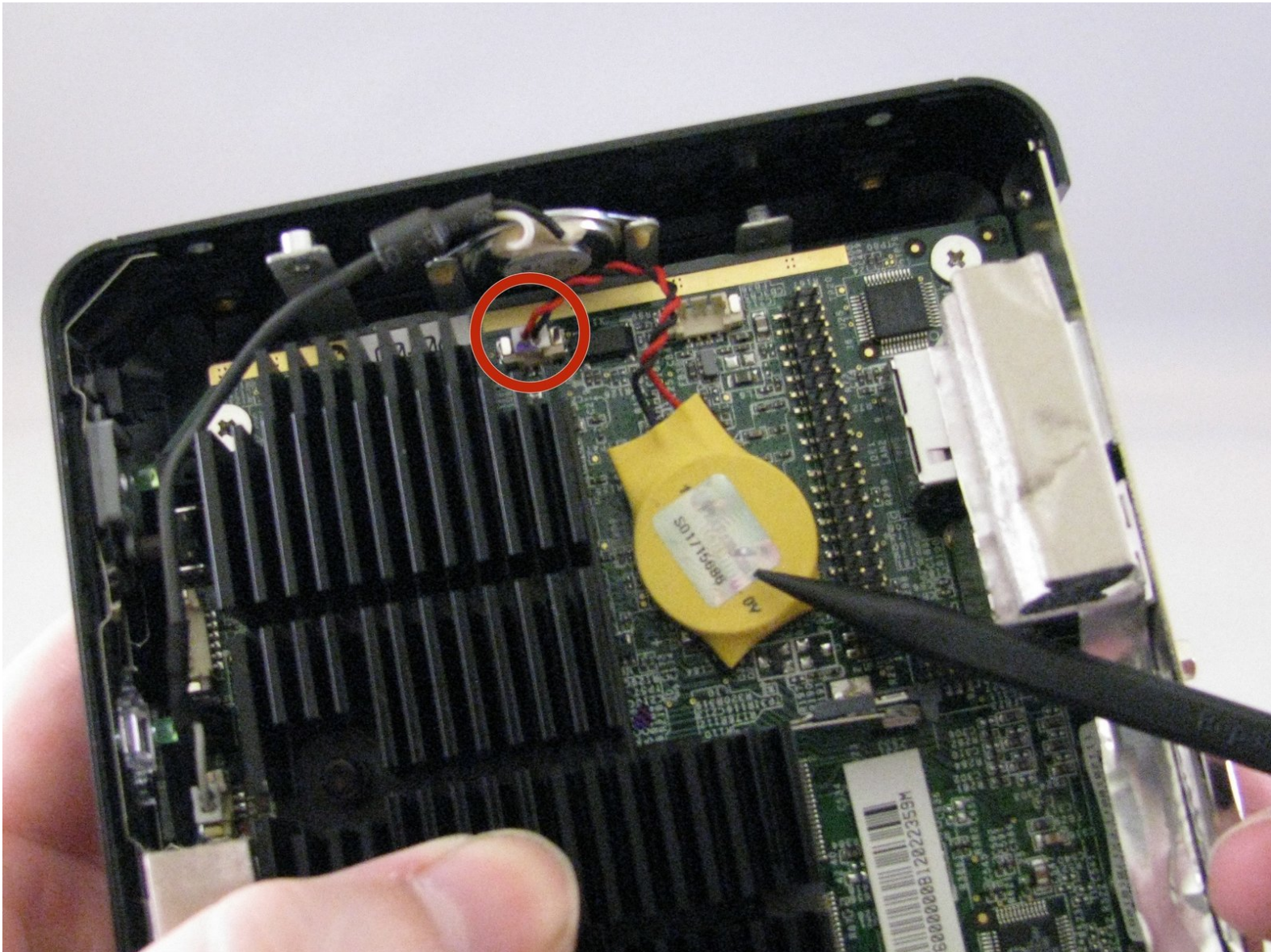# Dell OptiPlex FX170 CMOS Battery Replacement

Replace the CMOS battery to help solve system time issues.

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INTRODUCTION

You should be familiar with the basics of taking apart a computer take apart, specifically in terms of preventing further damage due to electro-static discharge (ESD).

🔧 TOOLS:

- Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)
- Spudger (1)

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Step 1 — Case

- With the base stand facing upwards, unscrew the 6mm Phillips #2 screw.

- Pull the base stand straight up from the device.

Step 2

- Unscrew and remove the eight 4mm Phillips #0 screws (four on top, four on bottom) from the top and bottom of the device.

Step 3

- Run the flat side of the spudger along the entire line of the case starting from the back where the power plug and a small screw are located.

- ⚠ Use care to not apply excessive force that could damage retaining clips while running the spudger along the case.
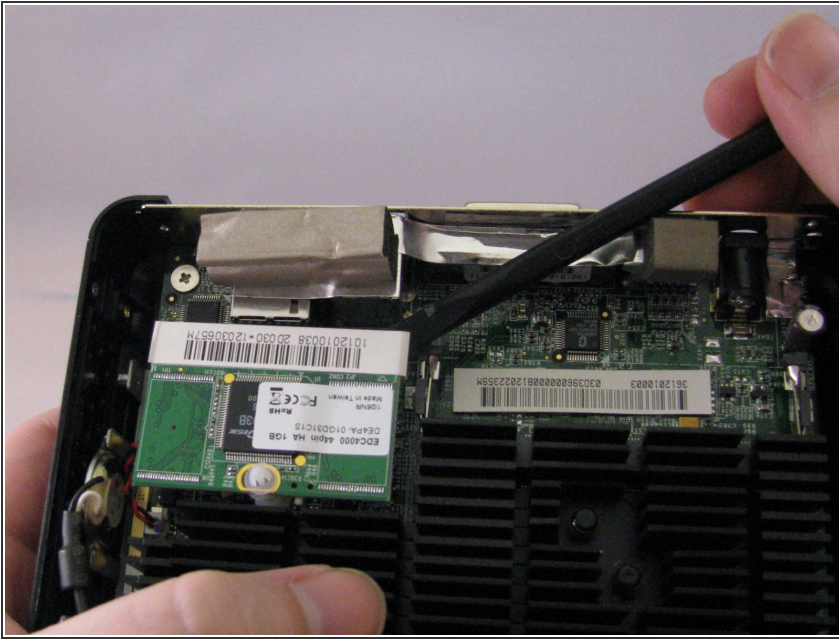
Step 4

- Once the clips have been released, gently disengage the cover from the rest of case by pulling in opposite directions.

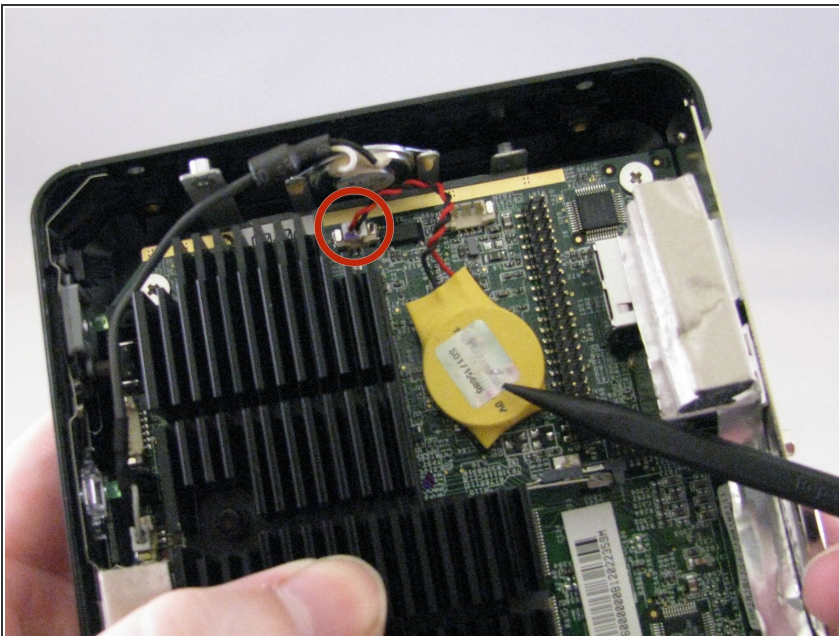This document was generated on 2020-11-26 08:39:06 PM (MST).

Step 5 — Memory Board

- Using the spudger, gently push on the underside of the memory board to loosen it. Gently grasp each side and pull up to release the memory board.

Step 6 — CMOS Battery

- To remove the battery, pull up on the connector that is plugged into the motherboard.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.

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