

# Minimizing the impact of Maintenance/Repair Day's on performance

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# What did we do differently:

- ✦ Utilized new methods outlined at RHIC Retreat 06.
  - Approval.
  - Ownership, outside agreement that maintained systems are operational.
  - Closeout, including operational test results and owner accord.
  - Documenting.
  - Post mortem.

# Job Request System

- ✦ Extensively used this year for the first time.
- ✦ Added features:
  - Job recollection for re-use.
  - May submit continuing/recurring jobs.
  - Emergent and failure modes added.
  - Template forum may be utilized for any job ever submitted.

# Scheduling effectiveness:

- ✦ Was successful for the injectors:
  - Accelerators were operational on or before schedule.
  - Impact of sweeps was minimal.
  - The test period for injectors following maintenance and accesses proved quite useful.
  - Structured evolution into and out of Maintenance successful.
    - ✦ Injector availability was markedly improved.

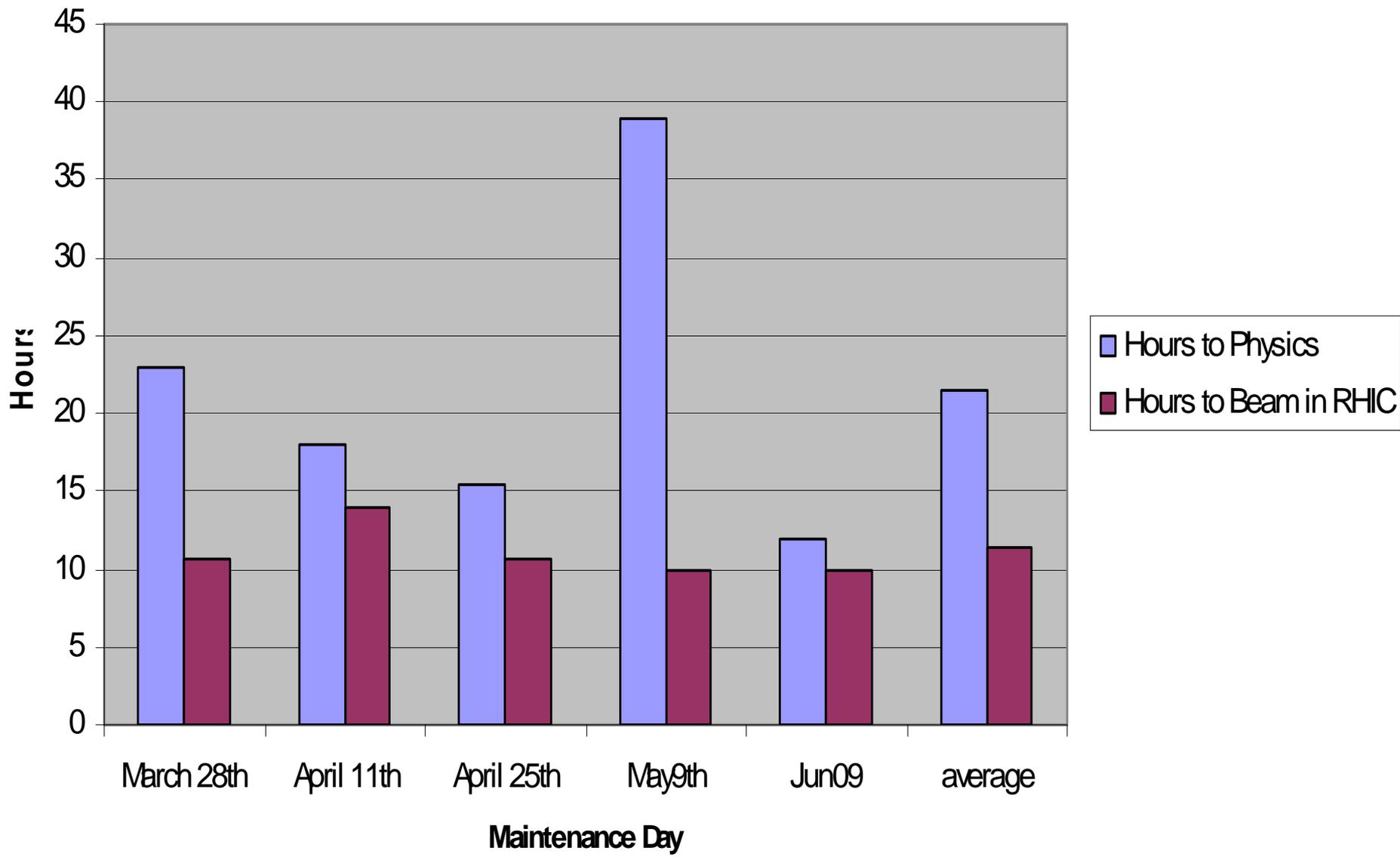
# Effectiveness of outside ownership and job closeout:

- ✦ Ownership had limited success:
  - Many jobs had 'Operations' as owner.
    - ✦ No different than before.
  - Limited manpower and availability for ownership.
    - ✦ Most owners also performing their maintenance own jobs.
- ✦ Job closeouts often hurried, delayed due to work volume and length.

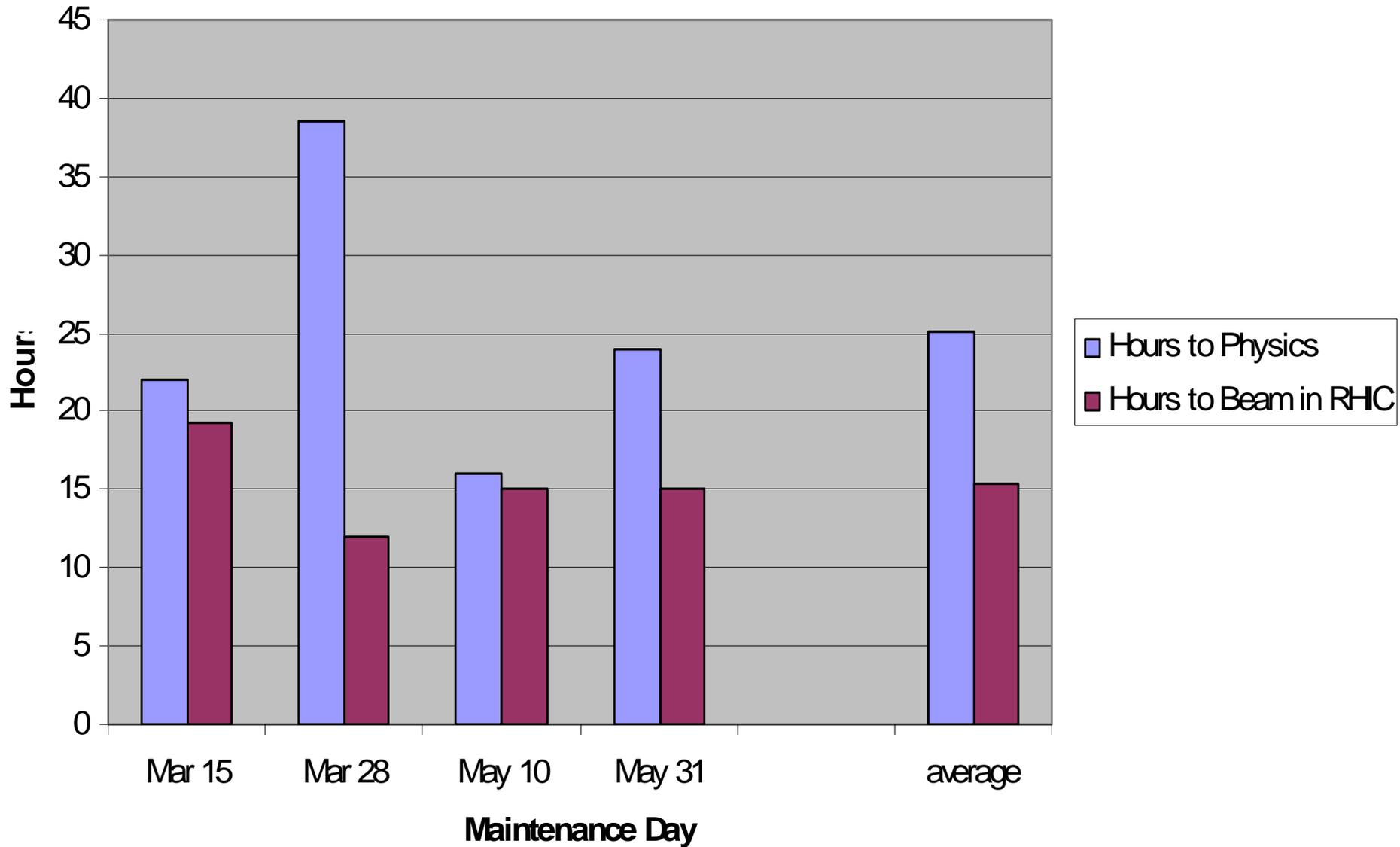
# Did it help?

- ◆ RHIC: some improvement:
  - Average 3+ hour less this year than last between start of maintenance and Physics running.
- ◆ Omitted from graphs: access on May 23, 2007 and the week following April 14, 2006.
  - May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007 was a repair period after which Physics was restored immediately for one store, but ensuing failures caused 18 additional hours of downtime.
  - April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006 RHIC was off for STAR disconnect failure investigation (~one week).

# Bottom Line 2007



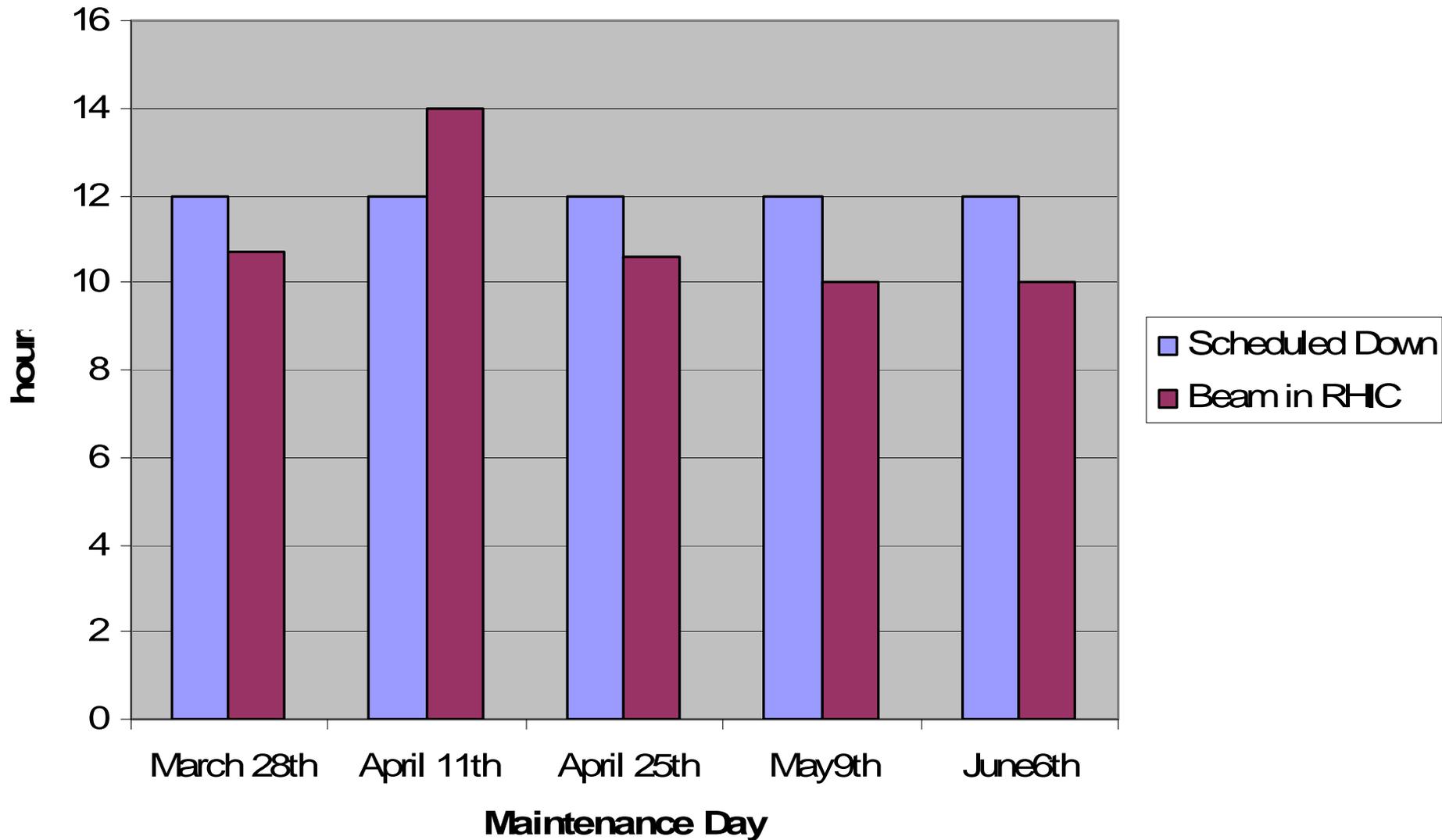
# BottomLine 2006



# Injectors:

- ✦ Were nearly always on or before schedule.
  - Except following the BTA QV3 breaker failure.
- ✦ Often ran programs during the maintenance day.
  - NSRL ran many days from 1100 hrs (only 4 hours total down for the Booster).

# Scheduled Maintenance to Beam in RHIC



# What Happened?



# Failures following Maintenance:

## ◆ March 28:

- ACS program problem in AtR and failed
- ACS failed relay.
- ACS 1Z1 discrepancy.
- RHIC Power supply failure.
- Quench detection.

## ◆ April 11:

- Failed bottle contactors found at AtR substation.
- ACS Panelview problem delayed sweeps.

## ◆ April 25:

- W arc 20 water problems.
- RHIC power supply.

# Failures continued

## ✦ May 9:

- BTA QV3 disconnect failure\*.
- Blue RF screen supply\*.
- BTA vacuum\*.
- RHIC Power Supply.
- Fire alarm at PHENIX\*.
- ODH alarm\*.

## ✦ May 23 (repair period- no Maintenance or development done):

- RHIC Power supplies.
- Failed breaker for RF system.
- RF low level power supply failure.

## ✦ June 6:

- RHIC Power Supplies.

\*not touched during Maintenance

# QA issues:

- ✦ March 2 Wrong BMMPS function loaded during test.
- ✦ March 28:
  - Loose connector for RF drive.
  - PLC power for Booster correctors
- ✦ April 11:
  - Permit for Stochastic coolers left on without authorization.
- ✦ April 25:
  - LEMO connectors for RHIC power supplies left off.
- ✦ May 09:
  - Bad MMPS supply installed at RHIC.
  - RF DSP card not booted properly.
  - BTA vacuum not noticed.

# Other delays

✦ PHENIX access April 11 (3hrs)



# What's the Problem?

- ✦ Overworked, undermanned.
  - Workforce is spread very thin.
  - Works very long hours.
  - Often get called back in early on day 2.
- ✦ Too much to do:
  - Left over items from setup and shutdown often put off 'till a Maintenance Day'.
  - New systems installation, testing and troubleshooting.
- ✦ Development and other programs running during Maintenance Days.
  - NSRL and or polarized proton setup ran most MDs. Causes distractions, uses up resources.

# How can we improve?

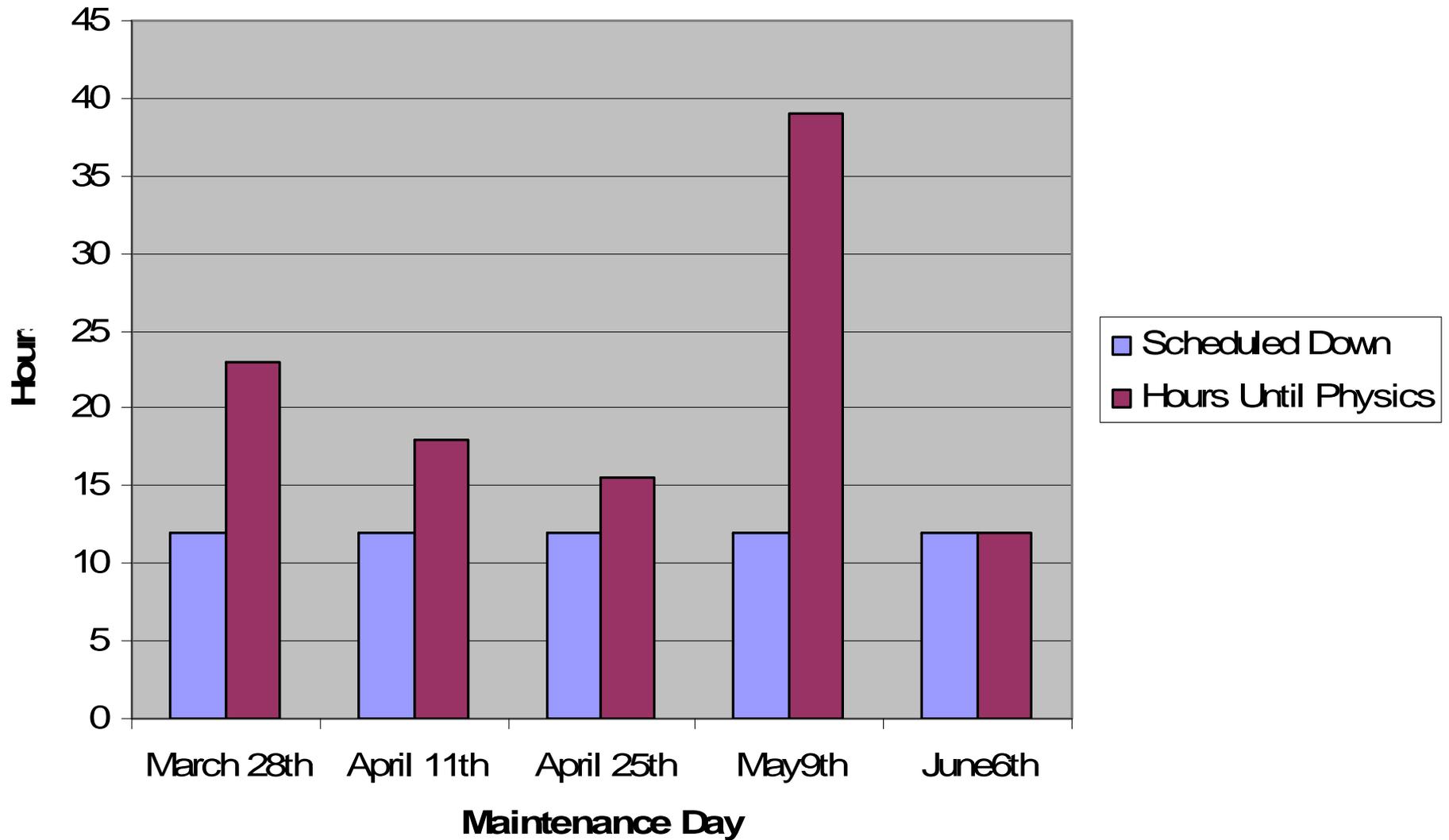
## ✦ Preventative Maintenance:

- Disconnects, substations: ongoing and during the shutdown.
- Power supply fixes.

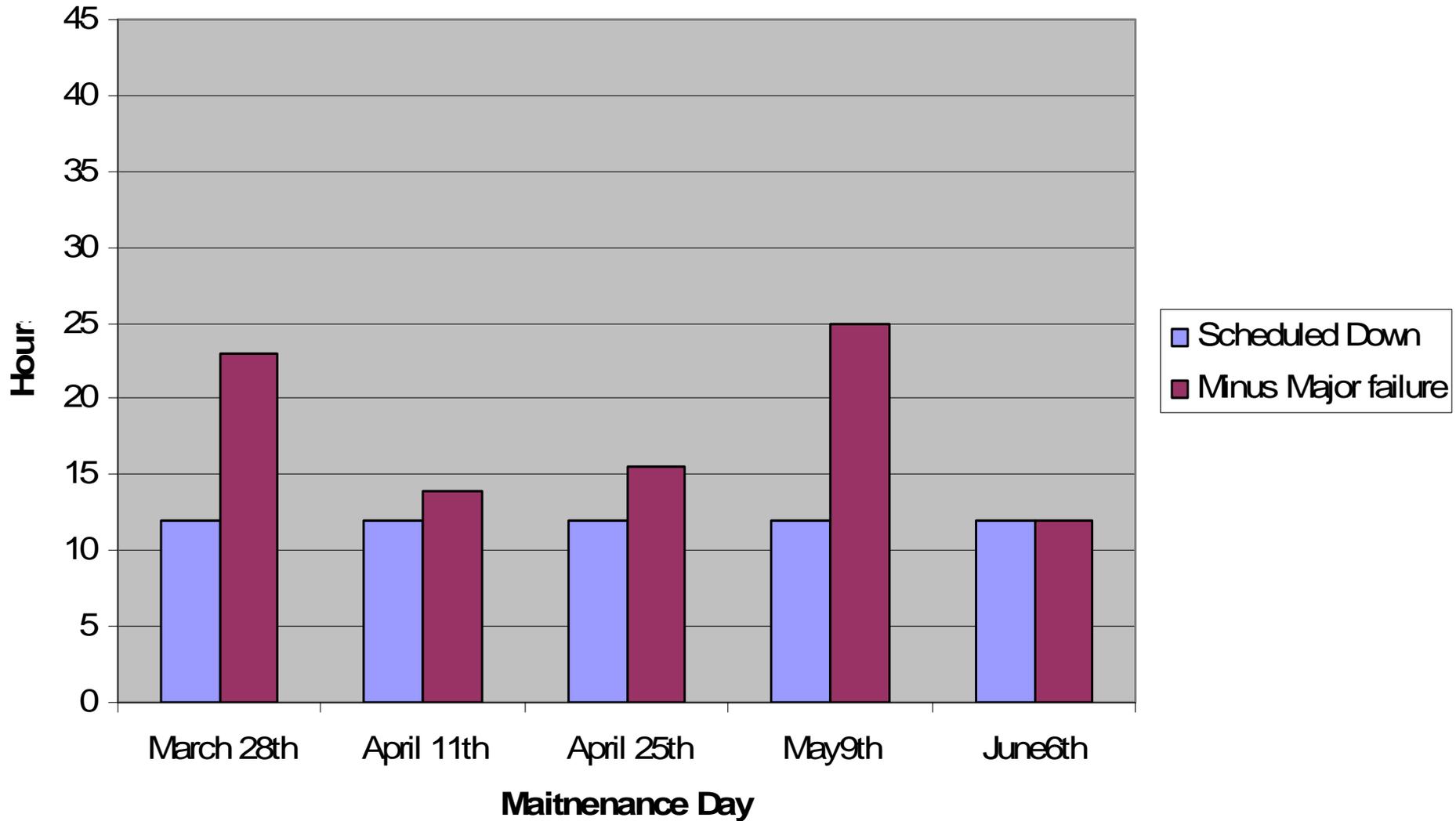
## ✦ Continue QA

- Plan work better.
- ✦ Job completion procedures/checklists?
- Stricter enforcement of ownership.
- Less setup and development work on Maintenance Days.

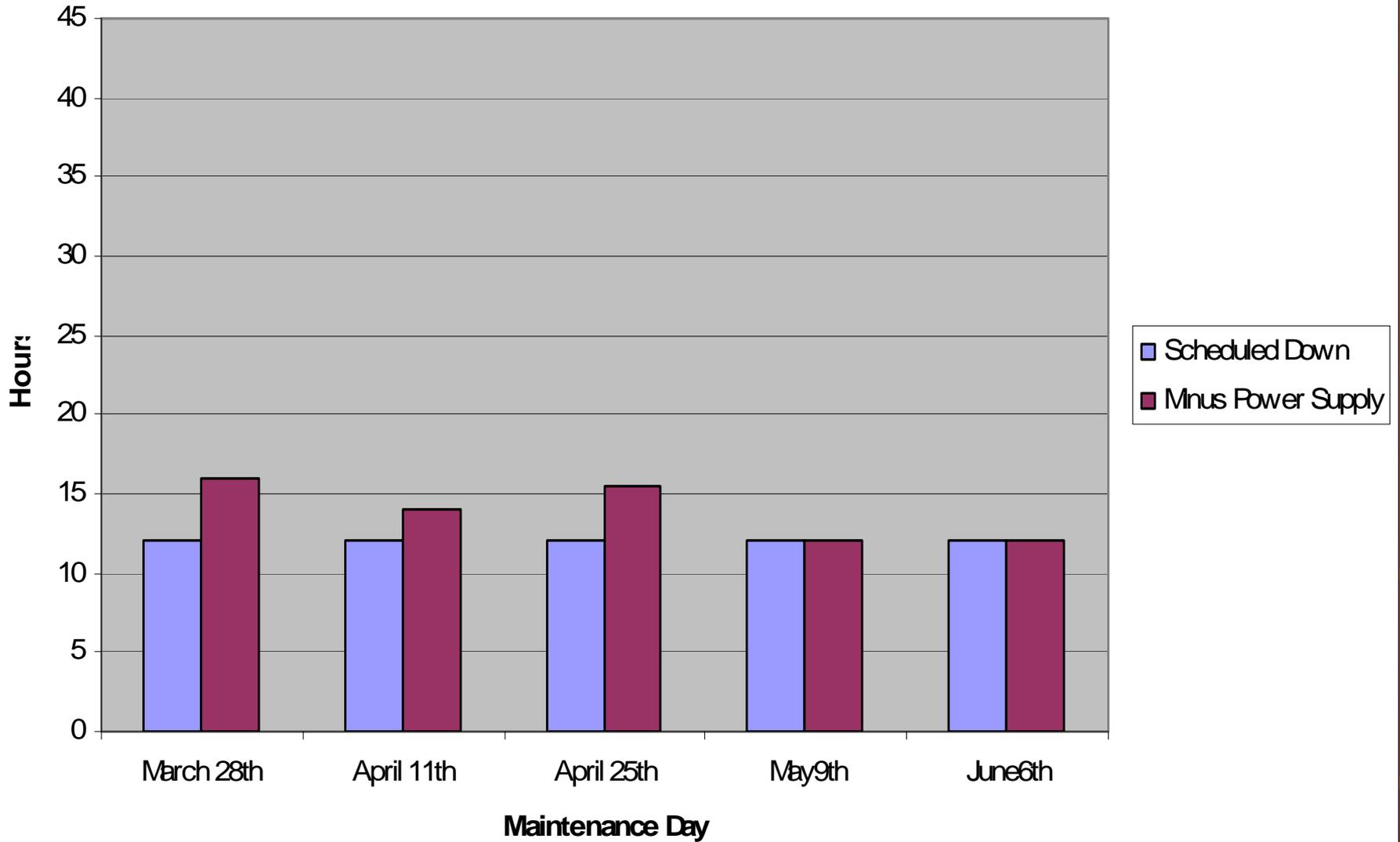
## BottomLine: APEX off to RHIC Physics



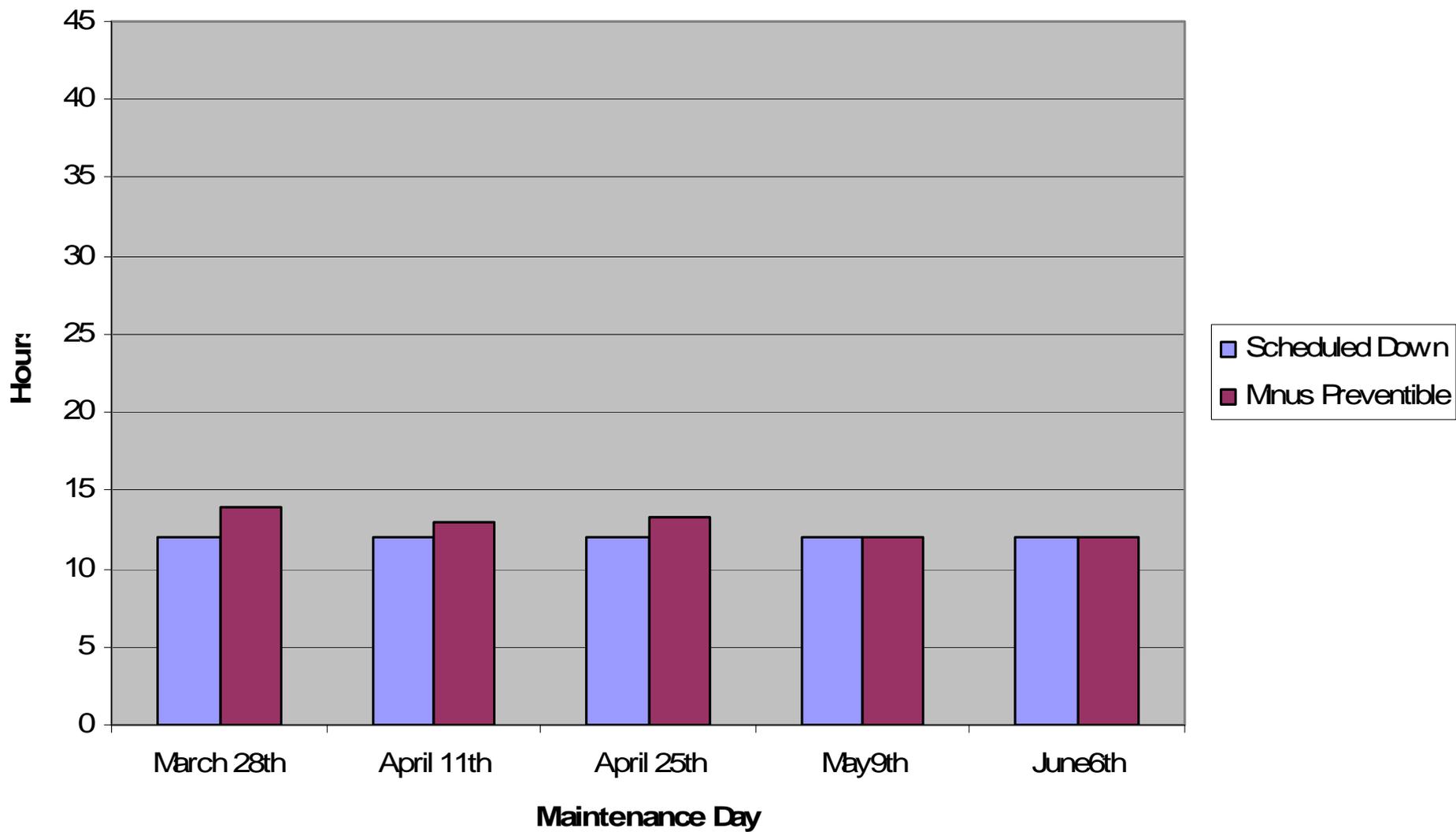
## Excluding FDS and Substation Failures



## Without Major Failure and Power Supply



# Without QA errors



# Unscheduled Maintenance?

- ✦ A schedule with jobs and urgencies is maintained.
  - Can be implemented following extended failures.
  - Will have personnel and beginning affects.
- ✦ More work 'Behind Stores'
  - May impact beam development.
  - Resulting failures may impact availability.

# What about a Hybrid maintenance schedule?

✦ Floating access periods dedicated to repairs.

- Shorter in duration.
- Fewer Jobs.
- No new installation or test setups.
- 24-48 hour notice to workers and experimenters.

✦ Development days:

- Less frequent.
- Longer in duration and setup.
- Higher potential for failures/problems.