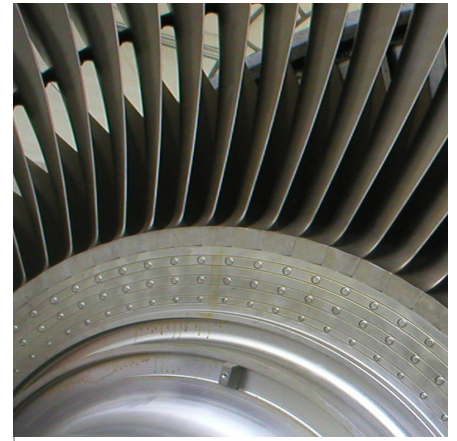


MAJOR MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

EL PASO ENERGY INTERNATIONAL
MANAUS, BRAZIL



DESCRIPTION:

El Paso Energy International, through its subsidiary company El Paso Energia Amazonas Ltda, owns a power facility in Manaus, Brazil which provides a substantial portion of the power to this city of over 2 million people.

El Paso has a desire to provide the power in a very reliable and economical method to fulfill its contractual obligation and as a business enterprise. The facility has a capacity of 24 MW, a major portion of which is generated by two GE Frame 7 gas turbine generator units.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

El Paso Energy International awarded NAES a long-term contract to provide technical and mechanical services for two GE Frame 7 gas turbine generator units. NAES was chosen due to its highly trained, quality personnel and long history of maintaining GE equipment.

The project has two elements:

- Major maintenance
- Predictive maintenance program with a full time engineer assigned to the plant

The major maintenance program consists of the following services for GE Frame 7 gas turbine generator units:

- Borescope inspections
- Combustion inspections
- Hot gas path inspections
- Major inspection
- Managing parts, repair and procurement
- Provide recommended spare parts lists (RSPL) for the two units

NAES uses data in its predictive maintenance program to avoid unscheduled outages and to determine inspection cycles. These services allow El Paso to extend the cycles between OEM fired-hour recommendations for significant cost savings.

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