

Reference project Friesland drinking water system



Customer:	Vitens Fryslân Drinking water procurement and distribution	
Plant:		
Project value:	about 3.5 million Euro	
Project duration:	1993-present (in discrete construction stages)	

Description

The Vitens Fryslân company supplies drinking water to about 250.000 households in the Dutch province of Friesland, and on the islands Vlieland, Terschelling, Ameland, and Schiermonnikoog. The households of the 31 communities are distributed across the entire province of Friesland, connected by a water pipeline about 6.200 km in length. A total of 19 substations pump about 45 million m³ of groundwater per year from depths between 50 and 130 meters, and convey them to four main pumping stations for treatment and distribution. The aim of the comprehensive modernization project was to ensure high-quality water treatment as well as a reliable supply to all the households for an acceptable price.

The individual stations are located all over Friesland, interconnected via high-speed DSL communication links and also coupled to a central control room. During normal working hours, the pumping stations are manned by a small force of operators. At night and during the weekends, system-wide process management is handled by the central control room. Usually, the unmanned substations are operated completely from the central control room or from the superordinate pumping stations. These key functions of the pumping stations and the central control room place very high demands on safety and availability of the process management and automation systems. Thanks to its distributed structure and multiple availability of functions in several operating stations, the PMSX[®]pro process management system is ideally suited for such a demanding task.



One distributed process management system is installed in each station, whereby hardware and software are designed for utmost system safety. Should a disturbance occur, redundant equipment and corresponding procedures ensure uninterrupted plant operation without loss of data.

Meanwhile, the existing local data communication via a ringshaped wide area network (WAN) has been replaced by much faster DSL communication links. In each station, DSL routers handle the data traffic between the local Ethernet system bus and the DSL link. This enables all the stations to communicate freely with each other, and central process management is greatly accelerated. In order to increase operational safety, e.g. in case of disturbances in the DSL network, backup lines are provided, and in addition, all the process data are buffered locally. Signal paths and possible communication faults are monitored continuously in the central control room.

Moreover, data from critical plant sections and equipment are transferred to an OSIsoft central management information system. Apart from the province of Friesland, the OSIsoft system is also used for several other provinces in which Vitens has taken over the water supply during the past years. In Friesland, OPC interfaces have been installed in 25 PMSX[®] pro stations for linking them to the OSIsoft management information system via a local front-end computer.

The PMSX[®]pro process management system is an ideal solution for such widely distributed plant layouts. Thanks to the fully independent operation of the individual parts of the installation in combination with central process management and system configuration, a highly efficient overall system has been created, which meets all the requirements in terms of safety, availability, convenience, and flexibility.



Technical requirements

Process management of the plant from a central location Redundant operator workstations Automation stations System-wide engineering from a central engineering workplace OPC coupling to the management information system Connection to the OPIR water demand prediction program Archiving of all incoming alarms & messages Archiving of all relevant measurement values in appropriate compression stages Strict data consistency Standardized software tools

Scope of delivery

- Process management system PMSX[®]pro
- Automation equipment
- Network using switch technology
- Telecontrol system using DSL technology
- Installation & wiring
- Target specifications / engineering / programming
- Commissioning / trial operation / training

Process management characteristics

Process management system	PMSX [®] pro
Topology	multiple distributed systems
Network	Ethernet, DSL
Automation system	Philips P8, Siemens S7
Data points	about 30 000
Automation stations	50
Operating stations	20
Process servers	37

Excerpt from our reference list



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