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Agenda

- Program Overview / Agenda
- Discuss crushing station automation
 - ✓ Automation needs
 - ✓ Automation benefits
- Show some examples & results
 - ✓ Pay backs
 - ✓ Data evaluation



Automation

Audience Survey

- How many of you have some form of automation in your plants today?
- How many of you have some form of automation on your cone crushers today?
- How many of you really understand how the automation works and the importance of it in your plants today?











Why Automation

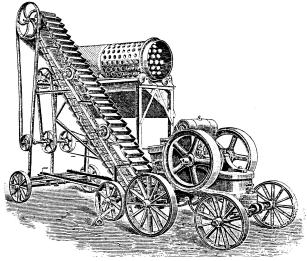
- Repetitive conditions
- Free up man power
- Increase reaction time
- Control a system remotely
- Increase efficiency of a system
- Maximize efficiency of a piece of equipment
- Increase product quality
- Protect capital investment
- Optimize a particular product
- Monitoring operation
- Data gathering

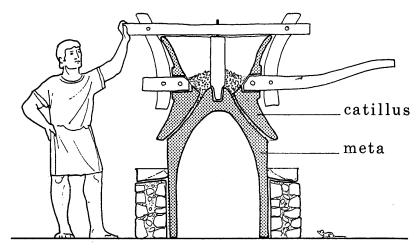




From early dawn















WHY AUTOMATE YOUR CONE CRUSHER?

- Realize a higher return on your investment.
 - ✓ Higher net production of desired products
 - ✓ Optimum power utilization
 - ✓ Continuous generation of quality products
- Protection of your investment
 - ✓ Constant overload protection
 - Continuous adjustment compensating for changes in material characteristics
 - ✓ Ability to analyze operational data





Monitor and Control Available at the push of a button





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Closed Side Setting

Horsepower in use

Power consumption

Load Time

Operating time

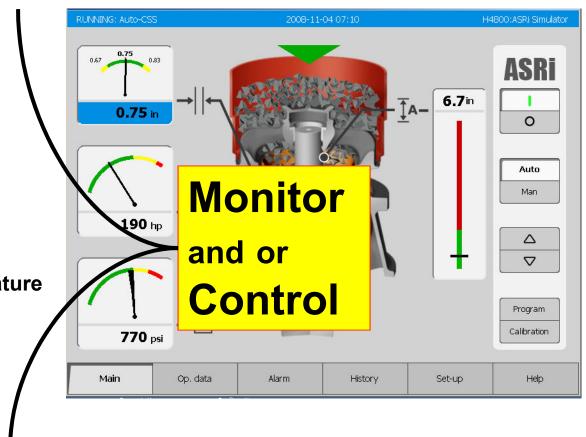
Hydraulic Pressure

Lubrication Oil temperature

Liner Wear

Recorded data

•Graphing data

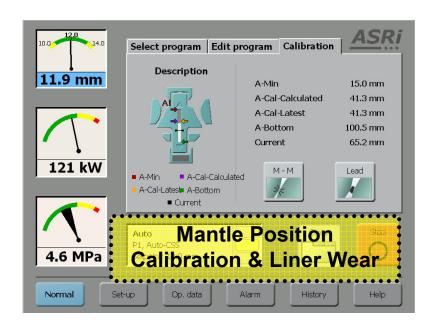


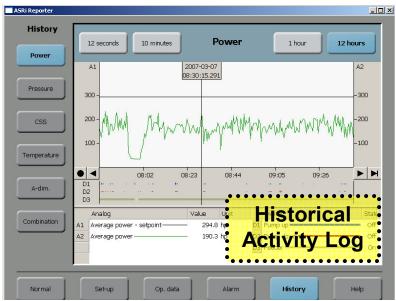


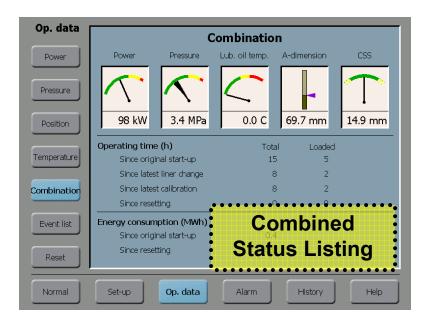
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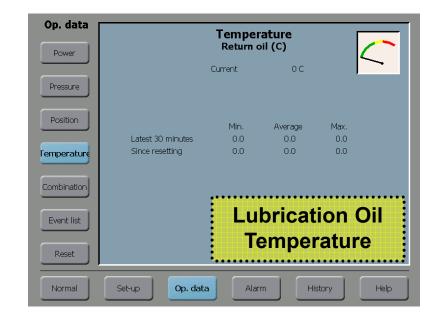
- Other things to consider
 - ✓ Automation mode vs Manual mode
 - ✓ Durability of use
 - ✓ Is the tool easily used



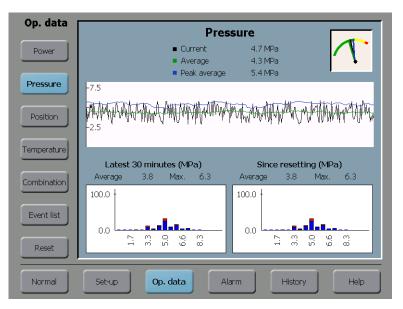


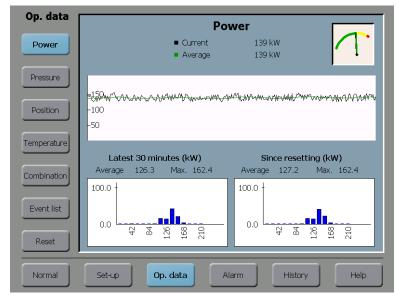


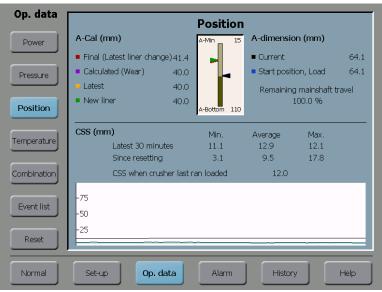




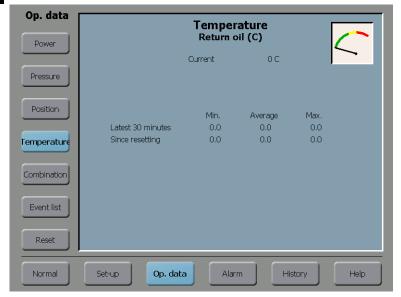






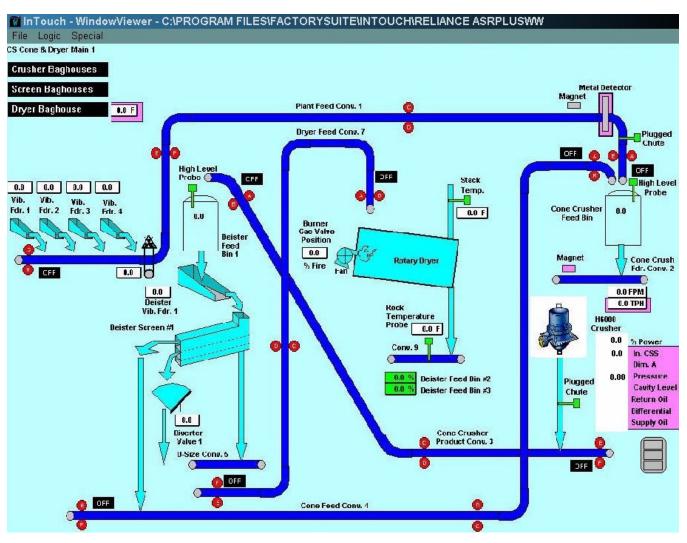


Historical Activity Logs

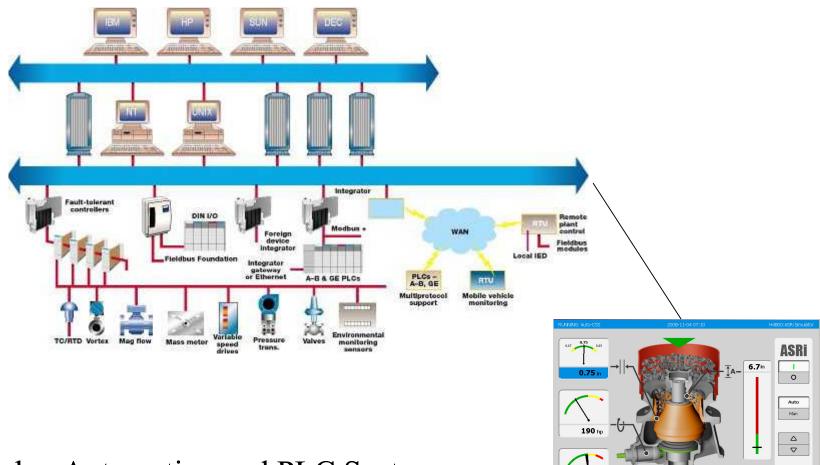




Detailed and comprehensive crusher data is easily available with a click of the mouse.



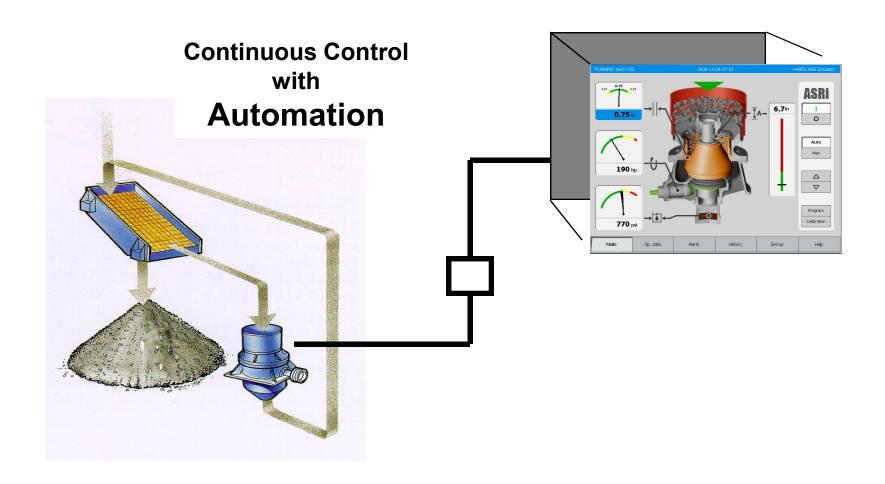




770 psi

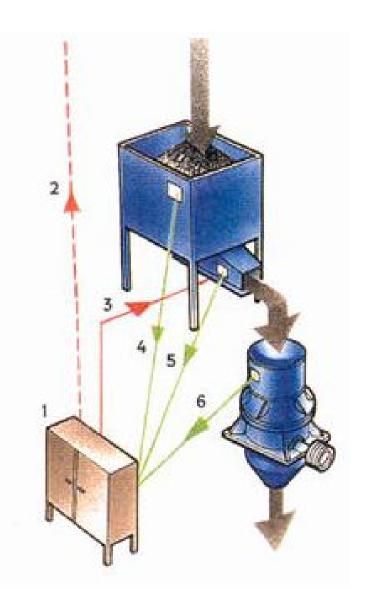
Crusher Automation and PLC System







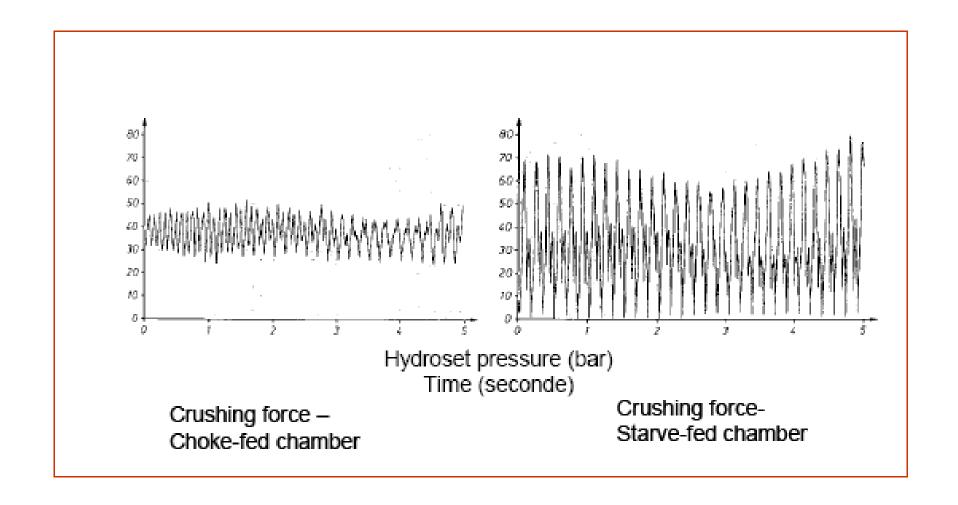
- 1. Switch gear unit
- 2.Stop signal to feeder
- 3. Control signal to feeder
- 4.Max. level in surge bin
- 5.Min. level in surge bin
- 6.Max. level in crusher feed hopper













Poor Feed





Better Feed





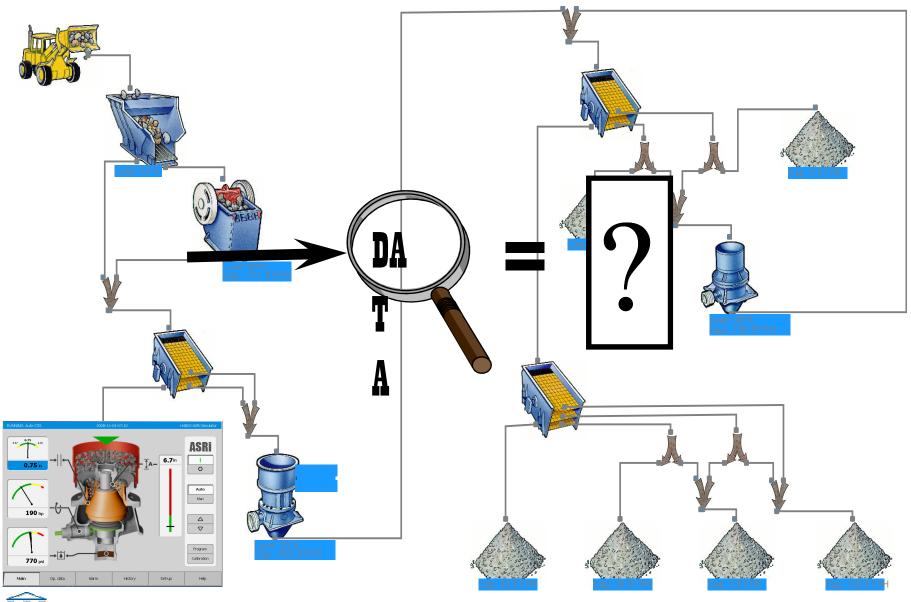


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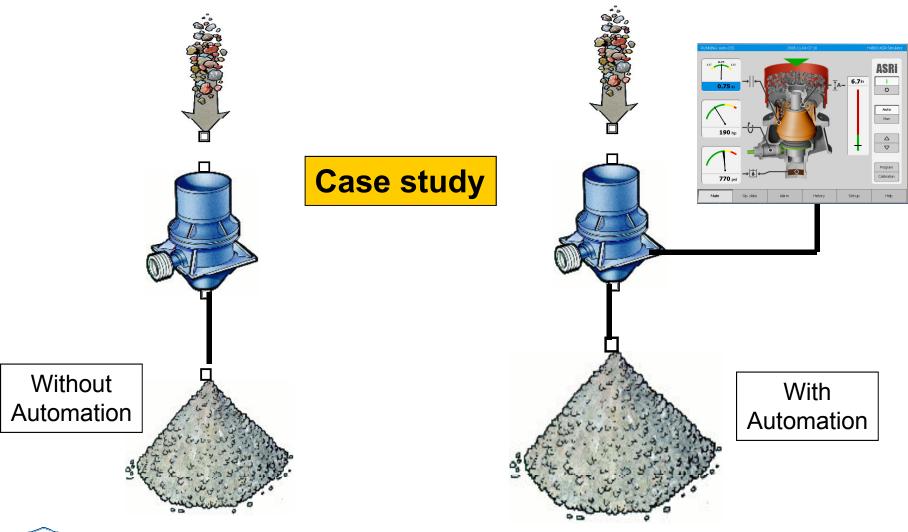






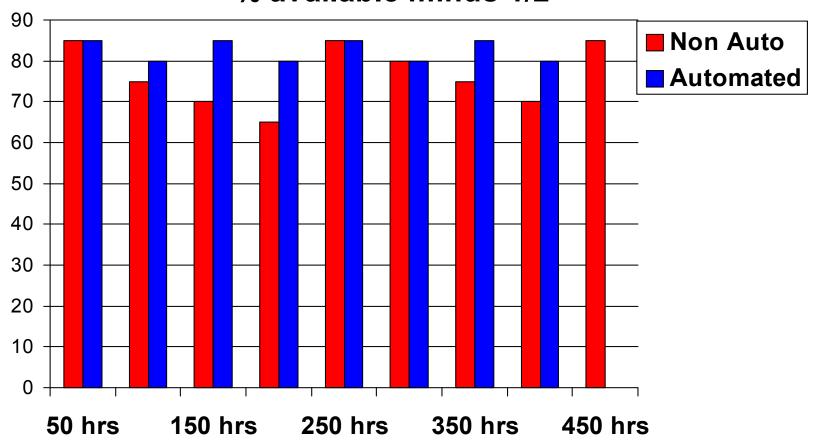


Automation can work for you





Crusher Discharge % available minus 1/2 "





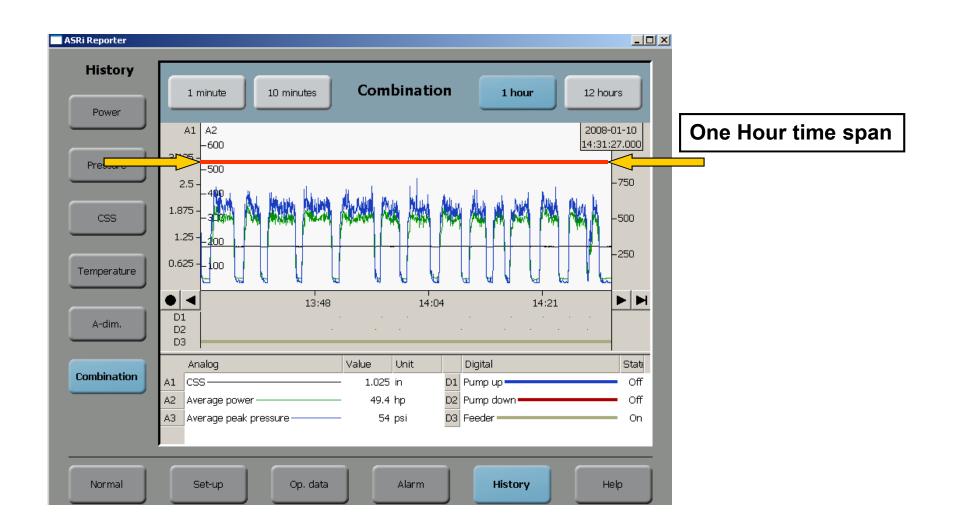
The advantages



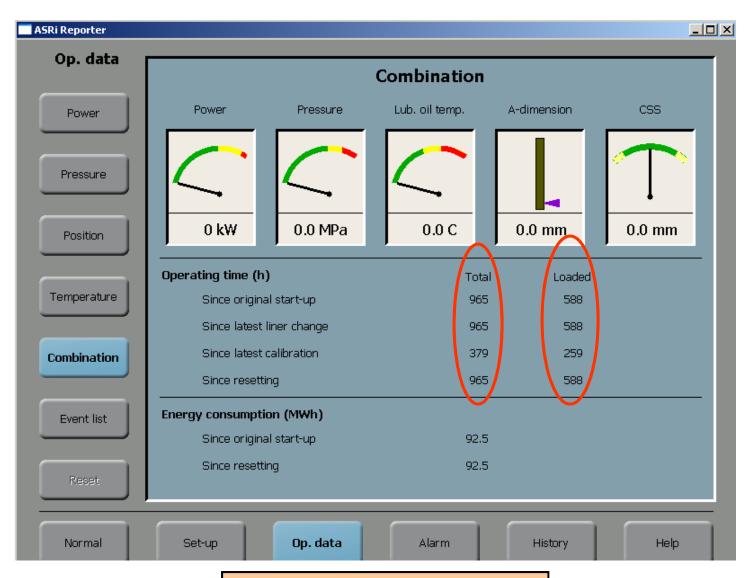
- > Can operate choke-fed and utilize the maximum motor power.
- > The reduction increases.
- The product shape gets better
- The liner life increase
- Mechanical life of components & machine increase
- Overloading protections
- An automated crusher looks after it self

Automation crusher produces 10 tons more of desired product and 33 tons less over size



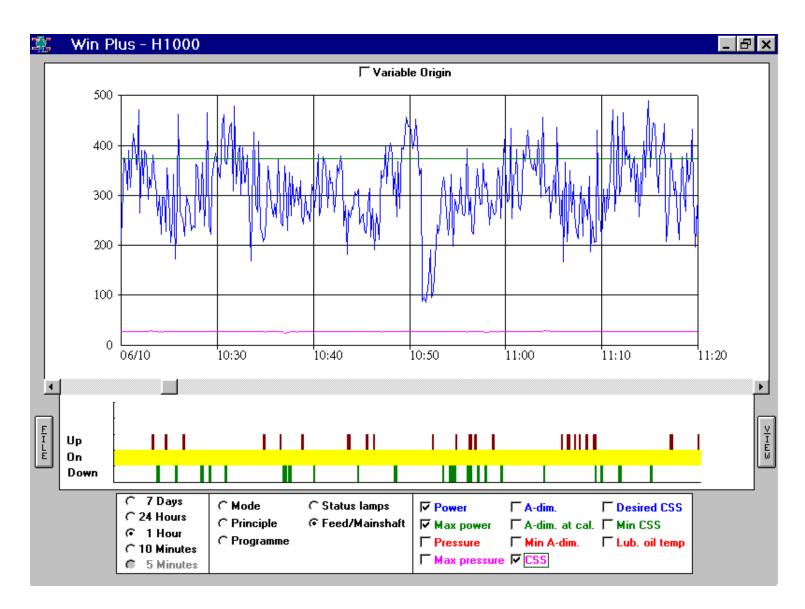




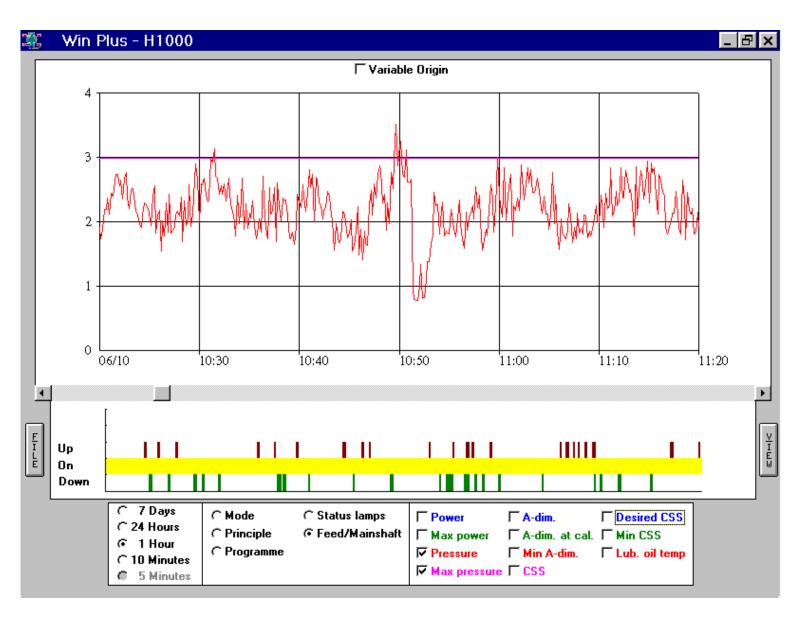




Loaded 66% of each hour









Summary

- In summary automation of a compression crusher will provide:
- Higher net production of desired products
- Optimum utilization of motor power
- Continuous adjustment of setting to compensate for feed conditions.
- Full utilization of the units capacity
- Constant overload protection
- The ability to analyze operating data
- The opportunity to monitor the unit from remote location.



FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The new handheld, high performance computers will give remote access and allow distant control through mobile phones and Internet. It may be possible to for example to control an automated mobile cone crusher from an office, using a hand held computer, on the other side of the globe.

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Future of Automation

There are many on-line size sampling systems available today. Whether by mechanical means, or by photo thechnology.

With this ability to sample it is possible to use a control loop in conjuction with and automated crusher station to complete the system and become closer to full automation.

Service in a box....?

Automatic wear indication.....?

Automatic Parts Re-Order.....?







Context for all Presentations:

- Why are we presenting the material we propose to cover?
- Where does it fit in the value chain?
- How does it impact total cost / value enhancement/safety issues?
- What is the specific informational take-away for student for application in his quarry?
- What does this presentation deliver to the student?
- Answer the following questions in the mind of the student:
 - ✓ What? (What is being covered)
 - ✓ Now What? (What do I do now with this information)
 - ✓ So What? (What is the significance of this knowledge or action)

