Integrated Access to PI Process Book Displays







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Introduction

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Coors Brewing Company

- Third Largest Domestic Brewer
- 3 Plants Golden, CO, Elkton, VA, Memphis, TN
- Over 15 Million Barrels of Beer Packaged in Golden (465 Million Gallons) - 21 Million Barrels Brewed
- Golden Largest Single Brewery in the World
- Elkton and Memphis Package Over 6 Million Barrels Total

PI System

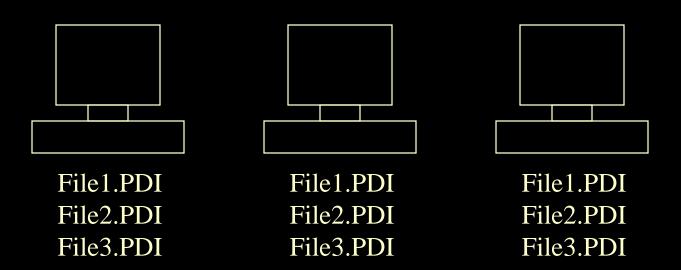
- Golden 2 Servers, Process and Packaging
- Golden Process Malting, Brewing and Fermenting Has Over 66,000 Tags
- Golden Packaging Over 3,500 Tags
- Elkton Has Over 7,000 Tags
- Memphis Has Over 8,700 Tags

The Problem

- PDI Files Used to Display Trends and Process Status Overview Screens
- PDI Files Stored on Local Hard Drives of Each PC on Plant Floor
- Difficult to Maintain Files
- Accessibility of Files Difficult for Operators

The Problem (Cont'd)

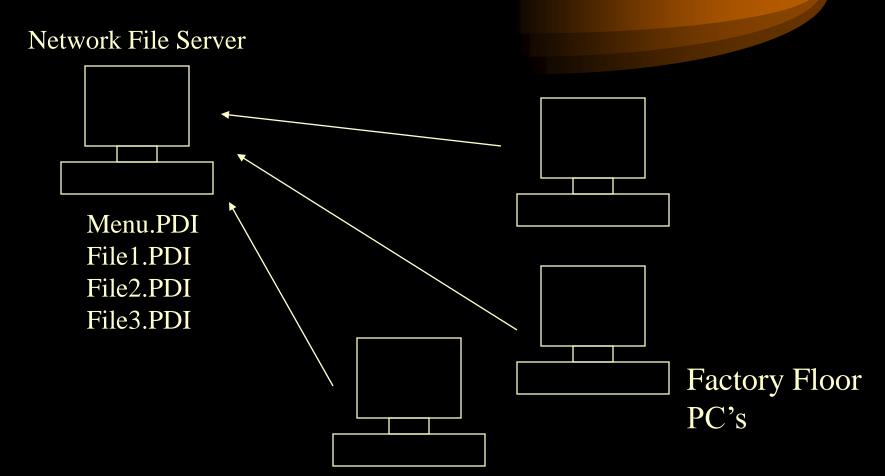
Each PC on the Factory Floor had Individual Copies of PDI Files

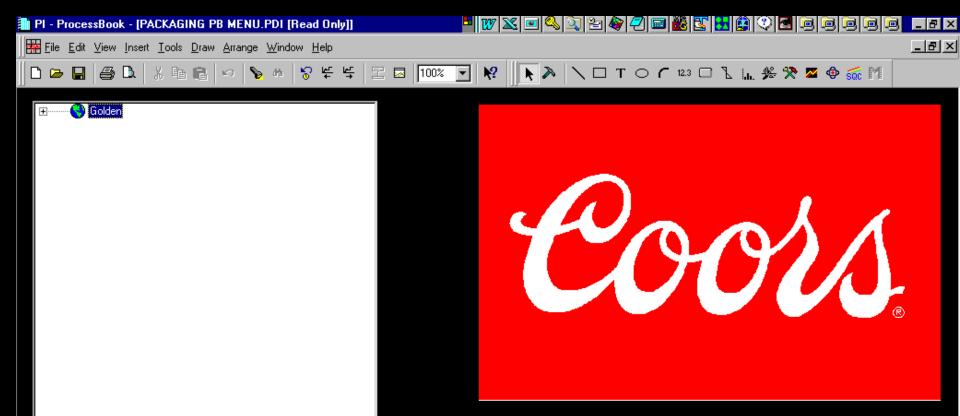


The Solution

- We Stored all PDI Files on a Single Network Drive
- We Developed a Common Menu System
- We Used the Microsoft Tree View Control to Build a PDI Menu Selection System
- Relational Database Tables used for Tree Branches and Nodes

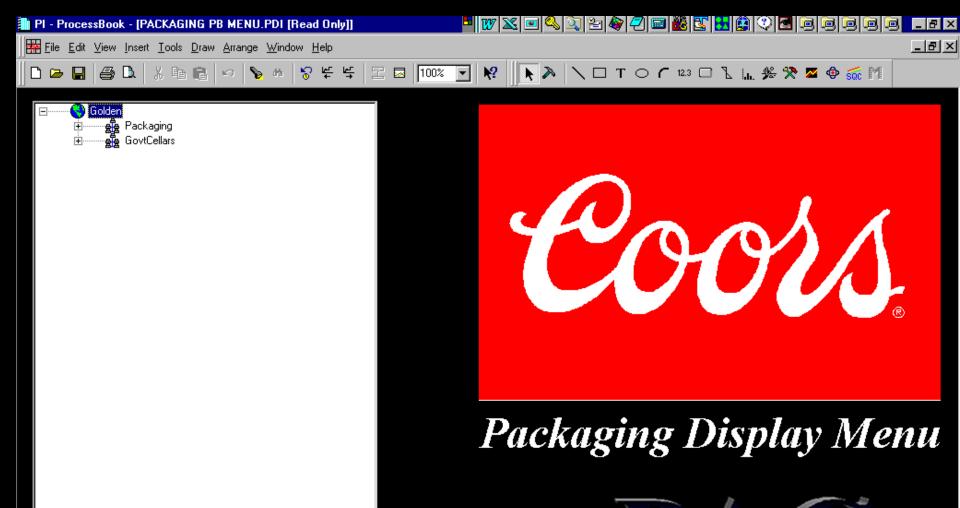
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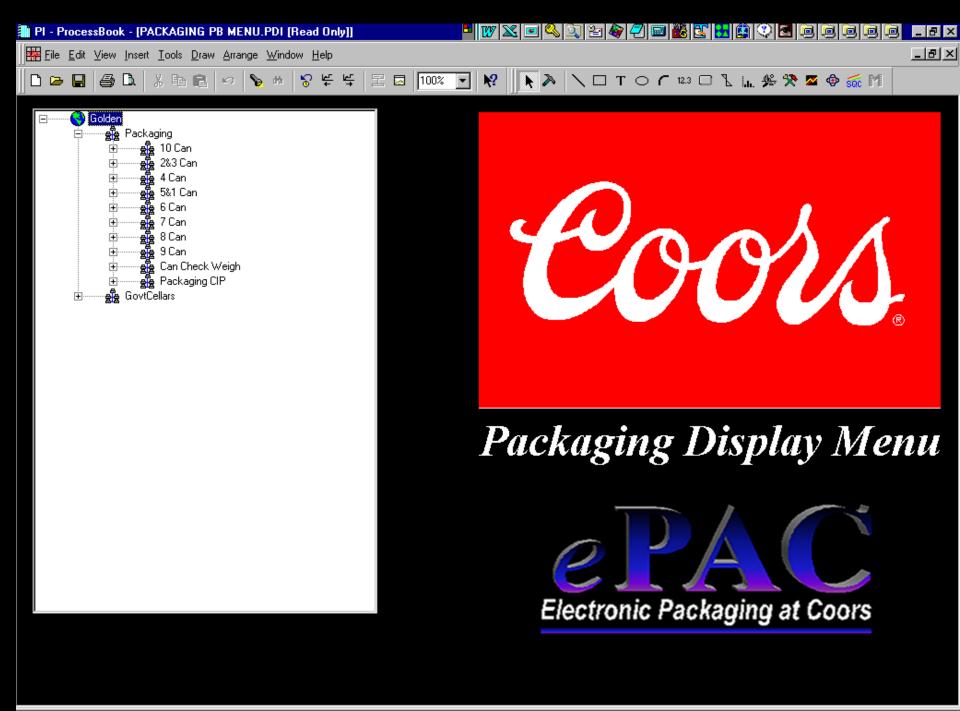


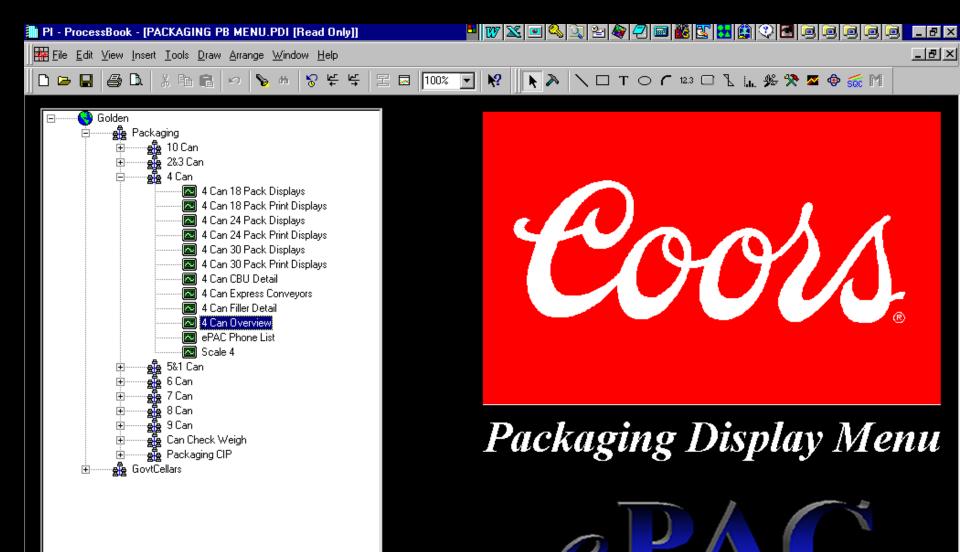
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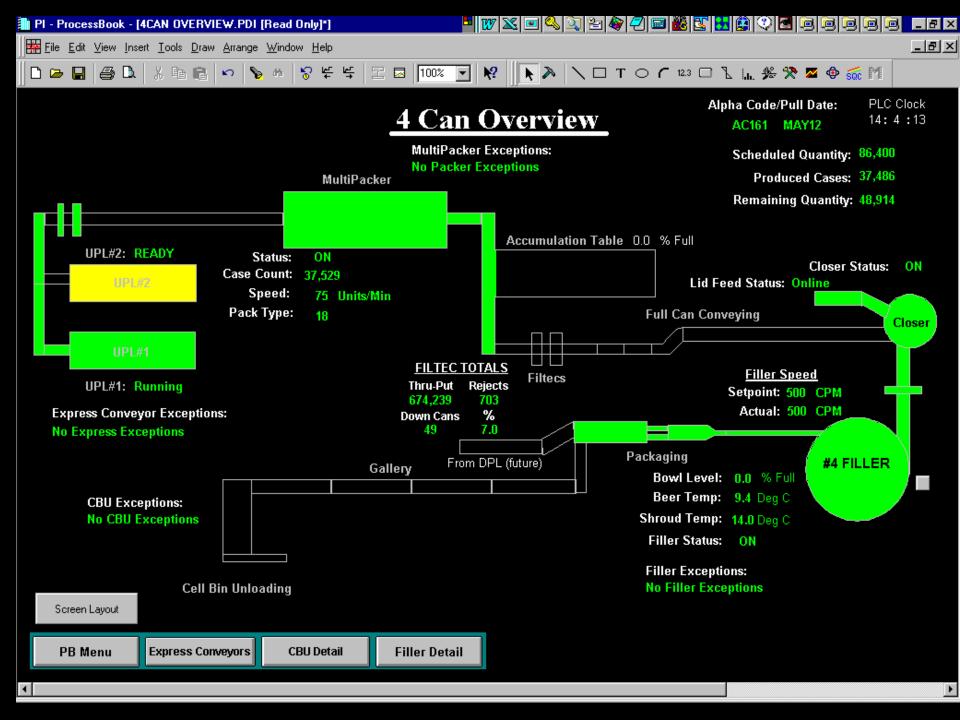


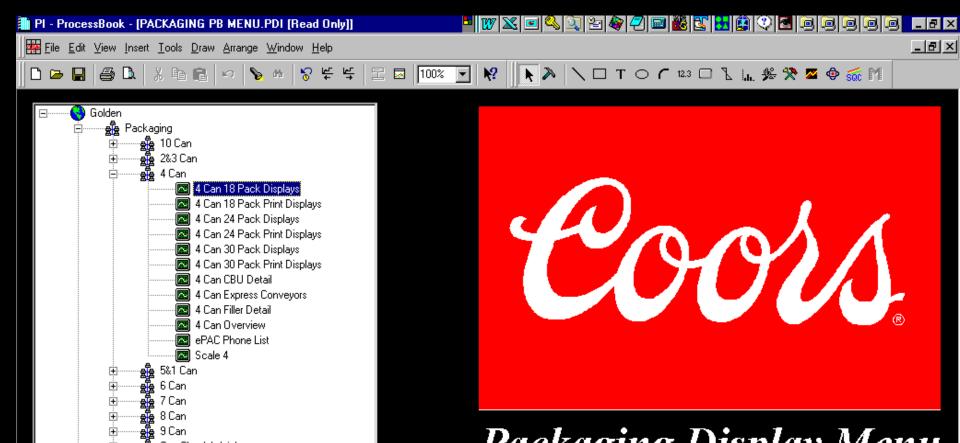
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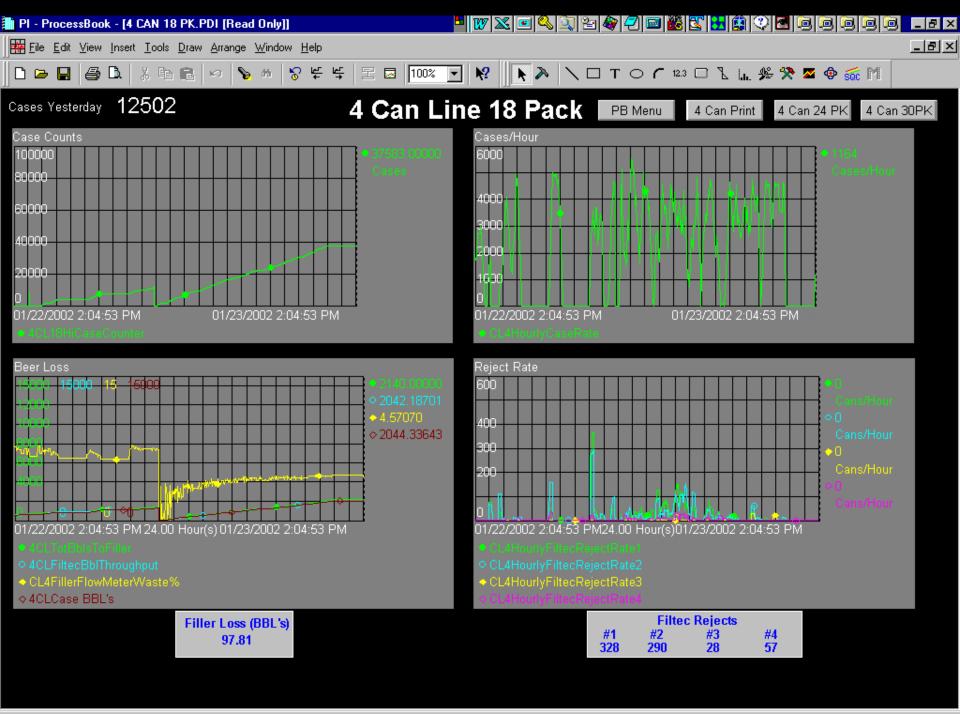


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Packaging Display Menu





The Details

- Factory Floor Process Book Shortcut Points to Menu.PDI File on Network Server
- Each Process Book Display Has a Button That Points Back to the Menu.PDI File
- Process Book Displays Also Have Buttons
 That Point to Other PDI Files in the Group

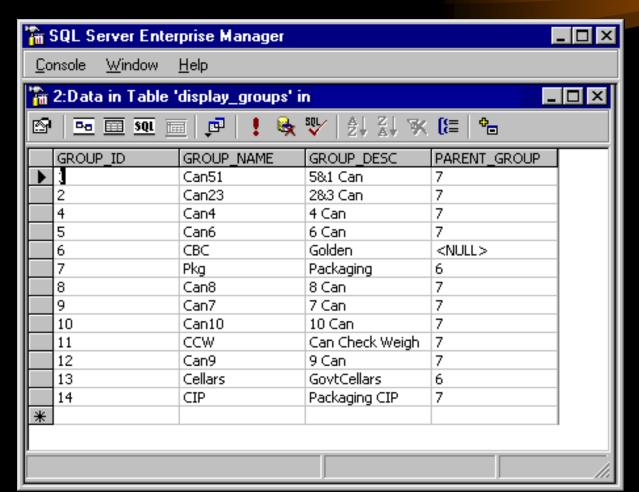
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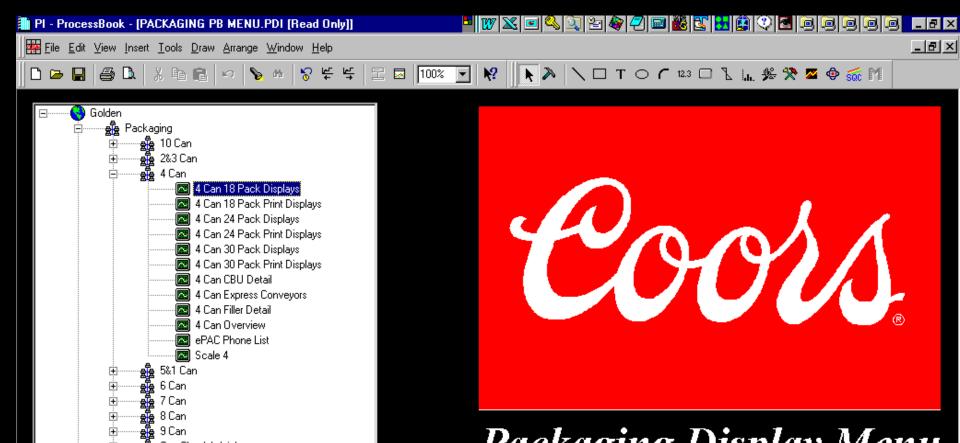
- We Initially Built a Fully Functional ActiveX Control Embedded into the Process Book Display
- For Ease of Deployment We Moved the ActiveX Code into VBA and Placed it in the Process Book Display

The Details (Cont'd)

- Database Tables:
- » Display_Groups Table Defines Main Node and Branches
- » Displays Table Defines Node Description, Path to PDI Files, PIW Or Doc File, Branch to which it is attached, Type of File and File Name

display_groups Table





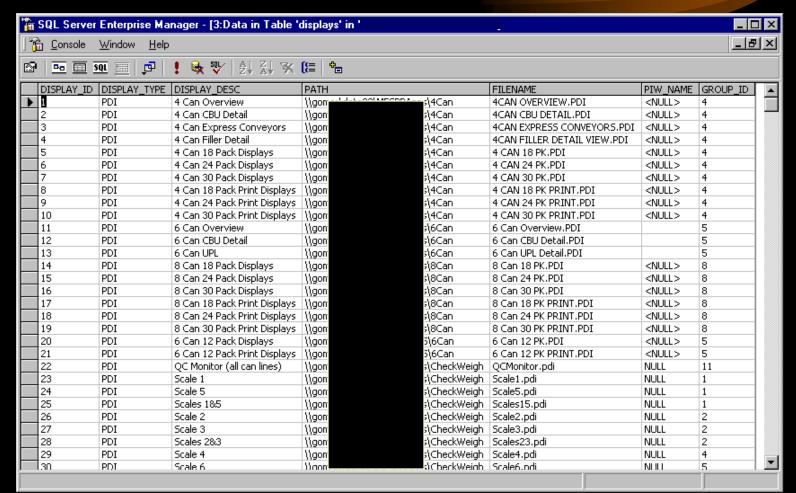
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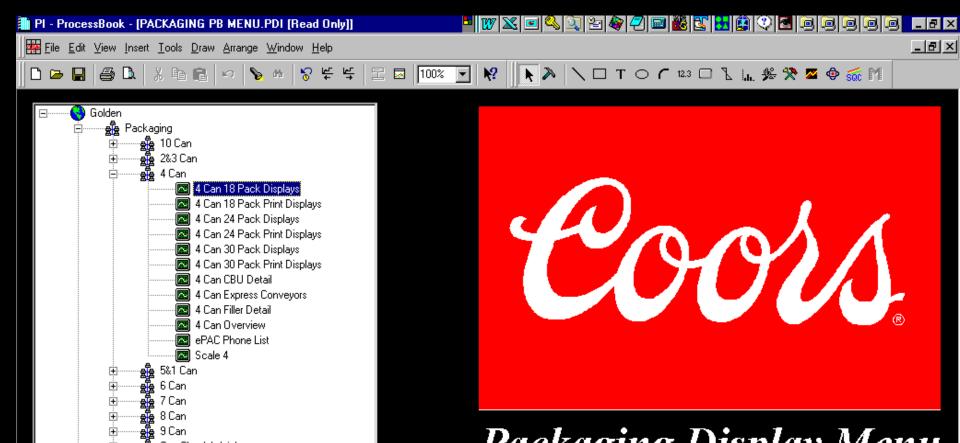
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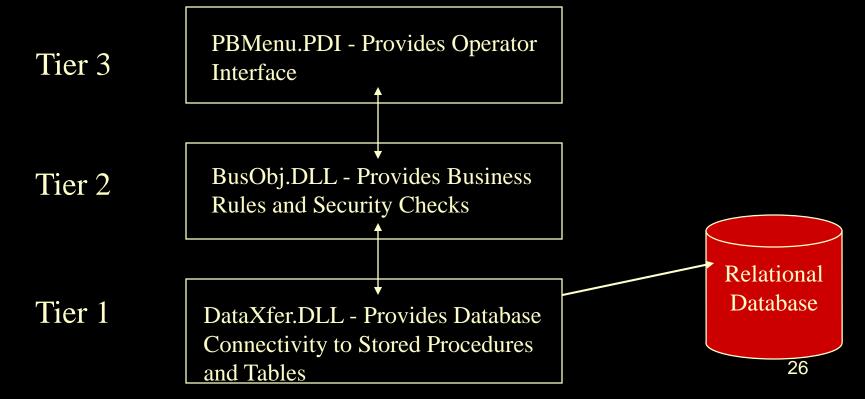
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Details (Cont'd)

 We Used Multi-Tier Architecture to Access Data From the SQL Server Database



The Details (Cont'd)

- Load Tree View Menu at Startup of Menu.PDI File - Database is Accessed Only Once
- Each Node of the Tree View Contains All Information Needed to Access the Displays (Path, Description, Filename and File Type
- Click Event on Tree View Branch Opens File (PIW or PDI)

Conclusion

- PDI Files Easier to Maintain When Stored on Network Drive Instead of Locally
- Tree View Menu Provides Integration of all PDI Files in Each Production Area
- File Paths are Hidden From Operators
- Expandability is Achieved by Incorporating the 3 Tier Architecture Approach

Questions???