and VA Committee Priority Bill. 3/13/2019 Placed on General File with AM672. 3/25/2019 Advanced to Select File ER56. 4/11/2019 Brewer AM1113 filed. 5/15/2019 Hansen AM1843 filed. 5/22/2019 Advanced to Final Reading with ST27.		
LB 527 Bolz	Adopt the Customized Job Training Act		1/22/2019 Introduced. 1/24/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held.		

LB 549 Brandt	Provide for creation and maintenance of a geographic information system map as prescribed under the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act.		1/22/2019 Introduced. 1/24/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunication Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 604 Lindstrom	Authorize High-Wage Jobs and Capital Investment Creation Fund entities and provide grants, loans, and economic assistance to such entities. Would create the High-Wage Jobs and Capital Investment Creation Fund, provide incentives for the creation of jobs with hourly wage rates of at least 150%, 175% and 200% of the Nebraska minimum wage. Would also provide incentives for the employment of veterans, senior citizens, ex-offenders, citizens with disabilities, or any citizen concurrently enrolled in a HHS assistance program.		1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 605 Lindstrom	Adopt the Renewable Chemical Production Tax Credit Act.		1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 3/20/2019 Hearing Held.		
LB 724 Vargas	Provide requirements for boards of directors in order to qualify for incentives under the Nebraska Advantage Act.		1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 3/15/2019 Hearing Held.		

LB 731 Hunt	Change provisions relating to new or updated comprehensive plans adopted by municipalities		1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs. 3/5/2019 Hearing Held. 3/14/2019 Placed on General File with AM607.		
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Bills Passed and Signed by Governor

Priority Bills

LB 16 Briese	Provide for the withholding of records relating to certain critical infrastructure. Would provide for withholding of records relating to physical and cyber assets of critical energy infrastructure that if disclosed would create a threat to national security, public health or safety. Would also allow withholding of the identity of personnel whose primary job is physical or cyber security.	SUPPORT NPA SUPPORT	1/10/19 Introduced 1/14/2019 Govt, Military and VA 2/8/2019 Hearing Held. 2/12/2019 Placed on General File. 2/26/2019 Advanced to Select File. 3/7/2019 Briese AM636 Adopted. 3/12/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 3/21/2019 Approved by Governor.	SD-6 SD-12 SD-15	If enacted would protect the identity of OPPD's cyber security personnel and critical infrastructure. This bill would give protection of the identity of personnel not included in FERC regulations. Discussed support position Public Information Committee and January Board Committee Meeting Position letter was provided to the Committee. Senator Briese's amendment added "or energy" on page 1 line 15.
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LB 155 Brewer	<p>Eliminate authority for eminent domain by certain political subdivisions. Would eliminate the authority of eminent domain for transmission lines and related facilities for privately developed renewable energy generation facility.</p>	<p>OPPOSE NPA NEUTRAL NPPD NO POSITION OPPOSED TO AM1611</p>	<p>1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee. 2/7/2019 Hearing Held. 2/6/2019 Brewer Priority Bill. 2/14/2019 Placed on General File. 2/27/2019 Failed to Advance. 3/19/2019 Clements Priority Bill. 4/17/2019 AM1380 adopted. 4/23/2019 Advanced to Select File with ER89. 5/2/19 Advanced to E&R 5/7/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/8/2019 Wayne AM1611 filed. 5/13/2019 AM1611 withdrawn. 5/13/2019 Passed on Final Reading 44-0-5. 5/17/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>	<p>SD-7 SD-9 SD-11</p>	<p>Removes the ability to classify transmission and renewable energy facilities as public use. OPPD opposed similar legislation last year.</p> <p>Position letter was provided to the Committee.</p> <p>AM 1380 amendment would allow landowners the ability to contest the use of eminent domain by renewable energy developers using a rebuttable presumption. Public use language is still in the bill.</p> <p>AM1611 amendment modifies net metering requirements and OPPD is opposed to the amendment.</p>
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LB 184 Friesen	Adopt the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act. Would require the attachment of 5G wireless devices on utility poles. Public Power is excluded.	NEUTRAL	1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held. 3/19/2019 Transportation and Telecommunications Committee Priority Bill. 3/27/2019 Wayne MO35 Indefinitely postpone filed. 4/10/2019 Placed on General File with AM1252. 4/23/2019 Transportation and Telecommunications AM1252 adopted. 5/2/19 Advanced to E&R with AM1470. 5/7/2019 Advanced to Final Reading with ST22. Passed on Final Reading 44-0-5. 5/17/2019 Approved by Governor.	SD-6	Worked to get OPPD's standard operating procedure (need to have a master agreement which governs with wireless carriers). If this compromised language changes, OPPD would move to oppose the bill.
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<p>LB 218 Lindstrom</p>	<p>Redefine tangible personal property and gross receipts for tax purposes. Excludes electric generation, transmission, distribution and streetlights owned by political subdivisions from the definition of personal property.</p>	<p>SUPPORT NPA SUPPORT</p>	<p>1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee. 2/22/2019 Hearing Held. 3/13/2019 Placed on General File with AM536. 3/20/2019 Speaker Priority Bill. 3/27/2019 Advanced to Select File with ER60. 4/4/2019 Lindstrom AM1137 filed. 4/15/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/23/2019 Passed on Final Reading 48-0. 5/29/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>	<p>SD-2 SD-5</p>	<p>The Nebraska Revenue Department reclassified utility poles from real property to personal property which would create a financial impact to OPPD. Discussed support position Public Information Committee and January Board Committee Meeting.</p> <p>OPPD provided testimony and took a leadership role with the bill.</p>
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LB 302 Hughes	Merge the State Energy Office with and rename the Department of Environmental Quality.	SUPPORT	1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee. 1/30/2019 Hearing Held. 2/1/2019 Placed on General File. 2/13/2019 Advanced to Select File. 2/27/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 3/21/2019 Approved by Governor.	SD-7	<p>NEO will benefit from NDEQ's ability to provide administrative management support and assistance so staff can focus on the delivery of energy program services across the state. Delegation of the 404 permitting program would eliminate current overlap and duplication of effort between federal and state entities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · NDEQ already reviews many Section 404 applications under its existing 401 certification authority. Delegation would allow the agency to work directly with Nebraska Section 404 permit applicants rather than applicants working directly with U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. <p>Position letter was provided to the Committee.</p>
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LB 307 Albrecht	<p>Change provisions relating to certain Department of Environmental Quality Funds. Updates state statute with current federal statutes to allow the transfer of money between the two State Revolving Funds (SRF) (Drinking Water and Clean Water). The Drinking Water SRF is used for public water supply systems. The Clean Water SRF is used for wastewater treatment systems. It also provides flexibility in the programs so that funds may be available where needed and will allow the program to maximize its resources to assist as many communities as possible.</p>	<p>SUPPORT</p>	<p>1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Natural Resources. 1/31/2019 Hearing Held. 2/1/2019 Placed on General File. 2/13/2019 Advanced to Select File. 2/27/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 3/7/2019 Passed on Final Reading 45-0-4. 3/12/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>	<p>SD-7</p>	<p>May be helpful for OPPD as we look to decommission and deconstruct the sanitary lagoons at Fort Calhoun Station in coming years.</p> <p>Position letter was provided to the Committee.</p>
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<p>LB 462 Friesen</p>	<p>Change provisions of the One-Call Notification System Act. Requires locators to be licensed by the State Fire Marshal. Creates a violation not to exceed \$500 for unlicensed locators. Gives the one call board authority to propose all rules and regulations, hire and retain staff and contract with the State Fire Marshal, appoints a dispute resolution board and determines parameters of cases the dispute resolution board shall hear. Transfers authority for rules and regulations from the State Fire Marshal to the one call board.</p>	<p>NEUTRAL NEUTRAL IF AM1568 AND AM1670 ADOPTED</p>	<p>1/18/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 2/11/2019 Hearing Held. 3/19/2019 Transportation and Telecommunications Priority Bill. 5/1/2019 Placed on General File with AM1568. 5/8/2019 Friesen AM1670 filed. 5/9/2019 Friesen AM1736 filed. 5/16/2019 Friesen AM1736 adopted. 5/16/2019 Hilgers AM1837 adopted. 5/22/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/30/2019 Signed by Governor.</p>	<p>SD-6</p>	<p>OPPD' s Claims department investigates all damages to OPPD utilities. Creating a third party entity to solve claims would create settlement costs. We do not feel there is a need for a Dispute Resolution Board. OPPD does not believe licensing locators are needed in Nebraska and current law sufficiently covers underground utility locating accuracy. The costs to implement this bill will be recovered in the ticket charge paid by member utilities. This will increase costs for OPPD. AM1568 took out the dispute resolution board, and third party entity for claims, as well as other concerns OPPD had. AM1670 would take out sec. 13 on damages. If both of these amendments are accepted OPPD will be neutral on the bill. OPPD with others asked for Section 13 to be taken out.</p>
<p>Bills of Significant Interest (MONITOR)</p>					

LB 65 Groene	Authorize a licensing exception under the State Electrical Act. Directional boring must be done under the supervision of a licensed electrician.	MONITOR	1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to General Affairs Committee. 1/28/2019 Hearing held. 1/31/2019 Placed on General File. 2/7/2019 Advanced to Select File. 2/19/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 3/1/2019 Passed on Final Reading 44-0-5. 3/7/2019 Approved by Governor.	SD-6	
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LB 96 Wayne	Change local building code provisions. Counties, cities and villages shall adopt a building code within 2 years or the state building code shall apply.	MONITOR	1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 2/12/2019 Hearing Held. 3/4/2019 Placed on General File with AM497. 3/20/2019 Speaker Priority Bill. 4/23/2019 Urban Affairs AM497 adopted. 4/30/2019 Advanced to Select File with ER93. 5/7/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/13/2019 Passed on Final Reading 39-0-10. 5/17/2019 Approved by Governor.	SD-6	
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LB 212 Govt Military VA	<p>Change requirements for videoconferencing and telephone conferencing under the Open Meetings Act. Bill applies to organizations created under the Interlocal Cooperation Act that sells electricity in multiple states. Would change the meeting timeframe from 2 to 5 hours. Only requires one meeting each calendar year to be held in person and may designate a nonvoting designee to be included as part of the quorum.</p>	<p>MONITOR NPA SUPPORT</p>	<p>1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA Committee. 1/15/2019 Kolowski name added. 2/6/2019 Hearing Held. 2/22/2019 Placed on General File with AM 380. 3/20/2019 Speaker Priority Bill. 4/3/2019 Govt, Military and VA AM380 adopted. 4/5/2019 Advanced to Select file with ER63. 4/15/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 4/18/2019 Passed on Final Reading 49-0-0. 4/24/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>	<p>SD-13</p>	<p>This bill was introduced for MEAN-NMPP Energy. The utility serves nearly 200 member communities in six Midwest and Rocky Mountain states. The board consists of 60 directors. Due to the large territory, it is sometimes difficult to gather a quorum for important voting purposes. This bill would allow for video conferencing.</p>
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LB 348 Quick	Adopt changes to the state building code. Upgrades building codes to 2018.	MONITOR	1/16/2019 Introduced. 1/18/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 2/12/2019 Hearing Held. 2/22/2019 Placed on General File. 3/25/2019 Advanced to Select File. 4/11/2019 Passed on Final Reading 41-6-2. 4/17/2019 Approved by Governor.	SD-6	
LB 405 Hunt	Adopt updates to building and energy codes. Allows Counties, cities or villages to adopt a local energy code.	MONITOR	1/17/2019 Introduced. 1/22/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 2/12/2019 Hearing Held. 2/22/2019 Placed on General File. 3/25/2019 Advanced to Select File. 4/25/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/8/2019 Approved by Governor.	SD-7	
Bills of General Interest					

LB 11 Blood	<p>Provide for interlocal agreements regarding nuisances. Allows cities or villages to enter into an interlocal agreement with a county in which the zoning jurisdiction is with the city or village to abate, remove or prevent nuisances. The governing body of the city or village and county board shall first approve agreement by ordinance or resolution.</p>		<p>1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA. 1/16/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs. 1/29/2019 Hearing held. 1/30/2019 Placed on General File. 2/5/2019 Advanced to Select File. 2/19/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 3/1/2019 Passed on Final Reading. 3/7/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>		
LB 23 Kolterman	<p>Change the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act. Would include the remaining useful life to the energy project for financing purposes. The remaining useful life must be at least 10 years at the time of acquisition, installation, or modification. Adds water to the criteria for energy projects.</p>		<p>1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 2/5/2019 Hearing Held. 3/20/2019 Placed on General File with AM795. 4/9/2019 Advanced to Select File. 4/24/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/1/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>		

<p>LB 124 Crawford</p>	<p>Change provisions relating to jointly created clean energy assessment districts under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act. Allows municipalities to enter into interlocal agreements for jointly create, administer or create and administer clean energy assessment districts. The districts boundaries may overlap.</p>		<p>1/10/2019 Introduced. 1/14/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 2/5/2019 Hearing Held. 2/8/2019 Placed on General File. 2/21/2019 Advanced to Select File. 3/6/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 3/21/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>		
<p>LB 217 Pansing Brooks</p>	<p>Prohibit retaliation against employees for communicating about wages. Prevents employers from firing an employee for discussing disclosed comparative compensation information while determining equal pay for equal work. Does not apply to employees who have access to employees wage information as a part of a job function. These individuals cannot release information unless in response to an investigation, proceeding or hearing.</p>		<p>1/11/2019 Introduced. 1/15/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 2/11/2019 Hearing Held. 2/21/2019 Placed on General File with AM387. 3/19/2019 Placed on Select File with ER49. 3/28/2019 Hansen AM946 filed. 4/4/2019 Placed on Final Reading with ST13. 4/11/2019 Passed on Final Reading 46-1-2. 4/17/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>		

<p>LB 268 Friesen</p>	<p>Change provisions relating to a certificate of convenience and necessity for a telecommunication company. (Broadband)</p>		<p>1/15/2019 Introduced. 1/17/2019 Referred to Trans and Tele Committee. 2/19/2019 Hearing Held. 3/19/2019 Hughes Priority Bill. 3/20/2019 Placed on General File. 4/8/2019 Advanced to Select File. 4/15/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 4/24/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>		
<p>LB 524 Dorn</p>	<p>Change provisions relating to annexations under the Nebraska Budget Act</p>		<p>1/22/2019 Introduced. 1/24/2019 Referred to Govt, Military and VA. 2/28/2019 Hearing Held. 3/13/2019 Placed on General File. 3/20/2019 Speaker Priority Bill. 3/28/2019 Wayne FA39 filed. 4/11/2019 Advanced to Select File. 4/25/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/8/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>		

LB 622 Williams	Change provisions and provide for pooled collateral under the Public Funds Deposit Security Act.		1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/23/2019 Referred to Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee. 2/4/2019 Hearing Held. 2/5/2019 Placed on General File. 2/19/2019 Advanced to Select File. 3/5/2019 Placed on Final Reading. 3/7/2019 Passed on Final Reading 45-0-4. 3/12/2019 Approved by Governor.		
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LB 641
McDonnell

<p>Provide for grants under the Telecommunication Relay System Act for a 211 Information and Referral Network. Would create and provide a grant of \$300,000 for a 211 Information and Referral Network which would provide information to the public for available health and human services provided by public and private entities throughout the state. The grant would be funded from monthly surcharges on telephone services including wireless services. The grant funds could be used to create and maintain a website to direct the public to the health and human services.</p>		<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. 2/19/2019 Hearing Held. 3/19/2019 McDonnell Priority Bill. 3/21/2019 Placed on General File with AM724. 4/11/2019 Transportation and Telecommunications AM724 adopted. 4/15/2019 Advanced to Select File with ER83. 4/24/2019 Advanced to Final Reading with ST17. 5/29/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>	<p>SD-5 SD-10</p>	
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<p>LB 698 Bostelman</p>	<p>Change load provisions and penalties for commercial motor vehicles and commercial trailers. Requires cargo on commercial motor vehicles and trailers to be properly distributed and adequately secured. In lieu of a citation to the operator, the Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety may assess the owner of the vehicle a civil penalty of \$1000 for each violation. The definition of commercial vehicle in Statute 60-316 excludes public power districts motor vehicles.</p>		<p>1/23/2019 Introduced. 1/25/2019 Referred to Tran and Tele Committee. 2/26/2019 Hearing Held. 3/14/2019 Placed on General File with AM554. 3/19/2019 Bostelman Priority Bill. 4/4/2019 Bostelman AM911 filed. 4/11/2019 Advanced to Select File. 4/24/2019 Advanced to Final Reading. 5/1/2019 Approved by Governor.</p>		
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OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT
Legislative Resolutions – Interim Studies
December 2019

Bill No.	Explanatory Notes	Status
LR 65 Kolterman	Interim study to provide for presentation of reports by all political subdivisions with underfunded defined benefit plans.	4/2/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Nebr Retirement Committee. 11/19/2019 Hearing held.
LR 96 Slama	Interim study to examine the long-term public power generation and transmission options in the state.	4/29/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee.
LR 112 Urban Affairs	Interim study to examine the statutes governing cities of the primary class.	5/7/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee.
LR 119 Urban Affairs	Interim study to examine issues related to the disconnection or detachment of territory from the corporate limits of municipalities.	5/10/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 10/4/2019 Hearing held Warner Chamber Lincoln.
LR 131 Wayne	Interim study to examine issues related to the regulation of solar energy by municipalities and sanitary improvement districts.	5/13/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 10/22/2019 Hearing held So Sioux City, City Hall.
LR 138 McDonnell	Interim study to identify for adoption by the Legislature three to five infrastructure project opportunities in eastern Nebraska to provide flood control, a reliable drinking water supply, power generation, climate change mitigation, and recreation.	5/15/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee. Hearing held 12/6/2019.

Bill No.	Explanatory Notes	Status
LR 140 Kolowski	Interim study to examine the roles and guidelines of homeowners' associations.	5/15/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee. 10/16/2019 Hearing held Metropolitan Community College South Omaha.
LR 143 Albrecht	Interim study to examine the laws for accounting and financial reporting in political subdivisions to determine a more uniform method of reporting.	5/16/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Government, Military and VA Committee.
LR 145 Hunt	Interim study to examine the financing of energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements on single-family residential property under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act.	5/16/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Urban Affairs Committee.
LR 166 Friesen	Interim study to review the report of the Rural Broadband Task Force that was created by LB 994, 2018.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Trans and Tele Committee. 12/4/2019 Hearing scheduled Lincoln.
LR 168 Friesen	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Trans and Tele Committee.
LR 169 Friesen	Interim study to examine issues raised by LB462, 2019, and examine potential improvements to the enforcement of the One-Call Notification System Act.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Trans and Tele Committee.
LR 175 Cavanaugh	Interim study to ensure accelerated broadband deployment statewide.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Trans And Tele Committee. 12/4/2019 Hearing cancelled.

Bill No.	Explanatory Notes	Status
LR 186 McDonnell	Interim study to examine the potential elimination of exemptions for goods and services under sales and use tax laws.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee.
LR 192 Bolz	Interim study to examine workforce development initiatives with emphasis on hearing the perspectives of employees across industries.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Business and Labor Committee. 12/12/2019 Hearing held.
LR 207 Briese	Interim study to examine the possible elimination of various exemptions of goods and exclusions of services under Nebraska's sales and use tax laws.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Revenue Committee.
LR 210 Stinner	Interim study to analyze programs and agencies that are active in addressing workforce and talent shortages and identify options to assist in filling vacant high-wage, high-demand, and high-skill jobs.	5/21/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Appropriations Committee. 9/27/2019 Hearing held.
LR 227 Bostelman	Interim study to examine the future of nuclear-generated electricity in Nebraska.	5/22/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Natural Resources Committee.
LR 231 Briese	Interim study to examine whether electrician licensing requirements and building regulations need to be changed to support economic development.	5/22/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to General Affairs Committee. 10/15/2019 Hearing held.
LR 241 Pansing Brooks	Interim study to create a select committee to develop an environmental action plan for the state, including assessments of vulnerability, risks, economic impacts, and mitigation strategies.	5/22/2019 Introduced. 5/24/2019 Referred to Executive Board.



Reporting Item

January 14, 2020

ITEM

Power with Purpose Report

PURPOSE

Provide updates on the solar and gas Request for Proposal (RFP) process for Power with Purpose.

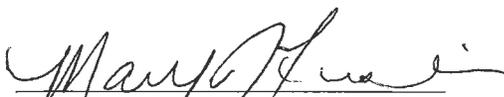
SOLAR FACTS

- Supply Chain Management has engaged with 48 vendors around the solar RFP.
- Thirty-four (34) vendors executed a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) and received the solar RFP to date.
- OPPD awarded a contract to Burns & McDonnell to serve as Owner's Engineer to support technical evaluation of solar bids through the RFP process on December 16, 2019.
- Intent to Bid forms were due on December 27, 2019.
- RFP due date extended by one week to January 29, 2020.

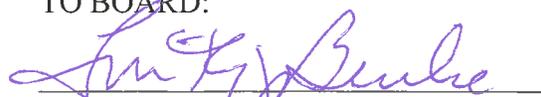
GAS FACTS

- RFP issued for Owner's Engineer professional services to six qualified engineering firms on December 6, 2019. Bids are due back to OPPD on January 17, 2020.
- Five (5) Owner Engineer presentations outlining engineering firm capabilities and their ability to meet RFP requirements were completed during the week of December 16, 2019. The sixth firm declined the invitation to present.
- Gas technology vendor workshops are scheduled for the weeks of January 6, 2020 and January 13, 2020.

RECOMMENDED:


Mary J. Fisher

APPROVED FOR REPORTING
TO BOARD:


Timothy J. Burke

MJF: cpk

Information as of December 31, 2019



Power with Purpose Progress Update

January 14, 2020



December 2019 Progress – Solar

- Supply Chain Management has engaged with 48* vendors
- 34* vendors executed a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) and received the Request for Proposal (RFP)
- Awarded professional services contract for solar Owner's Engineer
- Vendors submitted 55 questions in writing, which have been answered in five Letters of Clarification (LOC)
- Vendor questions and Notice of Intent to Bid were due by December 27
- Amended RFP timeline

Schedule Item	Milestone (Past/Future)
RFP Issue Date	November 15, 2019
Pre-bid Webinar	November 26, 2019
Notice of Intent to Bid Due	December 27, 2019
Vendor Questions Due	December 27, 2019
Proposal Due Date	January 29, 2020
Proposal Evaluations & Modeling	February – March 2020

**Information as of December 31, 2019*

December 2019 Progress – Natural Gas

- Owner's Engineer professional services Request for Proposal issued to six engineering firms on December 6, with bids due back on January 17
- Five Owner's Engineer presentations on vendor capabilities completed week of December 16. Sixth firm declined the invitation to present
- Gas technology vendor workshops scheduled January 6 – 17

Next Steps: January – February

January

- Review natural gas Owner's Engineer proposals
- Solar proposals due
- Award natural gas Owner's Engineer professional services contract

February

- Review solar proposals
- Onboard natural gas Owner's Engineer
- Input solar proposal information into economic and transmission models
- Evaluate infrastructure expansion needs for potential sites
- Begin writing Request for Proposal for gas assets



DRAFT Agenda

OPPD BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.

Preliminary Items

1. Safety Briefing
2. Chair Opening Statement
3. Roll Call
4. Announcement regarding public notice of meeting

Board Consent Action Items

5. Approval of the November 2019 Comprehensive Financial and Operating Report, December 2019 Meeting Minutes and the January 16, 2020 Agenda
6. SD-6: Safety Monitoring Report – Resolution No. 6356
7. Spring 2020 Fiber Optic Ground Wire Installations – Resolution No. 6357
8. Engineer's Certification – Nebraska City Station Unit 2 Distributed Control System Evergreen Upgrade Contract – Resolution No. 6358
9. Engineer's Certification – Nebraska City Station Unit 2 Steam Turbine Generator Controls Migration Contract – Resolution No. 6359

Board Discussion Action Items

10. [TBD]

Other Items

11. President's Report
12. Board Officer Elections
13. Opportunity for comment on other items of District business
14. Adjournment

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