

1 **Re: Page B-54, Upgrade Ambient Monitoring Station, \$127,600.**

2 Q. What reasons have been determined for the decreased availability of each
3 site that is less than 95%?

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6 A. Currently no ambient monitoring sites are demonstrating availability of less
7 then 95%. Replacement parts are becoming harder to source, which is
8 typical of sophisticated electronic equipment when it reaches an age of 12 to
9 15 years. Replacement is required to ensure that high availability can be
10 maintained.