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System Highlights

Improving Performance on the Production Floor

- Accurate to the second measurements for run time, down time, and product change-over time
- Extremely simple and reliable electrical interface, requiring only one sensor per line
- Maintains real-time cases per hour, filler speed, filler stops
- Capable of deriving data from existing network capable PLC hardware
- Automatically maintains an event log for each stop by production line
- Operator supplements each down time event detected by the system by declaring the actual cause of each “significant” event

Wireless networking provides real-time data updates for stop declarations

User Friendly System

- Easy to use requiring little operator training
- Flexible in terms of configuring workstations and product specifications
- Easily accommodates the seamless integration with other software modules
- List of available stop causes and equipment codes are easily maintained through configuration screens
- LED displays allow operators to view up-to-the-minute feedback on their line performance.
Complete Management Information Software

**Efficiency Improvements**
- Improved efficiency through better understanding of equipment downtime.
- Measurement tool for reviewing performance over time.
- Real-time analysis of performance indicators
- Metrics focus on OEE—how effective manufacturing equipment is utilized

**Track Mechanical Maintenance**
- Track mechanical maintenance utilization for mechanics performing electrical/mechanical breakdowns as well as other downtime repairs

**Team Performance Measurements**
- Measure shift performances by line for team comparisons and accountability

**Focus on Rejects/Yields**
- By focusing on reject levels and yields, you can drive your yields and quality numbers higher.
- Indicators determine if you are getting good valve maintenance and good material usage.

**Changeover Time Accuracy**
- More accurate measurement of changeover time.

**Pinpoint the following:**
- Capital Improvements – Determine areas which need improvements. Justification for capital expenditures through data analysis.
- Training Issues – Determine issues through downtime analysis
- PM Schedule – Determine if you have adequate PM program as well as pinpoint recurring issues. Revise your PM program for existing assets or machinery.
- Improve scheduling through historical analysis of change times.

**Marquee Feedback**
- LED displays allow operators to get up-to-the-minute feedback on their line performance.
- Additional communication features allow messages to be broadcast indicating important information, such as “Date Codes, Promotions, etc.”

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