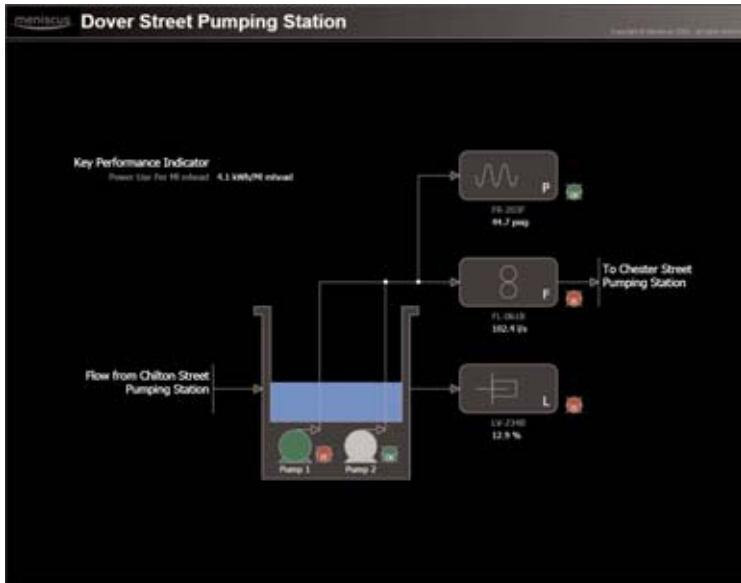


Web Services

Calculation engine uses Web Services to communicate with a range of client applications to access, set up or display data.

Includes PC Client for easy set up on desktop, mobile client for entering and viewing data on Windows CE mobiles/PDS's, comprehensive web site and Dynamic Dashboards—custom designed Dashboards, run under MS Silverlight™ within a standard web browser, that are automatically updated making them excellent for corporate display of important information.

Using Web Services enables our customers to incorporate IPMS data directly within their own intranet web site or internal applications.



Example of Silverlight™ SCADA style Dynamic Dashboard available from www.meniscus.co.uk

Dynamic Dashboards

Dynamic Dashboards are designed to run 24/7 communicating business critical information to customers and employees.

Each Dashboard is developed for your application and uses MS Silverlight™ to provide excellent graphics capabilities making information visually stimulating.

Dynamic Dashboards can be deployed quickly and easily using Click Once technology making it possible to use the same Dashboard for multiple sites.

New information is streamed to the Dynamic Dashboard on a scheduled basis or as new information becomes available. Because the Dashboards use processed data (rather than the calculations in the Dashboard) making changes to the calculations is simply a question of changing the calculation for the Data Item and this can be done from the IPMS web site.

Bureau Service

As well as delivering IPMS as a stand alone product, Meniscus can provide a complete Bureau Service using IPMS hosted on our own servers.

This Bureau Service includes setting up the database as well as managing the application, sending out e-mail alerts, scheduling the output of management reports in addition to the provision of consultancy services to analyse data and identify cost saving opportunities.

The Bureau Service provides a cost effective way to use IPMS for the small to medium sized business. For larger companies it provides a phased development path that lets you evaluate the application with little business risk. Instead of buying the software you pay a monthly charge for the number of Data Items set up in IPMS.

There is a handy cost calculator on the Meniscus web site www.meniscus.co.uk

System Requirements

The IPMS calculations engine runs on Microsoft platforms specifically Windows Server 2003 and 2005 and requires .NET Framework 3.5 Service Pack 1.0 installed.

The IPMS database uses SQL Server 2005.

Dynamic Dashboards run in the majority of web browsers and requires .NET Framework 3.5 Service Pack 1 and MS Silverlight™ installed.

The IPMS web site runs on IIS 5, 6 or 7 and runs in the majority of web browsers.

The IPMS PC Client runs on Windows PC platforms including XP and Vista.

The IPMS Mobile Client run on Windows CE 5.0 and above compatible devices.

Meniscus Systems Ltd is an independent service business set up to maximise the value from data that companies collect on a day to day basis.

Our service objectives are to help our customers reduce operating cost and operating risk by using available data to calculate performance metrics about their processes.

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