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Question:

- a) When is the Collins project expected to be taken off the Projects of Concern list?
- b) What benchmarks are ASC currently using with respect to efficiency and effectiveness in sustaining and maintaining the Collins program?

Answer:

- a) This is a question that should be referred to the Department of Defence.
- b) ASC monitors performance through a series of mechanisms. At the project level, performance against cost, quality and schedule is monitored via an Earned Value Management System (EVMS). In order to validate performance and identify blockages, an audit program of activity monitoring is undertaken.

During 2012, the ASC Scorecard is being implemented at ASC. This deploys a series of metrics that will be integrated with respective managers' performance evaluation.