

Monitoring a Pipeline and Sharing Data with Key Customers

How to do this when you own the pipeline but do not operate it!!

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Company Background



- ChevronTexaco/Enron JV formed March 2001 (not subject to Enron Chapter 11)
- Headquartered in Houston, TX
- 1,000+ miles of natural gas pipeline in southern Louisiana
- World's single largest salt dome cavern 11.5 billion ft³ (bcf)
- Total gas storage capacity 32 bcf
- Working gas storage 18 bcf
- Customers industrial, process & utility companies along the Mississippi



Organizational Structure



- Bridgeline Pipeline owned by Bridgeline Holdings, operated by ChevronTexaco Pipelines
- Organizational structure



IT function

- Develop, acquire & maintain business systems



Focus on IT Function



Organizational structure

IT Manager – Bert Stipelcovich

- Networks – Bert Stipelcovich

- Trading systems - Bert Stipelcovich

- Financial systems - Bert Stipelcovich

[–] Phone system – Bert Stipelcovich

- Real-time systems – Bert Stipelcovich

Desktop systems – Bert Stipelcovich



Real-Time Systems – Pre-Project



- Real-time systems managed for Bridgeline by ChevronTexaco Pipelines
- Data sources meter stations and compressor stations distributed along the length of pipeline
- Communication by RTU
- Local data collection by RTAP SCADA system – direct access available for Bridgeline
- Data historized by PI (Unix Version) no direct access for Bridgeline



Pre-Project Systems Architecture

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- Objectives
 - Access to ChevronTexaco PI database
 - Securely share PI data with key customers
 - Meter station flow vs nomination
 - Overall pipeline health
 - Outsource implementation and support
- Selected Industrial Evolution
 - OSI relationship and ownership
 - Proven track record
 - Favorable pricing



Project Scope of Work



- Identify Bridgeline portion of ChevronTexaco Pipelines' PI System
- Establish secure connection between ChevronTexaco and Industrial Evolution
- Synchronize Industrial Evolution PI System with ChevronTexaco's
- Implement PI connection from Bridgeline to Industrial Evolution PI System
- Implement Web-based access to Industrial Evolution PI System for Bridgeline customers





Project Phases

- Set up VPN between Industrial Evolution and ChevronTexaco
- Make PI-to-PI connection
- Test communications and system loading
- Set up VPN between Industrial Evolution and Bridgeline
- Set up remote access to PI for Bridgeline using ProcessBook & DataLink
- Set up Web-based remote access to PI for Bridgeline customers using PI-ICE



Solution Architecture





ChevronTexaco Implicit Obectives



- PI System data integrity
 - Bridgeline only 1 of 3 pipelines managed by ChevronTexaco
 - All 3 companies' data historized on same PI System
- Security
 - ChevronTexaco network
 - Bridgeline Pipeline data
 - Other pipelines' data
- System loading acceptability
 - Bridgeline database size 35,000 tags
 - Plan to synchronize databases every minute



Test Procedures - VPN



- Confirm tunnel established between ChevronTexaco (CT) & Industrial Evolution (IE)
 - Each party pinged the other
- Confirm tunnel re-establishes upon disconnect
 - IE disconnect network cable from router to VPN hardware
 - Wait 10 minutes to confirm no connectivity
 - CT confirm IPSec tunnel down
 - Reconnect cable
 - Wait 10 minutes for for connectivity to be re-established
 - CT & IE confirm IPSec tunnel is up.
- Confirm bandwidth 1 MB; 50MB
 - CT create a 1 MB ASCII file
 - CT sent file to IE ftp site (simulates the "push" mechanism)
 - IE view/download the test file.
 - IE & CT note transfer rate and time.
 - Repeat with large test file (50 MB)



Test Procedures – PI-to-PI



- Data integrity test
 - CT configure the PI-to-PI interface and the associated tag attributes on the appropriate PI servers
 - IE replicate the configuration on IE PI servers
 - CT start the interface.
 - CT verify log file on the CT PI server (pitopi.log), to ensure that "0 errors for XXX tags" where XXX is the number of tags configured for the PI-to-PI interface
 - IE confirm that the PI-to-PI interface connecting normally.
 - CT & IE confirm acceptable load on CT & IE servers by doing a top command
 - Bridgeline verify data integrity on both servers (i.e. validate that they received what was sent)



Test Procedures – Data Recovery



- Shutdown test 60 mins; 48 hrs
 - CT manually shutdown interface for 2 hours and restart it
 - CT verify log file on the PI server (pitopi.log)
 - CT confirm that interface re-connecting normally
 - Bridgeline verify data integrity on both servers
 - IE use SMT to verify the archives are identical
- Reboot test
 - IE reboot IE PI server
 - CT verify that interface is automatically reconnecting
 - CT & IE confirm acceptable load on both servers
- Source PI System Failover Test
 - CT fail live PI Server to the backup source server
 - CT verify that interface is automatically reconnecting
 - CT & IE confirm acceptable load on both servers
- Endurance Test repeat for 48 hours



Test Procedures – Load Test



- Load test
 - Repeat above for 1,000 tags/min
 - Repeat above for 5,000 tags/min
 - Repeat above for 15,000 tags/min
 - Repeat above for 35,000 tags/min



Test Procedures – Conclusion



- Conclusion
 - 12 PI-to-PI interfaces running at maximum load
 - No major impact on ChevronTexaco PI System CPU with





Bridgeline Customer Access



- AnyWhere/AnyTime data access
 - Login from any internet-connected PC
 - 318 meter stations monitored
 - Pipeline scheduler enters nominations into ChevronTexaco's PI System each day
 - Bridgeline has 80+ customers
 - Each user is authorized to see his local meter station
 - Current data
 - Historical data vs nomination
 - Trends







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C92B	34.4	rpm x1000		
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Conclusion



- Project has been live 1 year
 - Performance excellent
 - Security well-handled and no accepted
- 5 customers on-line now
- Target is 80+
- Bridgeline plans to increase its investment in PI
 - Buy own PI System for internal use
 - Still use Industrial Evolution for secure sharing with customers

