Induced/Forced Draft Fans (ID/FD Fans)

MACHINE HEALTH SOLUTION

THE PROBLEM:

Induced & Forced Draft Fans are crucial to the Power Generation process. Failures on these assets can be costly as it can take a considerable amount of manpower to replace. Unexpected downtime from an Induced and/or a Force Draft Air Fan can get expensive, very fast.



COST OF ASSET FAILURES

\$250,000 per Failure Event in Equipment Costs

SAVINGS POTENTIAL

Reduce Maintenance Routes by **50%**

Up to \$20,000 per Hour of Unplanned Downtime, Depending on Unit Output

Upwards of **\$300,000** in Total Cost Savings for One Failure Avoidance

ASSET BLIND SPOTS:



Challenge #1: Forced / Induced Draft Fans are generally larger in size which puts relatively small data anomalies low on the priority list without continuous monitoring.



Challenge #2: Diagnosing fault types without precision can result in unnecessary work & increase the already costly Mean Time Between Failure (MTBF).



Challenge #3: Time-based protocols do not provide the insight necessary for full maintenance & process optimization.

A NEW APPROACH TO Monitor Cooling Towers



Current Reality:

Routes are often time consuming due to the equipment location on-site, making time and route-based monitoring to detect bearing faults, balance/alignment issues, and motor faults not an efficient way to monitor and optimize ID/FD Fan maintenance.

New Solution:

Implement a condition-based maintenance program by installing vibration nodes to key monitoring points on the motor and fan to detect issues in the asset the moment they occur.

Image 2: 250 HP Induced Draft Fan

HARDWARE

- 2 Motor Vibration Sensors
- 2 Fan Vibration Sensors
- 1 Motor Voltage Sensor*
- 1 Motor Current Sensor*
- Integrate Other Relevant Data Available (Dampener Position, Load, etc.)

*Continuous MCSA Coming Soon!



- 24/7 Continuous Monitoring
- Warning and Alarm Threshold Settings
- Custom Built Indicators
- Dashboards
- Monthly Reports

REAL-TIME DATA

- Comprehensive Machine Health
 - Vibration
 - Temperature
 - Current and Voltage ranges
 - Running Speed
 - VFD Settings
 - Gearbox ratios
 - Oil Quality

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