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Production, Planning & Control Project Approved

Approval has now been given to commence the implementation phase of the Production Planning & Control (PP&C) project. PP&C is a key enabler for Heavy Maintenance to meet its transformation targets and for workshops to meet their cost and turn-time targets.

The main objective of the project is to source and implement production planning software for key Maintenance Services business units including Brisbane and Victoria Heavy Maintenance, Engine Maintenance and Component Maintenance Services.

The chosen development product is *Maintenix*, which is widely regarded as the best aviation maintenance planning software on the market.

The project team completed the analysis phase in January of this year, with the conceptual design in May. They will now focus their attention on establishing a detailed functional design, which will culminate in a pilot program in Victoria Heavy Maintenance in December.

Assuming a successful pilot, implementation to the remaining business areas will follow.

The core project team consists of a number of business representatives including Marc Bou Nader, Gopal Chaturvedi, Simon Fernley-Jones, Steve Janes and Jeff Muscat from Qantas IT, Tony Vardouniotis, Chris Cieslak from Heavy Maintenance, Kevin Fisher from Engine Maintenance, Alan Vaughan from Component Maintenance Services and Siegfried Clever and Stephen Robinson from the Jetsmart project. This group is being supported by local Heavy Maintenance representatives including Greg Weir and Ian Kennedy in Brisbane, Gavin Arnott and Joe Salik in Melbourne, Dave Kemp in Avalon and Paul Pana in Sydney.

An important parallel project under the guidance of Michael O'Donnell from Heavy Maintenance Commercial Planning is Task Card Data* cleansing. For the PP&C project to be a success it is vital that the data is as accurate as possible and as such Michael will work with the PP&C Project team and relevant business areas to ensure that this is the case.

For more information on the PP&C Project, please contact Jetsmart Project Manager Steve Robinson on ext 28243.

* A Task Card states the processes that must be undertaken in performing maintenance work on an aircraft engine or component to ensure compliance is maintained with regulators such as CASA and Qantas policies and procedures. They contain information such as sequence of events, maintenance manual references, materials, tooling and man-hours required for each task.