

CASE STUDY DCS UPGRADE

OUR CLIENT:	Winstones Pulp International
INDUSTRY:	Pulp and Paper
VALUE:	NZ\$500K
OVERVIEW:	Karioi pulpmill produces pulp and paper for New Zealand and international markets.
	The Honeywell DCS system is now obsolete and availability of the flash driers and refiners were impacted due to the unreliability of the systems.
	A project was initialized to upgrade the control systems to Rockwell PlantPAX DCS, the aim was to improve reliability and achieve higher availability for the mill, without impacting production.
ENGINEERING:	ECL engineers were responsible for code development, documentation, testing and commissioning, to replace the obsolete Honeywell DCS with the Rockwell PlantPAX DCS system.
	The graphics and programming were based on the Rockwell PlantPAX for improved situational awareness, with an interface to an existing 3rd party historian.
	The commissioning was staged to fit in with planned plant shutdowns, or online, to reduce downtime.

The aim of improved reliability was achieved, the DCS system continues to have higher availability.

The project was completed on time, within budget and with no lost time incidents.





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