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O&M Training Key to Successful Startup & Commissioning

Training = Safety

District Energy, Second Quarter 2015

"The Silver Tsunami", Tim Griffin, PE LEED AP, Principal, RMF Engineering Inc.; and Kathryn Ramsted, Editorial Associate, District Energy

PricewaterhouseCoopers:

"52 percent of skilled engineers needing to be replaced by 2020"

Challenges	Goals
New Hires	Safely Operate Equipment
Younger Staff	Safe Startup
Lack of Experience	Safe Shutdown
No Dedicated Institutional Training	Safely Manage Emergency Situations



New Technology







Heat Recovery
Steam
Generator
(HRSG)

SCR Catalyst NH₃ Injection

Steam Turbine Generator

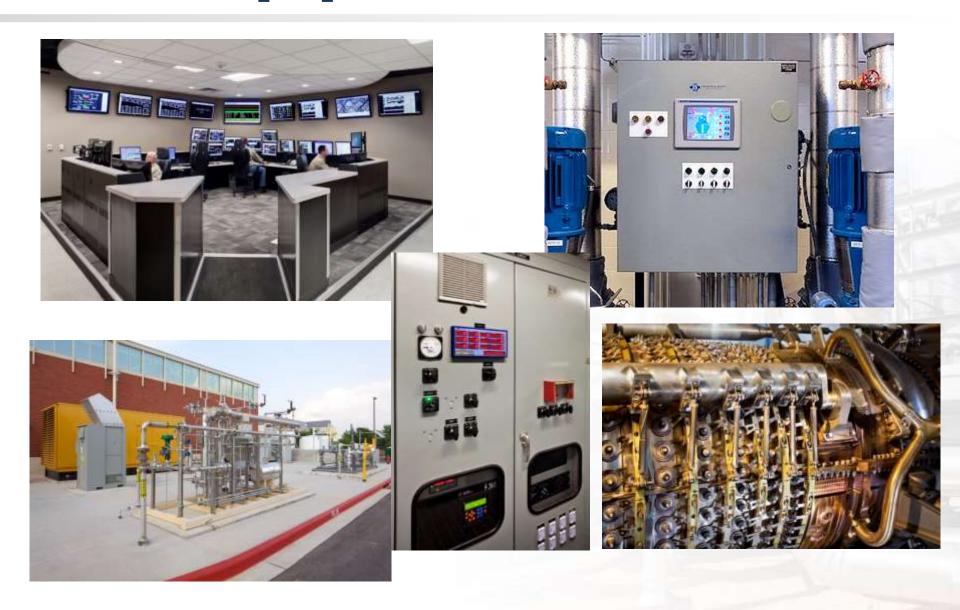
Condensing
Cond/Extraction
Back Pressure

Aeroderivative Combustion Gas Turbine Generator

DLE (Dry Low Emissions) Technology

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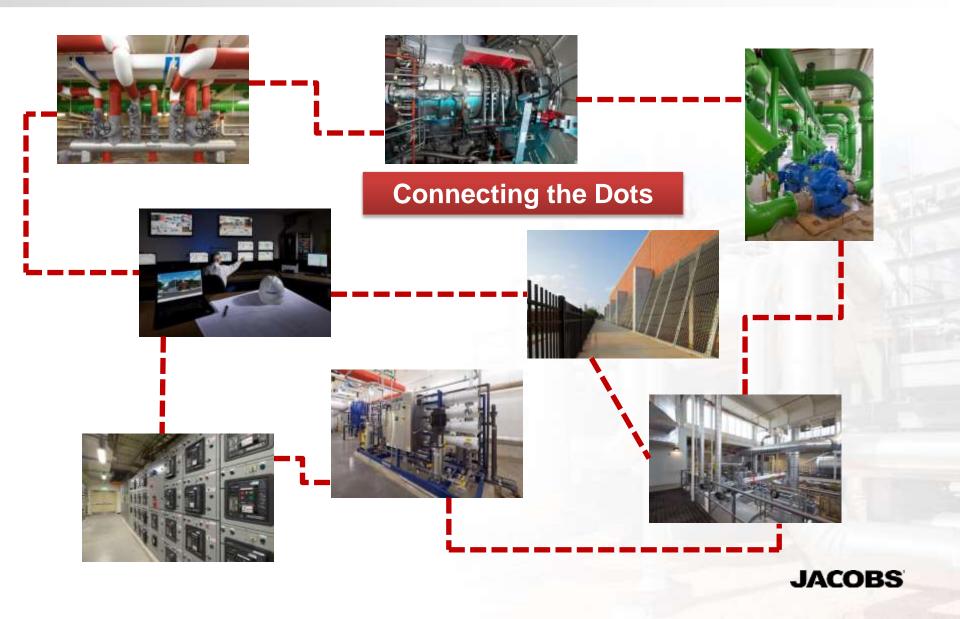
New Equipment - New Controls



Required by Specifications



Why Systems Training?



Train For- State of the Art Facility



21st Century State of the Art CHP Plant

'40s '50s & '60s Steam & Electric Equipment

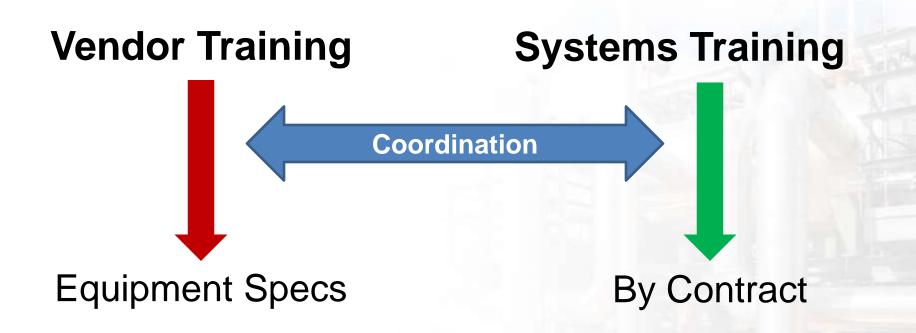
Outdated Inefficient Vintage Power Plant

Multi-Million Capital Investment

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Two Parts



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Linking the Two Together

Vendor Training

- Chillers
- Cooling Towers
- Combustion Turbines
- HRSGs
- RO/Water Treatment
- Switchgear

Systems Training

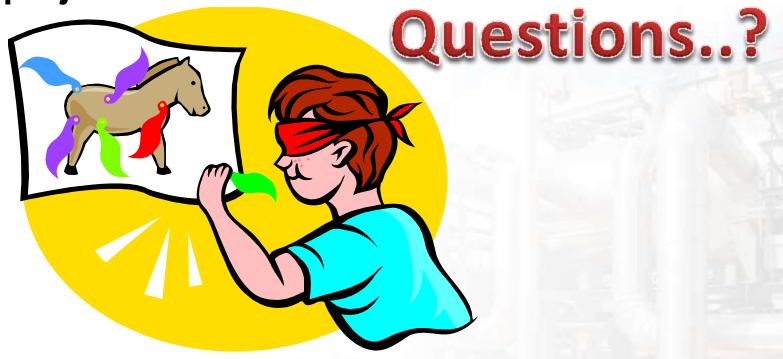
- Chilled Water System
- Condenser Water System
- Power Generation Systems
- Steam System
- Makeup Water
- Electrical Systems

O&M Staff Training - Elements

- Write training requirements into Specs
- Begin early in design process
- Coordinate with Cx
- Be realistic in estimating project scope
- Account for Vendor Participation (no shows)
- Accommodation for multiple shifts

Training Approach

Don't leave training to end of project..!!



Pin the Tail on the Donkey Approach

Not the way to go...!!!