

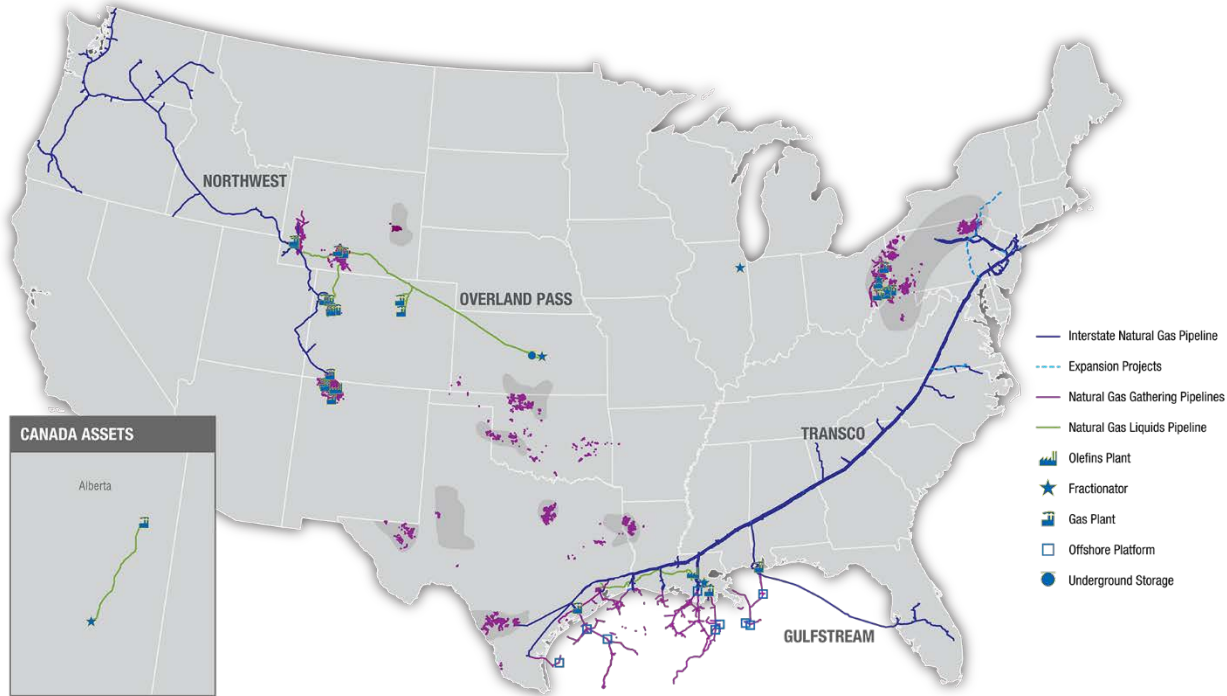


# Engine Burn Time Analysis for Environmental Compliance

Presented by **Mark Nealis**



# About Williams

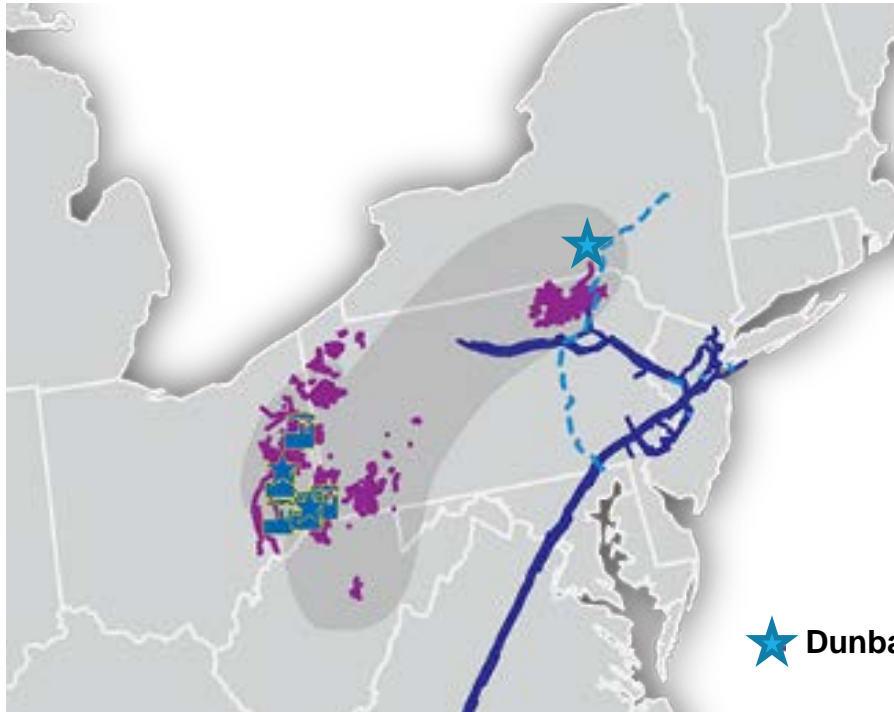


- Natural gas gathering, processing, and transportation company founded in 1908
- 5,000 Employees
- Transport 14% of U.S. natural gas consumption
- 11,200 miles of oil and gas gathering lines
- Gas processing capacity of approximately 7 bcf/d
- 1,400 miles of NGL and olefin transportation pipelines

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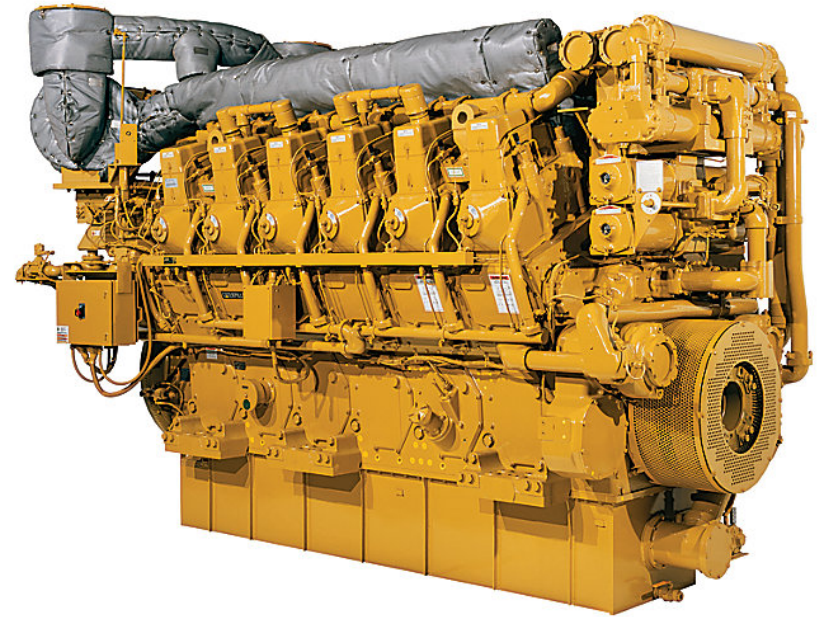
# Dunbar Station



- Dunbar Station is located in Windsor, NY
- Four Cat 3600 units
- Flows 275 MMCF/d

# The Challenge

- NOX emissions dependent on proper combustion
- Changes in engine operating conditions can result in an engine falling outside the emissions limits prescribed in its operating permit



# The Importance of Burn Time

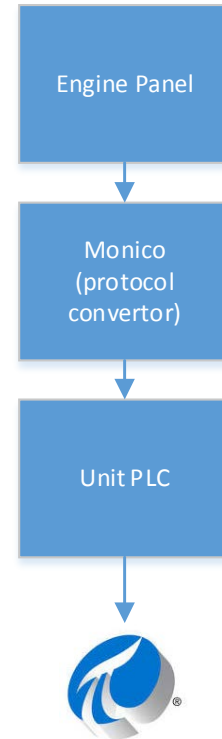
- Burn time is measured by the elapsed time (in milliseconds) after the spark plug ignition occurs until the flame front reaches the sensor inside the combustion chamber
- When combustion is occurring completely, emissions are minimized
- Burn time is the best indicator of the health of the combustion



# The Solution

## *Using the PI System to Help Maintain Emissions Compliance*

- PI Asset Framework (AF)
- PI Notifications
- PI OLEDB Enterprise
- PI Coresight
- PI Advanced Computing Engine (PI ACE)



AF Notifications OLEDB

# PI Asset Framework

AF enables much more than notifications on a simple threshold for one value

The screenshot displays the PI Asset Framework interface. On the left, a tree view shows a hierarchy of assets under the path: \\wmstutro02\Equipment Monitoring\ABA\ABA Dunbar\Unit 4\Eng Air Manifold Temp. The selected asset is 'Eng Cyl 02 Burn Time'. The right pane shows a detailed view of this asset, including a category 'Cyl Burn Time Info' and a table of metrics.


Category: Cyl Burn Time Info		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cyl Burn Time	4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cyl Burn Time Avg	3.9900586173965884
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cyl Burn Time Max	4.04004049
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cyl Burn Time Min	3.9497056
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cyl Min Max Spread	0.090334892272949219
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unfiltered Cyl Burn Time	4.11

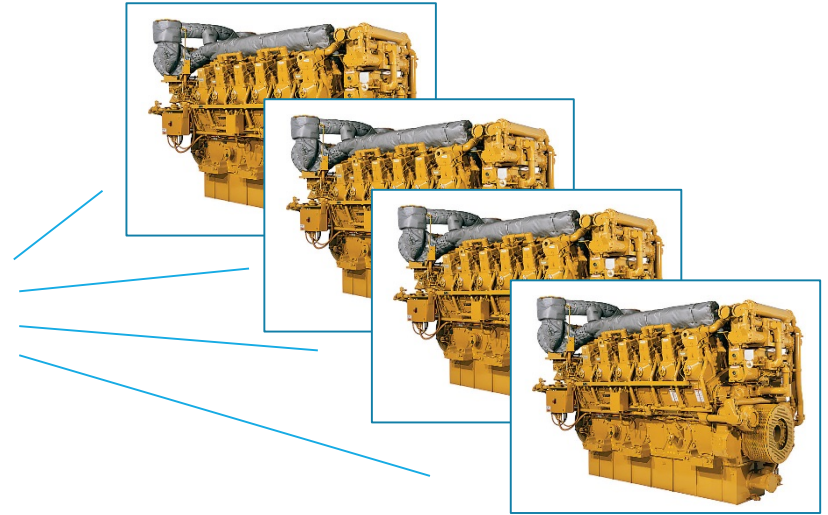
  

Category: Cyl Deviation Thresholds		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lean High Deviation Thresh...	10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lean High High Deviation T...	15

# PI Asset Framework

AF Templates  
are used to  
create a  
scalable  
platform for  
application to  
multiple  
engines

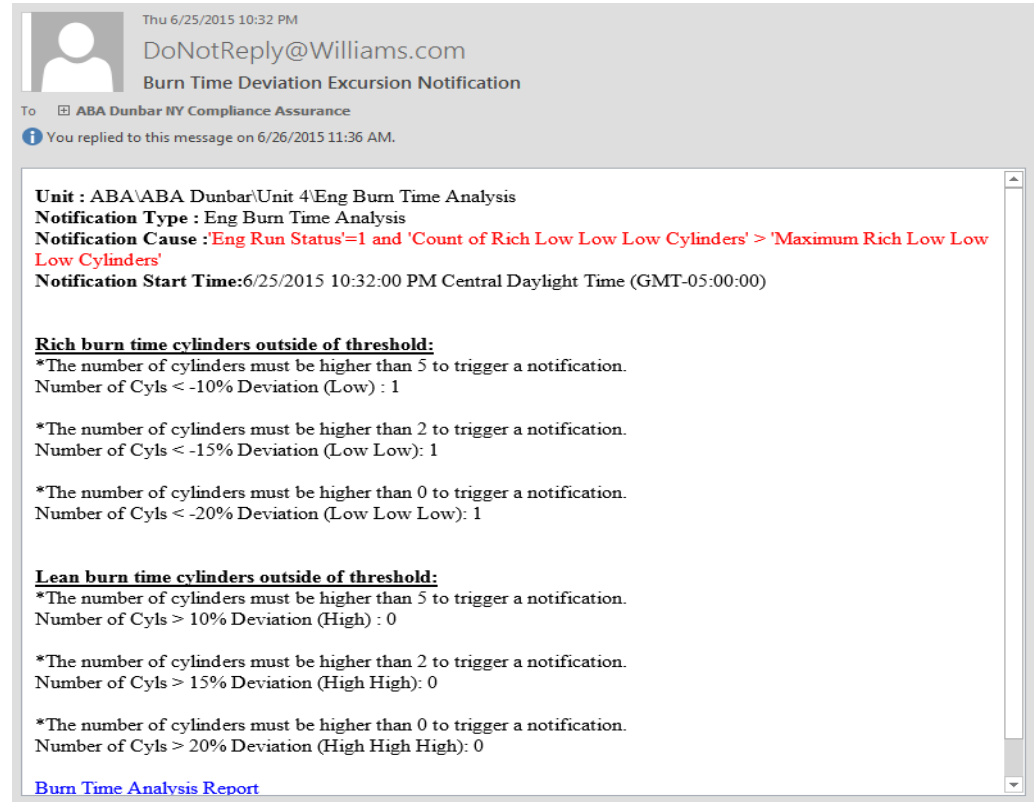
 Cyl Burn Time Analysis Template





# PI Notifications

- Event was brought to the attention of field operational personnel using Notifications
- Notification contains links to a full report



Thu 6/25/2015 10:32 PM  
DoNotReply@Williams.com  
Burn Time Deviation Excursion Notification

To: ABA Dunbar NY Compliance Assurance  
You replied to this message on 6/26/2015 11:36 AM.

**Unit :** ABA\ABA Dunbar\Unit 4\Eng Burn Time Analysis  
**Notification Type :** Eng Burn Time Analysis  
**Notification Cause :** 'Eng Run Status'=1 and 'Count of Rich Low Low Low Cylinders' > 'Maximum Rich Low Low Low Cylinders'  
**Notification Start Time:**6/25/2015 10:32:00 PM Central Daylight Time (GMT-05:00:00)

**Rich burn time cylinders outside of threshold:**  
\*The number of cylinders must be higher than 5 to trigger a notification.  
Number of Cyls < -10% Deviation (Low) : 1  
  
\*The number of cylinders must be higher than 2 to trigger a notification.  
Number of Cyls < -15% Deviation (Low Low): 1  
  
\*The number of cylinders must be higher than 0 to trigger a notification.  
Number of Cyls < -20% Deviation (Low Low Low): 1

**Lean burn time cylinders outside of threshold:**  
\*The number of cylinders must be higher than 5 to trigger a notification.  
Number of Cyls > 10% Deviation (High) : 0  
  
\*The number of cylinders must be higher than 2 to trigger a notification.  
Number of Cyls > 15% Deviation (High High): 0  
  
\*The number of cylinders must be higher than 0 to trigger a notification.  
Number of Cyls > 20% Deviation (High High High): 0

[Burn Time Analysis Report](#)

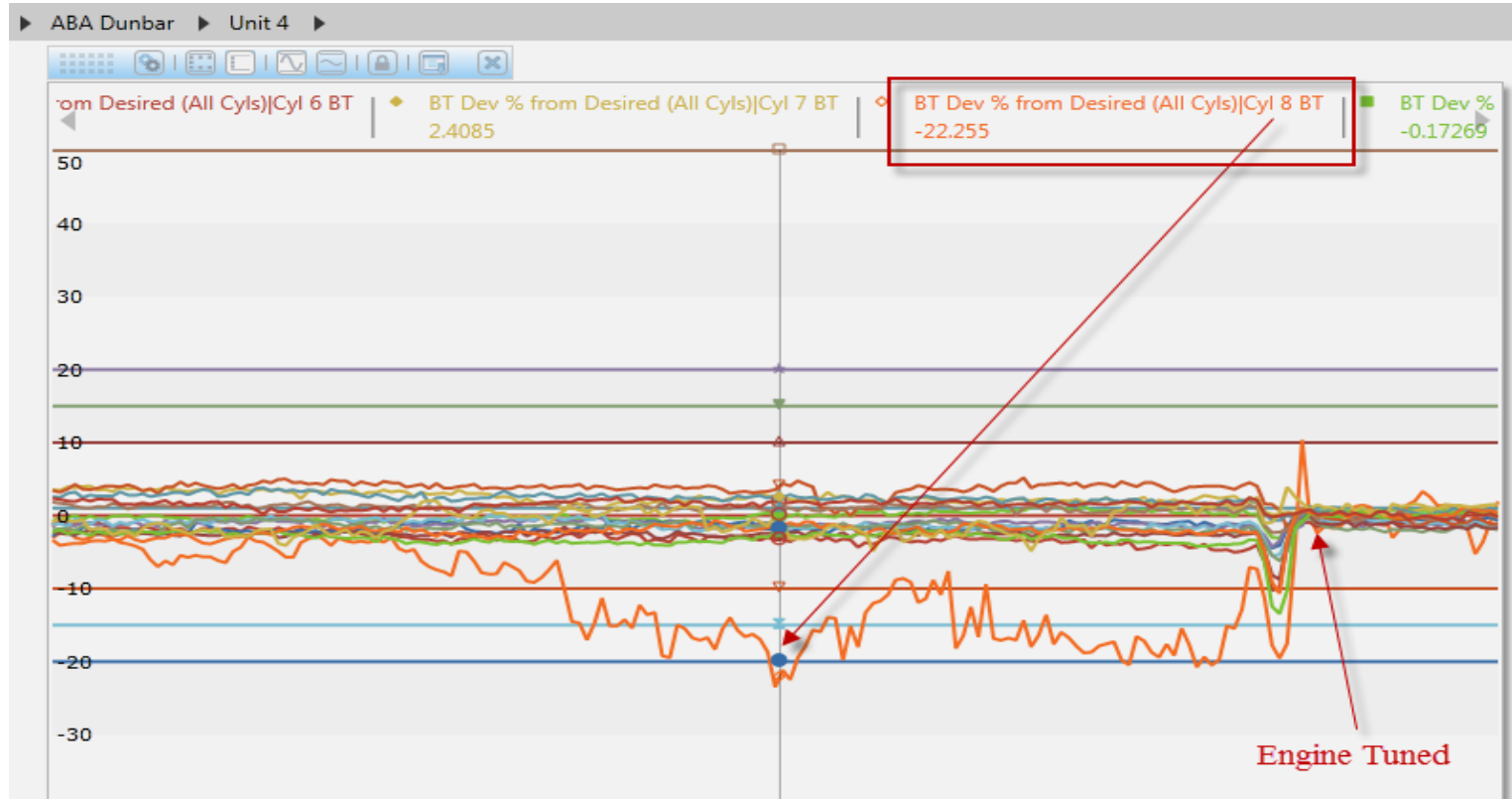
# PI OLEDB Enterprise

- Report is automatically generated using Microsoft SSRS interfaced to AF using PI OLEDB Enterprise
- This report contains links to Coresight trends

Burn Time Analysis - 15 minute interval averages							
Refresh Time: 8/28/2015 4:31:18 PM							
Franchise: ABA							
Facility: ABA Dunbar							
Start Time: 6/25/2015 11:00 PM -1h							
End Time: 6/25/2015 11:00 PM							
		8/25/2015 10:00:00 PM	8/25/2015 10:15:00 PM	8/25/2015 10:30:00 PM	8/25/2015 10:45:00 PM	8/25/2015 11:00:00 PM	
		Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	
ABA Dunbar	Unit 4	Filtered Burn Time	4.24	4.24	4.23	4.24	4.24
		Filtered Burn Time Max	4.33	4.33	4.34	4.33	4.33
		Filtered Burn Time Min	4.16	4.14	4.15	4.15	4.15
		Filtered Burn Time Spread	0.17	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.18
		Desired Burn Time	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.30
		Deviation From Desired	-1.73%	-1.67%	-1.88%	-1.64%	-1.60%
		Oyls < -10% deviation (Rich)	1	1	1	1	1
		Oyls < -15% deviation (Rich)	1	1	1	1	1
		Oyls < -20% deviation (Rich)	1	1	1	0	0
		Oyls > 10% deviation (Lean)	0	0	0	0	0

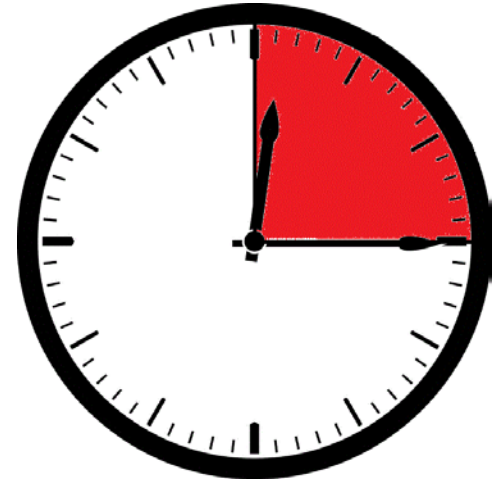
# PI Coresight

June 2015  
example of  
successful  
identification  
of a deviation



# PI Advanced Computing Engine (PI ACE)

- Used to count misfires within a 15-minute time period
- More efficient than running a query, particularly if an SME is looking at a long period of history



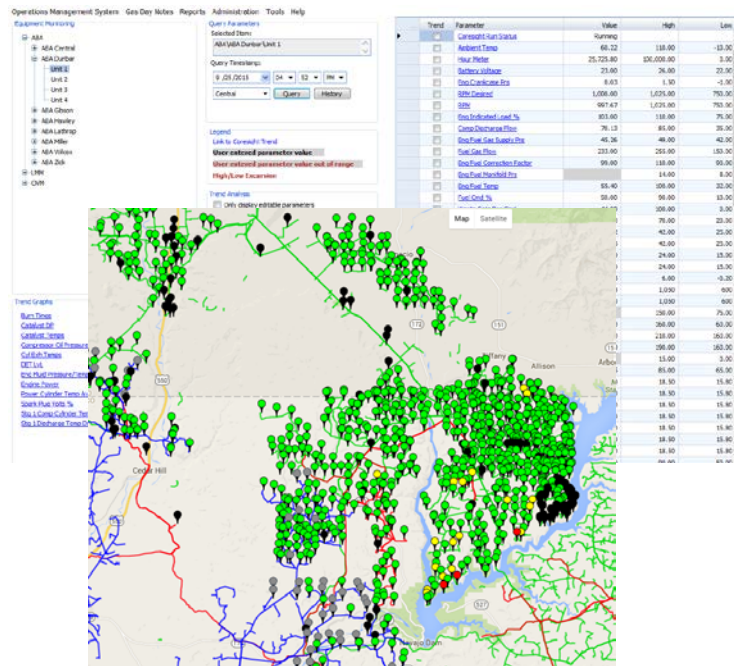
# Results and Business Impact

- If a unit falls out of compliance, the cost of shutting that unit down can be \$25,000/day
- Since putting this system in place, we have not had any compliance issues requiring us to shut down
- 2015: All engines passed inspection
- NYDEC “very satisfied” with execution of compliance plan



# Overall PI System Experience and Future

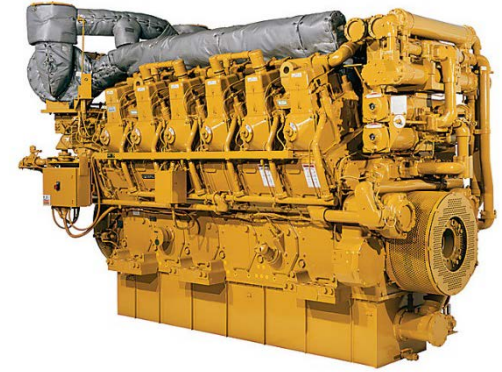
- Currently running over 15 applications based on PI System Data
- Enterprise is recognizing the value being brought by the system
- Grass-roots efforts with operations have become visible at top levels
- Continuing to expand both applications and asset reach



# Engine Burn Time Analysis

## COMPANY and GOAL

Williams gathers, processes and transports natural gas, and places a high priority on meeting environmental standards



## CHALLENGE

Ensure that NOX permits are not exceeded on its fleet of Caterpillar 3600 engines

- With multiple engines in the fleet and numerous high-profile performance objectives, engine tuning can be forgotten

## SOLUTION

PI AF-based solution for monitoring burn times to ensure engine is properly tuned

- PI AF provides continuous 24-hour monitoring using complex calculations
- PI OLEDB Enterprise facilitates reporting by exception, saving valuable time for operations

## RESULTS

Successful in improving compliance on NOX emissions from these engines

- Previously, Williams had incurred some violations
- After implementation, all engines passed inspection, and NYDEC was pleased with documentation

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