Implementing Enterprise Business Integration & Lessons Learned

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Agenda



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Background



Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD)



- Parks Management
- Building a sustainable region

- 27 air quality monitoring sites
- 3600 affordable housing units



Enterprise Business Integration Roadmap



The Vision

 To achieve a sustainable region, the GVRD will better enable and integrate the business allowing improved decision making to drive lower costs, to improve quality of product and service, and to increase efficiency by better using and managing our technology.

How do we achieve this?



Professional Expertise



EIC Solutions Ltd.

- Vancouver BC company
- Business Oriented Solutions through Technology Management
- Multidisciplinary expertise
- Quality and Value are remembered, when price is forgotten



Roadmap



Teamwork



Technology



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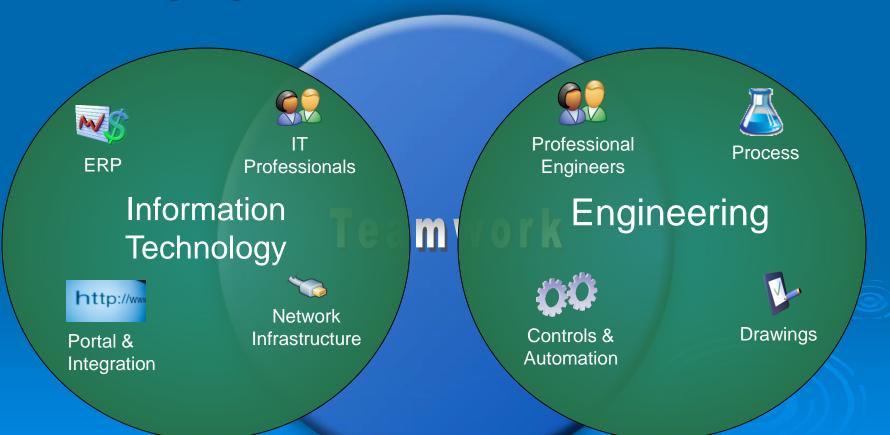
Culture



Roadmap



- Bridging the IT and Engineering Worlds
- Working together to remove silos









Five major themes necessary to harmonize the two worlds enabling enterprise business integration:

- Core Business Support
- Standardize and Simplify IT Systems
- Implement Intranet Portal and Integration Broker
- Unified Process Control and Automation Data
- Control Costs and Measure ROI







Challenge

- 15% of all IT projects fail
- 51% are completed with cost overruns, time overruns, and lack functionality to support the business (Schwartz 2004)
- Due to lack of user involvement and executive buy-in

Solution (6 months)

- IT participation as a partner in O&M business strategy sessions
- Workshops included all levels of the organization especially executives
- Created IT Steering Committees with various departments

Sample result: lines of business enabled to share knowledge, to review, and to prioritize IT dependent projects.







Challenge

- Array of disparate operating systems, databases, infrastructure, and development environments
- Applications: retire, contain, or strategic?
- Reduce lifecycle costs and better meet the needs of the business

Solution (18 months)

Servers: Windows 2000 / 2003

Desktops: Windows XP

Databases: SQL 2000

Development: .Net

Upgrades and web based thin clients

Sample Result: payroll run times on our ERP system decreased from 27 hours to minutes.



Intranet Portal & Integration Broker



Challenge

- Client demand for self-service and personalization
- Make better business decisions in a timely manner
- Information requests across multiple applications

Sample result: runtime hours from plant equipment are used for predictive maintenance instead of pre-determined periodic maintenance.

Solution (Portal)

- Complete corporate intranet re-design and launched on MS Sharepoint Portal Server 2003 within 5 months
- Team sites, collaboration, financials,
 CAD drawings, operational reports...
- Ready for personalization and single sign-on

Solution (Integration Broker)

- Single source data integration between ERP, Managed Maintenance, Process Control systems through MS Biztalk Server 2004 within 12 months
- Manual and redundant data entry replaced with automated and auditable single source data



Unified Process Control & Automation Data



Challenge

- Multitude of control systems including SCADA, DCS, PLC, data loggers, and monitoring stations (100,000+ tags total)
- Data kept in silos
- Unreliable systems prone to failure
- How do we reliably and accurately collect this data and make it easily available to anyone in the organization through a web portal on a standard IT desktop?

Solution (started in June 2004)

- Corporate Historian Roadmap (June 2004) provided a common standard for all new and existing historians while meeting business functionality across the entire GVRD
- Integrate process control/automation data to ERP, Laboratory Information Management System etc...
- Mitigate risk of system failure of existing historians





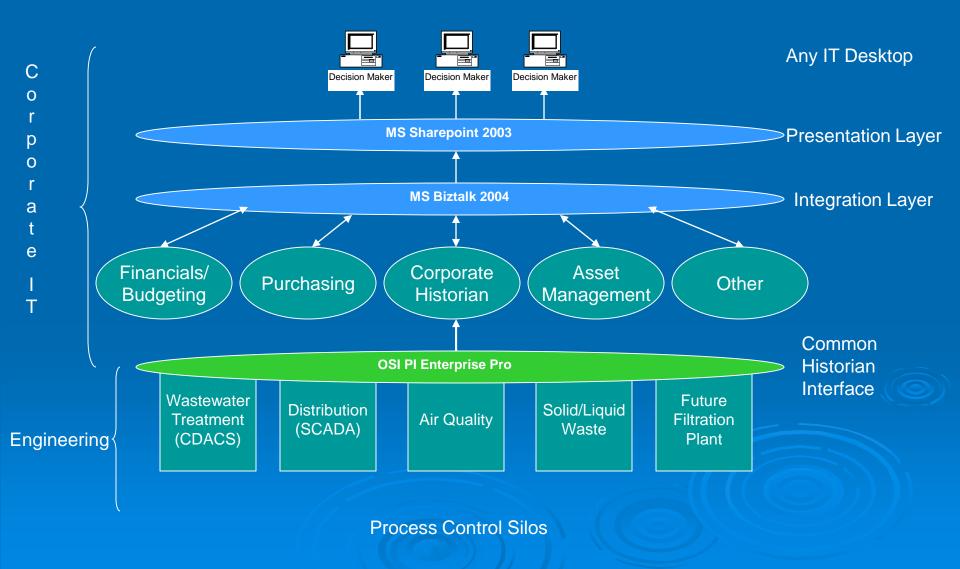
Corporate Historian

"to efficiently create, manage, archive, store, retrieve, and integrate all process control data in support of decision making models across and throughout all levels of the organization"













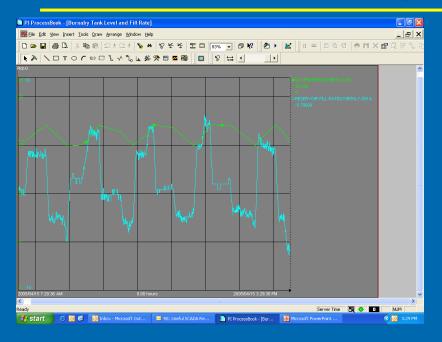


- Corporate Historian Roadmap (June 2004)
- OSI Pilot Project (September 1, 2004 December 31, 2004)
- OSI PI in Production for SCADA, 10,000 tags (January 1, 2005)
- Currently, 250,000 tag server @ Head Office collecting 50,000 tags from remote facilities
- Additional 3 facilities and 30,000 tags online by September 2005
- Ample scalability for future projects and facilities across the organization
- RTWebparts, ProcessBook, and Datalink reports



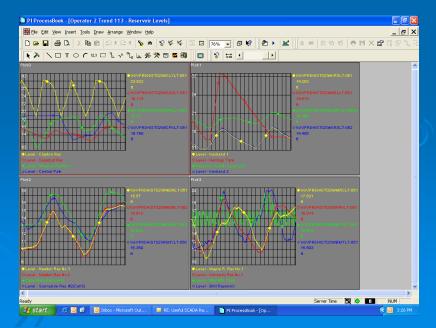






Real-time Burnaby tank level and fill rate

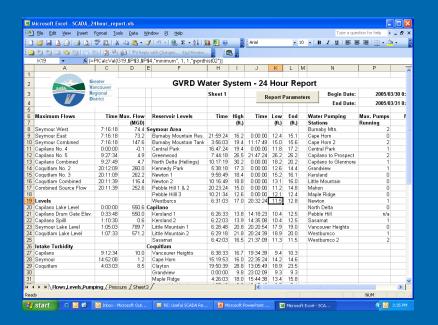
Real-time Reservoir levels of various facilities





Sample KPIs





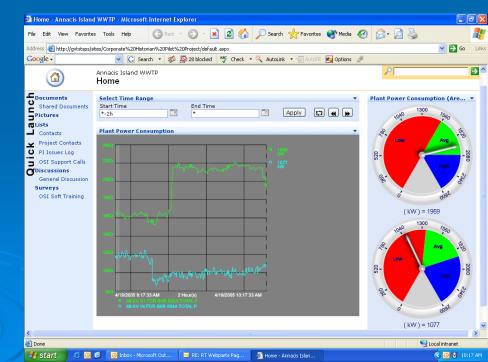
Daily report of water pumping station levels, system pressures, and fill rates

Power Consumption

@ Annacis Island

Wastewater

Treatment Plant





Control Costs / Measure ROI



Challenge

- Strive for practical solutions
- Reduce costs
- Value perceived or received by residents of Greater Vancouver

Results

- Soft costs are invaluable but discounted to zero dollar value
- IT streamlining has saved \$700,000 per year in labour and \$200,000 per year in software support/maintenance costs
- Corporate Historian project using OSI PI will save \$1 million on a five year NPV basis due to procurement through economies of scale





Lessons Learned / Take-Aways

- Leadership a champion is required
- Roadmap vision backed by facts and expertise

 - People the most important aspect... buy-in, teamwork, and culture





"Keep the momentum going!"

Tom Heath VP, Operations and Maintenance GVRD