ENERGY CENTER MINNEAPOLIS CONTROL SYSTEM UPGRADE
Control System Upgrade at Energy Center Minneapolis

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System Overview

• Steam, Hot Water and Chilled water district energy system

• Commenced Operations in 1972

• Serves the downtown business core in Minneapolis MN plus two remote plants

• Three steam plants, one hot water plant, six chilled water plants

• 10 Boilers, 17 chillers

• Purchased steam from two Hennepin County plants

• Electric, steam turbine, and gas engine drive chillers

• Natural gas/#2 Fuel Oil boilers

• 660,000 lb/hr peak steam demand

• 30,000 Ton peak cooling demand
System Historical Overview - DCS

• Bailey Infi90 DCS System Installed in 1980’s
  ➢ System installed in five plants
  ➢ One plant connected via coax, two DSL, one stand alone
  ➢ Redundant Controllers and HMI’s, Non-Redundant I/O
  ➢ Multiple Controller and HMI Upgrades made over time.

• Allen Bradley PLC Systems Installed in mid 1990’s
  ➢ Systems installed in two plants
  ➢ Same family but different age/version controllers
  ➢ Connected via Fiber
  ➢ Non-redundant controllers and HMI’s, Non-Redundant I/O
  ➢ No controller and HMI upgrades made over time.
  ➢ Primarily used for HVAC, support systems and as communications interface to local vendor controls
Overview – Current Configuration

- **Main Plant**
  - PCView, Plant Loop, Bailey Infi90
- **PC5**
  - Fiber
- **Main Plant (HVAC, Fuel Oil HERC)**
  - Rockwell PLC, Citect HMI
- **Foster House**
  - Rockwell HMI and SLC500 PLC
- **Fairview Riverside**
  - PCView, Plant Loop, Bailey Infi90
- **North Riverfront**
  - Bailey Net90 Control Hardware, no local control console
- **Macy’s**
  - Rockwell PLC Controllers, local data display only
- **Baker**
  - ROC Controller for PRV’s
- **HCEC**
  - Purchased Steam, O&M
  - Bailey Infi90
- **First Avenue**
  - PCView, local Plant Loop only, no remote operation, Bailey Infi90

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1980's vintage Core DCS system that had been periodically upgraded was reaching true economic end of hardware and software life.

- Software and equipment maintenance costs increasing
- Loss of experienced technical support personnel
- HMI servers reaching end of life
- Multiple systems/vendors that need to communicate
- Level of investment required to bring current system up to date significant enough to justify evaluating complete or partial replacement with alternate vendors
- Access advanced control, monitoring, diagnostic, and record keeping capabilities of newer DCS systems
Main Project Options Considered – Core DCS System

1. Upgrade/Replace Controllers, Power Supplies and HMI’s with current manufacturers most current compatible products. (keep I/O and backplane)
2. Upgrade/Replace Controllers, Power Supplies and HMI’s with alternate manufacturers compatible products. (keep I/O and backplane)
3. Upgrade/Replace Controllers, I/O, Power Supplies and HMI’s with current manufacturers most current compatible products (keep I/O Backplane)
4. Upgrade/Replace Controllers, I/O, Power Supplies and HMI’s with alternate manufacturers compatible products (keep I/O Backplane)
5. Replace Controllers, I/O, Power Supplies and HMI’s with current manufacturers most current product.
6. Replace Controllers, I/O, Power Supplies and HMI’s with alternate manufacturers most current product newer DCS systems
Project Options Considered – Other Components

- Establish Communications with Fairview Riverside Plant
- Replace everything with same as rest of the system or retain existing Allen Bradley PLC Control Systems (Main Plant HVAC & Fuel Oil, Foster House, Macy’s)
- Retain existing coax, replace with fiber-optic, or switch to DSL communications for Convention Center Plant
- Install fiber optic or switch to DSL for 1st Avenue Plant
- Include new BMS systems in project scope
- Include instrumentation asset management functionality
- Replace all or portion of instrument wiring.
Selected Configuration

- Replace Controllers, I/O, Power Supplies and HMI’s with current or alternate manufacturers most current product for North Riverfront, 1st Ave, Convention Center and Main Plant (Existing Bailey Infi90 systems)
  - Emerson Delta V was selected.
- Retain existing Allen Bradley control systems at Macy’s and Foster House Plants.
- Retain existing Fisher ROC/Single Loop Controller control system at Baker Plant
- Retain existing fiber optic communications with Baker, Macy’s and Foster House
- Switch to DSL communications for 1st Ave, Convention Center and Fairview Plants
- Upgrade fiber optics communications interfaces at all connected plants
- Replaced all I/O wiring back to local equipment control panels and majority of standalone instruments
Overview – Selected Configuration

- **Main Plant**
  - DeltaV

- **Convention Center**
  - DeltaV

- **Baker**
  - ROC Controller for PRV’s

- **Macy’s**
  - Rockwell PLC Controllers, local data display only

- **Foster House**
  - Rockwell HMI and SLC500 PLC

- **First Avenue**
  - DeltaV

- **North Riverfront**
  - DeltaV

- **Fairview Riverside**
  - DeltaV

- **HCEC**
  - Purchased Steam, O&M

- **HERC**
  - Purchased Steam

- **Main Plant (HVAC, Fuel Oil HERC)**
  - Rockwell PLC, Citect HMI

- **First Avenue**
  - DeltaV

- **Fiber**

- **DSL**
Project Implementation – Schedule

• Initial discussions started in 2009
• Development of project scope was started and stopped multiple times over the next 6 years due to budget constraints and lack of consensus on scope.
• October of 2014 consultant hired to develop project scope
• Proposals solicited fall of 2015
• DCS vendor awarded February of 2016
• System configuration, cabinet construction and FAT complete September of 2016
• Operator training completed in August of 2016
• Phase I – NRP and Main Plant HMI’s installation started September of 2016
• Phase II – 1st Avenue, Convention Center and Foster House plants installation started November of 2016
• Phase III – Main plant installation started March of 2017.
• Phase IV installation – Fairview Riverside started June of 2017
• Project complete December 2017
Project Implementation – Key Aspects

• Utilize 3rd Party Consultant to Help Evaluate Current and Future Needs and Support Project Development and Construction
  ➢ Conduct stakeholder meeting
  ➢ Evaluate Potential Vendors
  ➢ Prepare Project Requirements Document and Procurement Specification
  ➢ Provide Technical Support for Design, Installation and Commissioning
  ➢ Develop Project Implementation Plan

• Comprehensive Bid Evaluation Matrix/Scoring
  ➢ Equipment Cost
  ➢ Configuration Cost
  ➢ Schedule
  ➢ Functionality
  ➢ Life Cycle
  ➢ Support Capabilities
  ➢ Support Cost
  ➢ Training Cost
Project Implementation – Key Aspects

• Stakeholder meetings to finalize project scope and create buy-in

• Award, Develop and Approve Final Hardware and Configuration Scope Prior to Developing Installation Bid Documents

• Utilize phased approach to installation and commissioning
  ➢ Avoid overburdening plant operators and I&C staff
  ➢ Identify unknown/missed items so they can be corrected before the next phase.

• Complete comprehensive Operator training using simulator with actual configuration

• Fully document existing system components and wiring to remain.
Project Implementation Plan Elements

- Stakeholder meetings to final and achieve consensus on project scope
- Prepare project hardware and configuration procurement specifications
- Hardware and configuration bid solicitation, review and selection
- Hardware and configuration submittal review and acceptance
- Prepare project installation specifications
- Installation bid solicitation, review and selection
- Comprehensive off-site Operating training
- Comprehensive Factory Acceptance Testing
- Phased implementation approach
- Complete installation, commissioning and operational break-in period for each phase before commencing next phase
- Small independent North River Front Plant first
- 1st Ave Satellite, and Convention Center Plants next
- Main Plant and Fairview Riverside last
Total Project Cost - $1,778,000

- $442,000, 25%
- $560,000, 32%
- $469,000, 26%
- $307,000, 17%

- Configuration
- Hardware
- Consulting
- Installation
# System Size

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Project Lessons Learned – What We Did Right

• Utilize knowledgeable 3rd party consultant to guide all phases of the project
• Develop, award and approve final hardware and configuration design prior to developing installation bid documents
• Complete comprehensive off-site operator training in advance of initial implementation
• Utilize phased approach to prevent overburdening operations personnel and to identify unknown/missed items to be corrected before next phase
• Involve as many plant operations personnel as possible in system commissioning.
• Accurately document and label existing I/O and wiring and terminations
Lessons Learned – What We Did Wrong

• Assign project manager (preferably 3rd party) to take the lead on developing initial draft scope vs trying to develop scope by committee.

• Start with one on one interviews with various stakeholders

• Don’t overload stakeholders with too much information – break scope into distinct smaller categories and reach consensus in steps.

• Start discussions with 3rd party communication vendors as soon as possible and leave sufficient time in schedule to secure service
Thank You

Questions?
Project Network Configuration

WAN – Communication Redundancy

- Minneapolis Energy Center
  - Engineer Station
  - Historical Interface
- Convention Center
- First Ave
  - Primary DeltaV Switch
- North Riverfront
- Fairview Riverside
- Additional Workstation

Primary WAN
Secondary WAN
Project Network Configuration

DeltaV Architecture Diagram – Final Phase of Phased Implementation
Project Network Configuration
Installation Pictures

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NEW SYSTEM
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