



Give us three days and get thousands of staff hours in return.

OUTAGE!—The Planning & Scheduling Experience

Now, more than ever, your maintenance team is expected to increase effectiveness and performance with fewer members. This isn't a momentary staff crisis. It's the reality of doing business in a new economy. **But, there is a solution.**



With effective planning and scheduling, 30 maintenance technicians can yield the effect of 47. And, thousands of staff hours can be harvested from non-value-added activities. GP Strategies™ can show you how.

Play the game.

OUTAGE!—The Planning & Scheduling Experience from GP Strategies is a unique, interactive simulation game that replicates a real maintenance outage with the typical problems of parts, workforce constraints, quality control concerns, contractor issues, scheduling dilemmas, work orders, safety, risk assessments and more. The game is fun; yet it drives foundational concepts and meaningful approach strategies, and it reinforces planning and scheduling concepts and best practices.

Facilitated by GP Strategies, **OUTAGE!** becomes a profound learning experience that provides the skills and understanding your maintenance team needs to:

- Drive new improvements and behavioral changes
- Reinvigorate your planning and scheduling processes
- Understand the value of planning and scheduling
- Build respect and teamwork throughout your maintenance department
- Streamline workflow to produce more time for critical needs



is an exciting, interactive simulation replicating a real maintenance outage.



Gain thousands of staff hours for:

- Training
- Cross-training
- Reliability improvement
- Safety programs
- Spare parts management

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Careful planning, scheduling and coordination are required.

Nothing can be left to chance.



Reinforce critical lessons and best practices.

GP Strategies prepares your team for the **OUTAGE!** game with two days of engaging instruction and team-building exercises designed to reinforce maintenance planning and scheduling best practices. Participants prepare for **OUTAGE!** by leveraging critical lessons such as:

- The importance of work identification and scope control
- Critical path management and resource leveling
- Quality control and assurance of parts and work results
- The need for clarity and accuracy on work orders
- The importance of standards

Following an early morning readiness check on the final day, each team begins the countdown. Simulating a live shutdown, **OUTAGE!** pits team against team as they integrate work orders, parts, contractors, risks and emergencies within tight time constraints. Parts must be verified, kitted and staged. Nothing can be left to chance or costly consequences can occur, such as lengthy delays, re-work, downtime and overtime. The first team to complete the shutdown wins the **OUTAGE!** game.

Emphasize teamwork for profound results.

Effective planning can reduce backlogs, improve runtime, increase parts availability and optimize safety. But, planners can't do the job on their own. In a world-class environment, the entire maintenance organization—production, maintenance workers, supervisors, contractors, spare parts—contributes to the effectiveness of planning and scheduling.

Improve your maintenance performance with a leader.

GP Strategies is a global performance improvement company with over 45 years of experience in the maintenance, maintenance reliability and technical training arenas. To learn more about **OUTAGE!** or our proven ability to help you do more with less, visit our site at gpstrategies.com.

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