





#### **Pump Optimisation**

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#### **Thames Water Supply**

- Approx. 7.3 million water customers
- 3000 MI/day average demand
- All supplies pumped
- 34,000 km (21,000 miles) of water mains 50% in Provinces and 50% in London
- 80+ km of 2.9m dia. Drinking water Tunnel
- £8 million/year+ electricity bill
- Over 60% of that is for pumping







### **Pump Optimisation**







- Efficiencies of all large pumpsets regularly measured
- Also carry out thermal mapping and vibration surveys
- Pumps serviced and/or replaced when threshold limits reached

## **Pump Scheduling**





- Network models run every night to forecast demand patterns for the following day taking into account:
  - Historical consumption
  - Reservoir levels
  - Weather forecast
  - Mains outages
  - "Triad" event warnings
- More than one scenario produced
- Schedules of most efficient pumps drawn up

#### Monitoring





- Actual demand patterns monitored real time against predicted via Scada system
- Pumping arrangements amended to match actual demand using the most efficient pumps available
- Changes noted in the database

#### Improvements



- Since the system was implemented, some pumps have been changed from fixed speed to variable speed drives
- Network models have been refined
- New Scada system currently being installed
- New asset management system currently being set up to monitor maintenance costs





# Thank you

#### .....any questions????