

**We conclude that there was no error in the board's assessment and approval of the project.** We first explain that the board's obligation is to balance the reliability, cost, and environmental impact of each proposal before it. No one factor is determinative, and the board has wide discretion to balance the factors from case to case to achieve its statutory mandate. Many of the petitioners' arguments are little more than disagreement with how the board interpreted its statutory mandate or balanced these considerations. **Our role is not to substitute our judgment or the petitioners' judgment for that of the board, however, and we see no legal basis for disturbing the board's careful and reasoned decision in this case. Accordingly, for the reasons described infra, we affirm the board's approval of the project.**