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The Application Note

InBatch production control system project in Phthalic Paints Department on the Wonderware platform.

The first step in the InBatch control system implementation was the preparation, based on concepts agreed with the Investor, of the new technological scheme including the entire set of devices taking part in the production process realization such as tanks, mixers, valves along with the complete piping. Thanks to this, it was possible to prepare all accessible connections between system component devices. This was absolutely necessary for the control system to use the production resources entirely.

Secondly, based on the conversations with technologists and the production process observation, the concepts were prepared to create the InBatch system's new model. The trial version of model was implemented on InBatch server in the supplier's headquarter. The Investor's technologists along with our employees began to prepare the production recipes on this model. The corrections of the technological model were made in real time during the recipes production process to maximally adjust the model to the plant's needs. Technologists could learn how to operate the new system before its implementation.

The Investor's technologists along with our programmers prepared the technological model which the technological phases were generated and later implemented in the PLC controller.

Our programmers prepared the software engine which enables simple and fast InBatch technological model implementation. The PLC objective software structure in connection with the platform dedicated objects enables, greatly, to automate the application preparation process. The software structure enables, if necessary, the already working application development.

The prepared system has the possibility to simulate the particular devices work without controlling the device process. Thanks to this, the newly created recipes can be tested before the production process implementation.

All Wonderware Platform applications (IOSerwer, ApplicationServer, Historian, WIS, GR) and InBatch software were installed on operating systems working in the virtual mode. This solution minimizes the production process brakes in case of hardware failure. All what is necessary is the new server with virtual machines work mode. It is not necessary to have Wonderware platform and InBatch software (including all software components) installed on the new computer.

The described system was entirely virtualised on our server in VMware mode before the implementation. Thanks to this, we possess the exact system copy which enables the entire production process simulation.

Due to the virtualisation, the whole system has been precisely tested along with all process phases and even ready recipes. It is valuable help in both cases, while carrying FAT test and its implementation as well as further, possible system modifications. This work model enabled to implement and commission the IT system in the plant within two days. The hardware was precisely checked at the same time with the normal production process without disturbances.

The described system includes: 1100 transfer phases (doses) and 850 process phases (mixing, recirculation, earning). The number of variables between PLC and InBatch: 65 000, between Wonderware platform and PLC: over 15 000 and between Wonderware platform and InBatch - 3000.

The project has been carried out within 4 months.

The few of the system visualisation screens are presented below:



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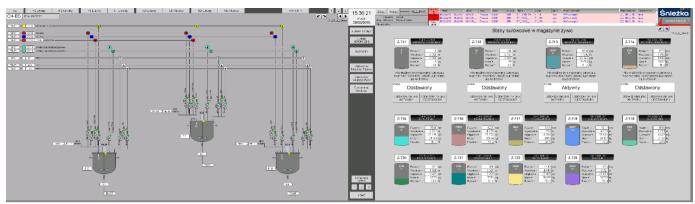
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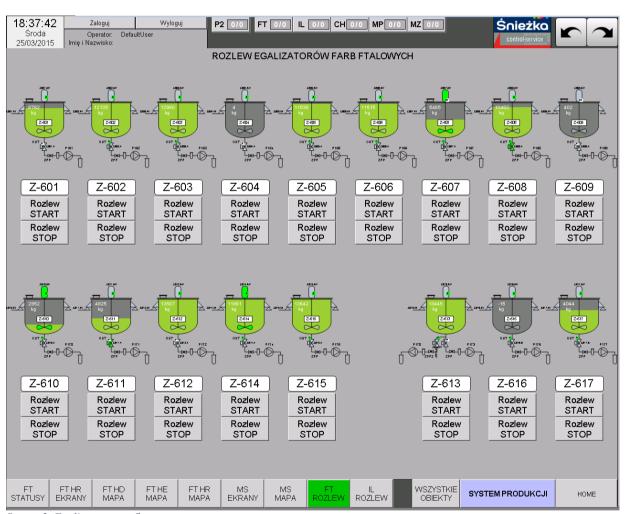
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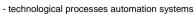


Screen 1. Egalizators and row materials status.



Screen 2. Egalizators overflow.





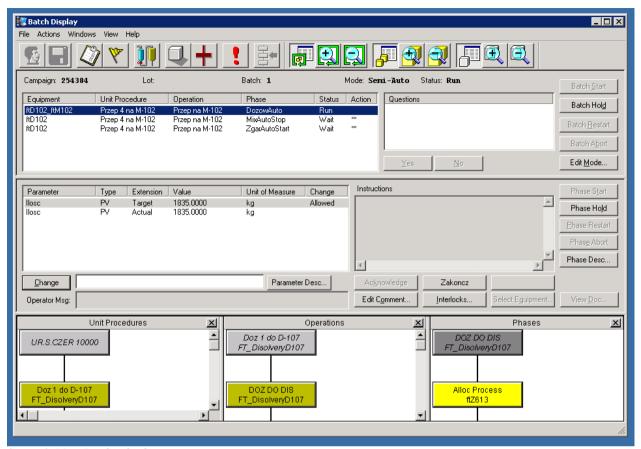
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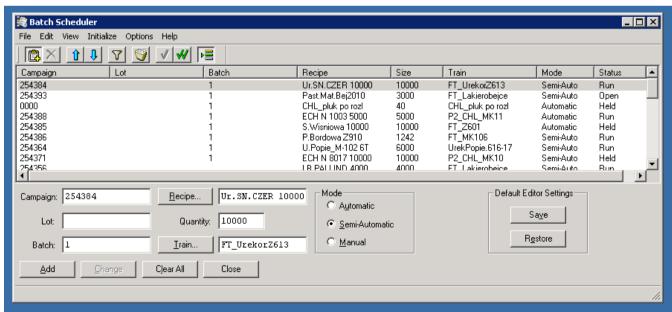
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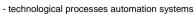


Screen 2. Main Batch's display.



Screen 3. Batch Scheduler.

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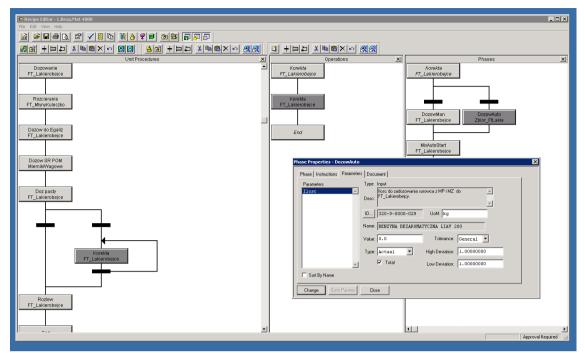


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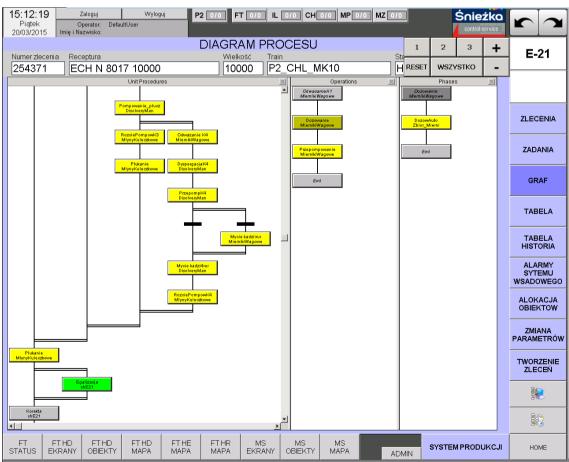
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Screen 4. Recipe Editor



Screen 5. Process diagram

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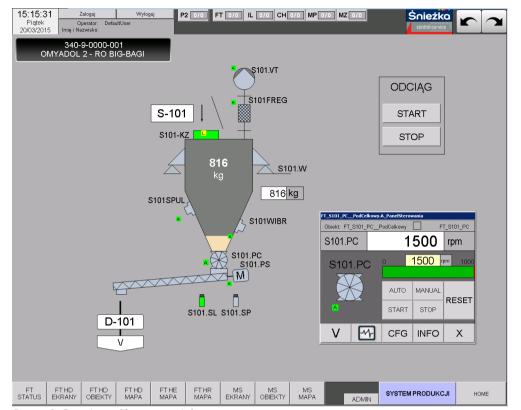


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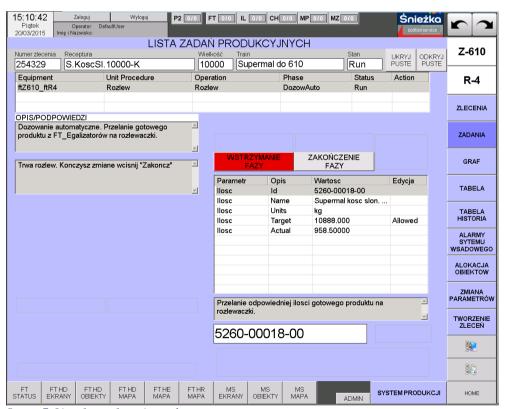


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Screen 6. Container of loose materials



Screen 7. List of manufacturing tasks

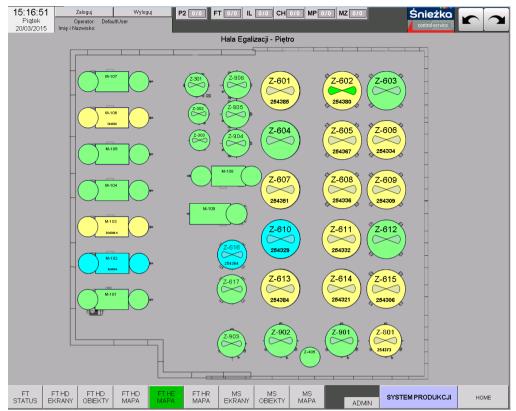
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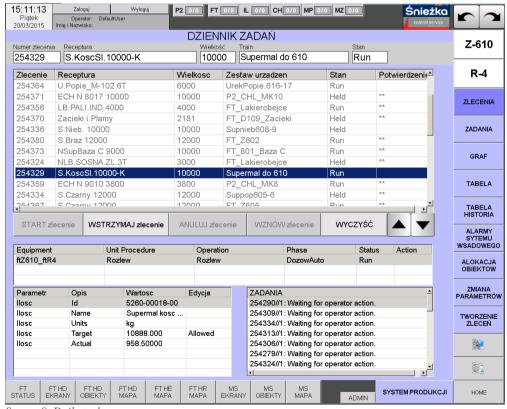


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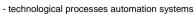


Screen 8. Equalization hall



Screen 9. Daily tasks

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