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Follow-up correspondence from the Finance and Administration Cabinet Commonwealth Office of Technology

At the June 23, 2021 Capital Planning Advisory Board meeting, LRC staff reported an amendment to the Finance and Administration Cabinet's six-year capital plan. The project scope for the eMars Upgrade and System Enhancements project increased from \$9 to \$14 million. A question was raised as to whether the increase in project scope would affect how COT scored the project during its review of executive branch IT capital projects.

The attached response is provided from Teresa Lajara, Executive Director, Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, Finance and Administration Cabinet.

BOARD ACTION: Information only. No action is required.

From: Lajara, Teresa (Finance) <teresa.lajara@ky.gov>

Sent: Monday, July 12, 2021 2:51 PM

To: Bowen, Shawn (LRC); Webber, Cecilia (COT) **Subject:** RE: Follow-up from Capital Planning Meeting

Afternoon—below is the response from COT:

Considering the additional spending request was for a relatively low risk application, it may have enhanced the score and is not likely to have lowered the score. Otherwise, for the enterprise, we do believe it is a high value project (both as scoped at \$9 mil and \$14 mil) and was therefore included in the CIO Additional Priority IT Project Recommendations.

Please let us know if you need anything else.

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From: Bowen, Shawn (LRC)

Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2021 8:39 AM

To: Webber, Cecilia (COT) < cecilia.webber2@ky.gov> **Subject:** Follow-up from Capital Planning Meeting

Good Morning Cecilia,

At the June 23 Capital Planning meeting, we reported that the project scope for the eMars Upgrade and System Enhancements project increased from \$9 million to \$14 million. During discussion of the COT IT project recommendations, Senator Southworth asked Ms. Day if this change will affect how COT scored the project. Could you please provide a response to this question so we may share it with the members at the July 21 meeting.

Please let me know if you have any questions. We appreciate COT's help during the planning period, I know a lot of effort goes into reviewing the IT projects for us.

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Shawn Bowen

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