

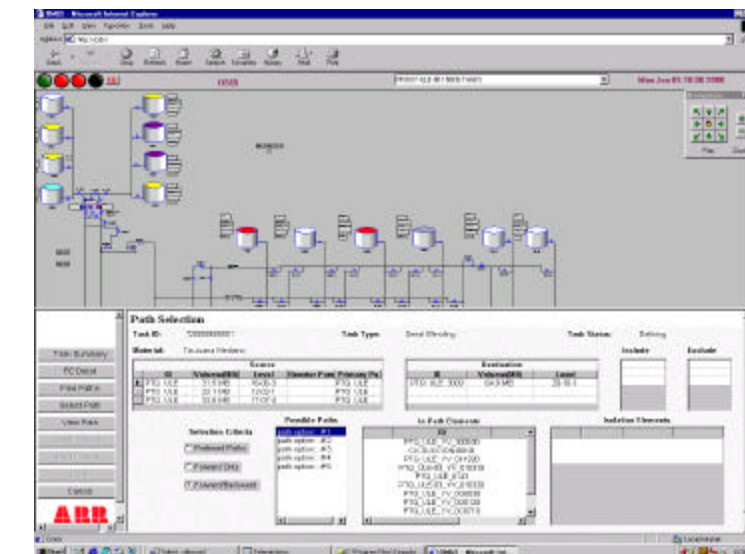
# Oil Movement and Storage Expert System for Tank Farms

**"Our role is to help refineries to reduce costs while improving your bottom line."**

Simcon Advanced Application Services, an solutions and consulting firm in the area of refinery APC, simulation and blending, has over 100 man-years of technical experience and knowledge in the applications of blending advanced control and process optimization.

Our Intelligent Oil Movement and Storage System (iOM&S) represents only one of our totally integrated solution applications. The iOM&S system is designed for refining, production, bulk terminals, petrochemicals, food and beverage, pharmaceuticals and many other industries. These systems target your particular needs to maximize your profitability.

ABB is a worldwide supplier of refinery APC and offsite automation services.



Supply chain management and control represents a key area for profit improvements in a wide range of industries. ABB's Intelligent Oil Movement and Storage (iOM&S) expert system brings valuable technology to your tank farms.

## What it means to you

ABB's iOM&S system approach reduces configuration and deployment costs. It also minimizes client support requirements, thus reducing the overall operational costs.

- ❑ Increased utilization factor for tankage, berths, pipelines
- ❑ Decreased time for product loading/unloading
- ❑ Decreased time for complete customer order execution, from receiving order to actual shipment

- ❑ Decreased inventory and quality giveaway from downgrading
- ❑ Increased manpower efficiency
- ❑ A typical 100,000 barrel/day conversion refinery with 100 storage tanks can realize \$8 to \$10 million per year in real benefits

## Functions

- ❑ Automatic path selection, line-up, start-up, control, monitoring, shutdown and reporting for:
  - Marine loading/unloading
  - Pipeline receipts/shipments
  - Tank to tank transfers
  - Unit feed/rundown
  - Blending
- ❑ Optimal path selection to:
  - Minimize manual field elements
  - Minimize displacement volume
  - Use/do not use specified field equipment
- ❑ Automatic fallback/workarounds
- ❑ Material compatibility checking
- ❑ Material balance checking
- ❑ Tank inventory management
- ❑ Interfaces to planning, scheduling, plant database



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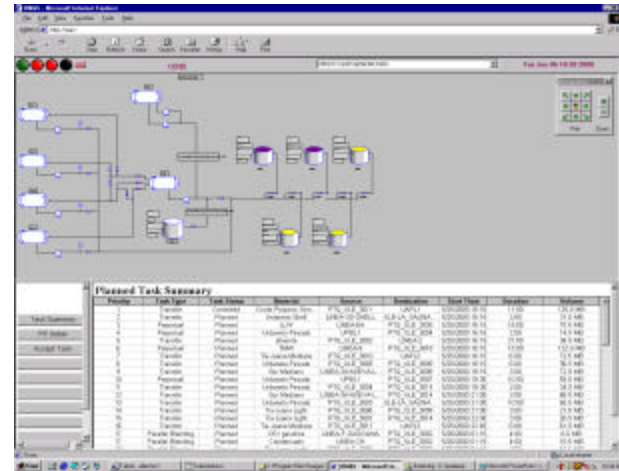
**Easy configuration.**  
**Material optimization.**  
**Fast results.**

The iOM&S application is seamlessly integrated with the ABB's Material Planning and Scheduling (MP&S) application. The results from a short term plan (a 72 hour schedule of various shipments and receipts) from the MP&S application are easily and automatically downloaded from the MP&S application and converted into the actual tasks in iOM&S.

The iOM&S uses easily configured rules and facilities topology to optimize material movement and path selection. It identifies the best use of equipment and inventories and presents its results in easy to understand graphics. All typical tank farm task types are handled.

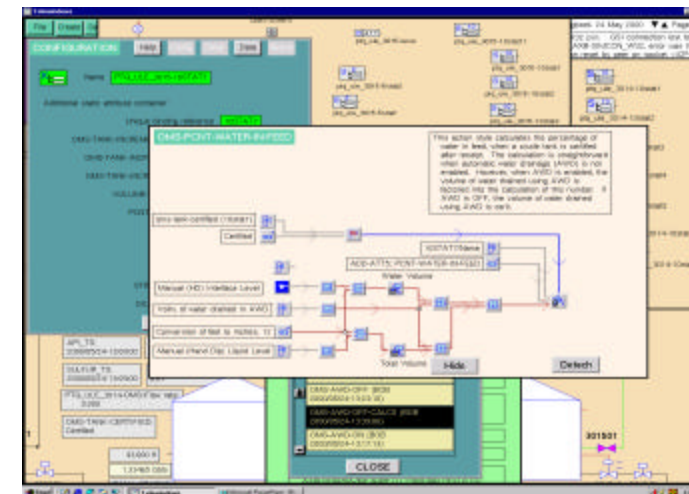
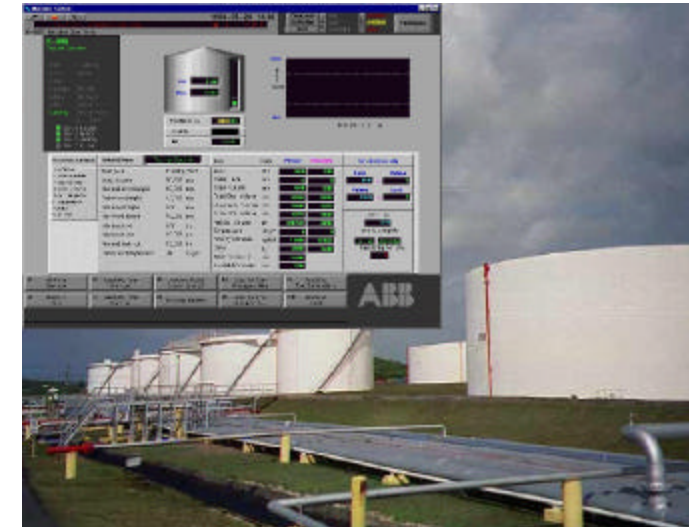
A single model topology of the tank farm is presented graphically to the process operators and any other users in much the same form as a Process Flow Diagram or Plot Plan. Equipment and tasks are intelligent "objects", generated from ABB's extensive library of customized objects for the process industry. Each object is connected to others through the iOM&S engine AIEM (ABB Intelligent Enterprise Manager). Each object understands its own relationship to every other object it is connected to. This connectivity also enables the system to understand the relationship between materials and products.

A product rundown or storage tank "understands" all existing piping to which it is connected, the piping capacities, associated valving, pumps, and instrumentation such as gauging systems, laboratory information



systems and all possible destination tanks. Associated with each object, such as tanks, pumps, valves, etc., equipment rules are designed to prevent damage, errors in use and violations of environmental regulations. Rules are also applied to objects and tasks to prevent cross-contamination, minimize degradation of product, manage inventory and provide normal operating rules for job and task execution. Special sequences can be set up to ensure that the material is displaced properly to prevent contamination, downgrading or thermal expansion that could cause equipment damage (i.e. float paths).

Optimal material movements and path selection between sources and destinations encompass rules that address issues such as product degradation, material compatibility, resident materials flushing, equipment loading, equipment commitment and utilization.



**High tech.**  
**Limited staff.**

**Technology Advantage**

- iOM&S object expert system permits the utilization of domain knowledge in every aspect of supply chain management
- Rules applied to objects and tasks provide optimal utilization of equipment and inventories
- Eliminates the need for specialized software support personnel
- A "drag and drop" and "fill in the blanks" configuration methodology permits rapid modifications and changes following initial project completion
- Library of rule objects provides simple configuration of rules to protect personnel, equipment and products

**Graphical System**

- ABB's iOM&S resides on an NT computer, under the AIEM engine
- End users such as operators, dispatchers, and supervisors access the model via a "web browser" available on all workstations
- System can be easily customized to fit their exact needs related to their operational requirements

