

Integrated blending solutions for refining and chemical

Improve quality, reduce costs, and maximize asset utilization.



Blending the right product at the lowest cost, regardless of feedstock variability? If only it were so easy.

Whether your focus is on blending fuels, crudes, lubes and greases, or specialty chemicals, meeting your production plan means making the right amount of the right product as consistently and efficiently as possible. It can be difficult to blend on-spec the first time, every time, and maintain throughput around the clock. Cost overruns can have a major impact on your business—especially if you're unable to minimize cycle times, handle changing feedstocks, prevent equipment issues, and limit the use of high-cost components. And at the same time, you must maintain a high level of operational flexibility to capitalize on changes in market demand and to ensure that you're compliant with the latest regulatory standards.

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Unpredictable batch cycle times are one of the leading issues that cause manufacturers to miss production targets. Emerson's clean-in-place solutions allow for faster, less labor-intensive cleaning procedures that can help reduce cycle times and improve asset utilization.



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Emerson's comprehensive solutions enable on-spec production with greater flexibility than ever before.



With over 50 years of experience in blending process design and automation, Emerson has the broadest portfolio of end-to-end solutions for blending and transfer applications in the industry. In addition to consulting, project management, and local product lifecycle support services, Emerson offers fully integrated, turn-key solutions tailored to help you enhance the performance and profitability of your entire blending operation. Working alongside Emerson's experts, you'll not only be able to minimize risk and reduce operator error, but also meet your production plans in any situation.





Upgrade to a more flexible and profitable fuel blending operation.

Emerson's experts can help you optimize your process for today's clean-fuels market. With online property analysis and advanced in-line blending control, you'll be able to minimize quality giveaway while reducing tankage, ensuring compliance, and reliably meeting production targets—even amid fast-changing market demand. Fuels > p5

Gain the insight needed to blend a wider array of crude feedstocks.

Emerson's crude blending services and technologies give you the process insight needed to accommodate a wider range of crudes by predicting how new crudes will impact equipment health and production decisions downstream, and by analyzing how they should be blended to fully capture their potential value.

Crudes > p9

Hit lube and grease cost and quality targets with greater consistency.

You'll find it easier to achieve faster cycle times, flexible recipe management, improved production control, and better asset utilization by relying on Emerson's experts to take your lube and grease blending operation to the next level of performance-all while reducing your infrastructure needs and eliminating waste.

Lubes and greases **>** p7

Take the guesswork out of profitable specialty chemical blending.

Emerson's blending experts are uniquely equipped to help you minimize cycle times and increase the accuracy of your specialty chemical blending batch process. You'll have the ability to improve equipment availability, reduce the need for manual intervention, eliminate bottlenecks, and achieve more right-first-time blends.

Specialty chemicals ► p11



Fuel blending Enhance operational flexibility, improve quality control, and increase throughput.

In today's highly competitive, low-margin clean fuels market, successful product blending is critical to your bottom line. At the same time, meeting production targets can be difficult due to excessive touch-up blends, lengthy QA processes, and equipment failures. High-cost components, tankage requirements, slowdowns, and quality giveaway can all impact profitability. And poor asset utilization combined with process limitations and antiguated technology can restrict your ability to meet changing market demands. By tapping into Emerson's extensive blending experience and comprehensive offering of technologies, you'll have a prime opportunity to improve throughput, reduce costs, and increase the flexibility of your fuel blending operations—all while improving overall refinery profitability.

What's your challenge?



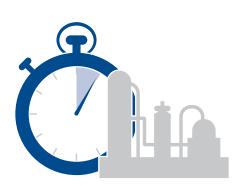
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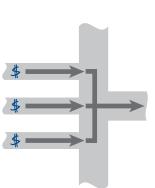
One European refinery reduced octane giveaway by 0.13 MON and RVP giveaway by 0.9 psi by upgrading its blending operation. Along with labor reductions, optimal component usage, and lab time savings, this translated into a combined savings of \$14 million in the first year.

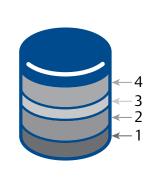
Achieve production goals by improving efficiency and throughput



In-line Blending shortens cycle times and increases the effective capacity of your blending system. ► p20

Improve profitability with a more cost-effective blending system





Blending Optimization ensures that the least-costly components are used to blend on-spec product. ▶ p15-16

Online Analysis minimizes quality giveaway by quickly and accurately measuring component properties. ▶ p15-16

Meet changing market demand by blending with greater flexibility



possible to increase operational flexibility and easily meet capacity, quality, and optimization KPIs. ▶ p13-14

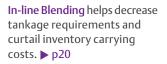




Online Analysis improves the number of right-first-time blends and lessens the time needed for lab analysis. ▶ p15-16

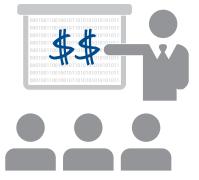


prevent equipment failures before they cause slowdowns or shutdowns. ► p15-16





Predictive Maintenance reduces maintenance overhead and helps prevent expensive slowdowns. ▶ p15-16



Integrated Digital Architecture allows you to make better business decisions at the control level and beyond. ▶ p15-16



Training helps mitigate the loss of experienced blending personnel and enhances operator productivity. ▶ p13-14



Lube and grease blending Strengthen quality control, cut costs, and improve operational flexibility.

Blending lubes and greases presents several unique challenges. Today there are increasing numbers of product and OEM specifications to meet and customers who want smaller batches, higher delivery frequencies, and shorter lead times. Hitting quality targets can be difficult due to contamination, poor process control, human error, or raw material variability. And if you're unable to respond quickly enough to changing demand because of lengthy cycle times or poor process design, you can miss the chance to make up your losses. Working with Emerson's blending experts, you'll be able to get more out of your existing assets, increase the percentage of right-first-time blends, and keep costs low, while ensuring that your operation is flexible enough to respond to changing market demand.

GUARANTEE

Guaranteed Process Design

gives you greater production

flexibility and the confidence

to maintain capacity. ▶ p13-14

Ingredient Y Ingredient Z

Integrated Process Control allows for better recipe management. > p15-16

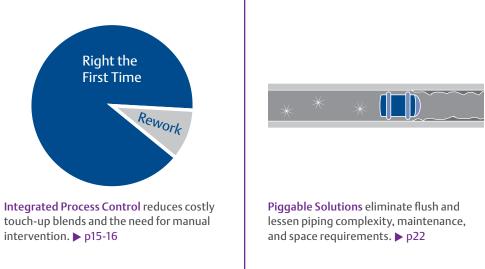


blends and improve

production control. ▶ p15-16

enables more efficient pigging and less manual intervention. ▶ p13-14

Control production costs and boost profitability



Improve operational flexibility to better meet market demand





What's your challenge?



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What's your opportunity?

A lube manufacturer increased production from 35,000 to 55,000 tons. It achieved a 68 percent capacity increase by redesigning its blending process to produce both large and small batches which enabled it to easily respond to changing market demand.

Consistently meet product quality targets

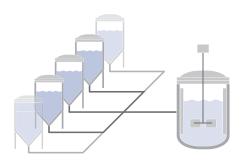




Clean-in-Place technology allows for more reliable and cost-effective cleaning of equipment. ▶ p17, 18, 21

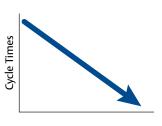


High-Accuracy Dosing Systems help eliminate manual dosing errors and enable right-firsttime blends. ▶ p17-21



Optimized Process Design helps minimize infrastructure needs, including piping and tankage. ► p13-14





Clean-in-Place solution shortens cycle times by allowing for faster changeovers and set-ups. ▶ p17, 18, 21



Piggable Solutions enable multiple successive transfers through one line without contamination. ► p22



Crude blending

Maximize the full value of a wider range of crudes while protecting your assets and maintaining capacity.

Processing lower-cost opportunity crudes has become increasingly essential to the profitability of your operation. However, as you're challenged to accurately blend a wider range of crudes with greater variability, failing to achieve the correct blend can create crude unit and downstream availability issues due to fouling and corrosion. Capturing the maximum value of opportunity crudes can be impossible without the ability to quickly adapt to new and changing feedstock properties. And often, many different crude types are blended in a single tank due to storage limitations, which can make it difficult to determine crude properties. Emerson's extensive refining expertise and crude blending solutions give you the flexibility and insight needed to overcome these challenges and meet your production goals with confidence, day in and day out.

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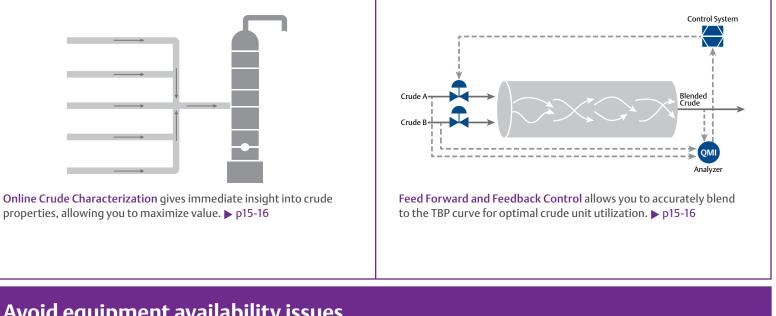
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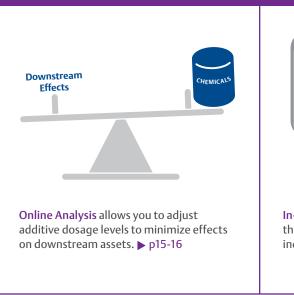
A large North American refiner projects that it will gain an additional 800 hours of capacity per year by reducing the production losses associated with the 200 crude switches it performs annually.

Accurately blend a wider range of crude feedstocks

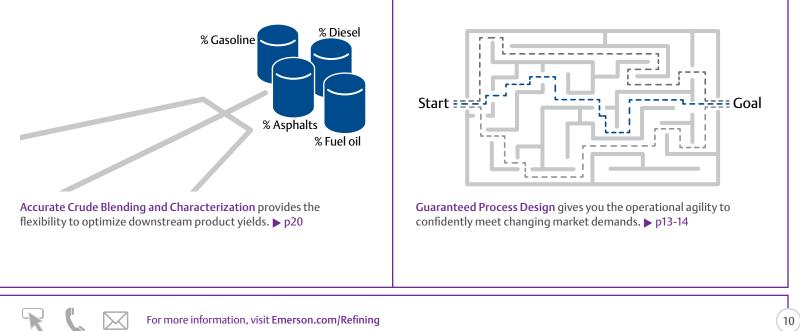


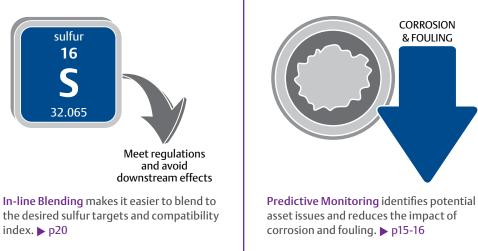
properties, allowing you to maximize value. > p15-16

Avoid equipment availability issues



Maximize the value of opportunity crudes





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Specialty chemicals blending Shorten cycle times, improve batch accuracy, and easily meet production targets.

Blending specialty chemical products requires exacting process performance. To protect your operation's profitability, you must overcome long and unpredictable blend cycle times and the need for excessive end-of-batch adjustments. Too many out-of-spec batches can have a significant impact on your margins, especially if you're also limited in your ability to meet changing market demand due to process limitations, antiquated technology, or poor asset utilization. Emerson's blending experts and expansive portfolio of blending products and services can help you eliminate bottlenecks and gain greater recipe control while hitting production targets with improved operational flexibility and less need for manual intervention.

Achieve shorter and more consistent batch cycle times



Batch Control Systems improve recipe management and help ensure on-time batch set-ups. ▶ p15-16

Increase the number of on-spec batches

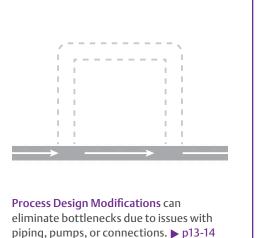
Minimize Variability



Process Insight gives you a clearer picture of each batch process and helps minimize product variability. ▶ p15-16

Piggable Transfer prevents cross-contamination during transfers. ▶ p22

Meet rapidly-changing production requirements



Clean-in-Place solutions can dramatically reduce the complexity and duration of cleaning. ▶ p17, 18, 21

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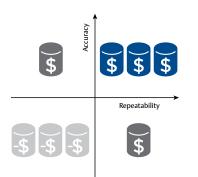


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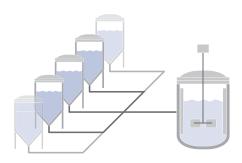


What's your opportunity?

A North American specialty chemical manufacturer collaborated with Emerson's blending experts to design and configure an in-line blending system that allows it to blend up to nine components at a time directly to tanks, trucks, or rail cars, freeing up reactor time and increasing production volume.



In-line Blending increases batch accuracy and repeatability by reducing the need for manual intervention. ► p20



Optimized Process Design allows for more compact systems while still ensuring timely blend additions. ▶ p13-14





Integrated Process Design improves repeatability and accuracy while reducing batch variability. ▶ p15-16



Accurate Measurements give you data needed to make better decisions that affect batch accuracy. ► p15-16





Optimized Process Design can increase flexibility by automating batch steps and simplifying changeovers. ▶ p13-14

From concept to commissioning and beyond— Emerson's services can put you on the path to better performance.



Optimize the design of your process

- Implement a custom engineered end-to-end solution that's right for your operation.
- Get superior process design and project management expertise all in one place.

Run safer, longer, and more efficiently

- Operate with greater certainty thanks to localized product support.
- Minimize the cost of ownership and
- prevent unplanned downtime.

Maximize your manpower

- Bridge knowledge gaps by leveraging Emerson's broad blending expertise.
- Improve the return on your technology investment with well-trained operators.

Get the expertise you need—in one trusted partner.

With so many factors that impact blending performance—and as critical as blending is to your bottom line—you need a process that's designed and able to meet production targets over its entire lifetime. Several things can stand in your way. An aging workforce means more and more experienced personnel are retiring, and their expertise is difficult to replace. Upgrading to a more automated process often involves engaging multiple vendors for design, instrumentation, controls, and construction, which can drive up project costs and increase risk. Emerson's experts can help you not only design a more optimal blending process, but also implement it and provide the end-to-end support needed to keep it profitable.

Process Design and Automation Consulting



Emerson offers three types of studies: comprehensive conceptual studies, Front End Engineering and Design (FEED), and detailed engineering studies. Emerson's blending experts work closely with you to assess your technical process requirements and can consult on everything from equipment selection and hydraulics to the right control architecture to use, project schedules, and expected ROI. For projects that include design and implementation, performance guarantees are available to give manufacturers confidence that they'll meet accuracy, capacity, homogeneity, and contamination goals. Emerson is your one-stop-shop for both process design expertise and execution.

Keep your blending operation running safely, reliably, and efficiently.

Lifecycle Services



Fulfilling a critical part of any successful blending operation, Emerson delivers maintenance and lifecycle services that help ensure the integrity of your assets and resources. Emerson's lifecycle services help reduce measurement uncertainty, ensure reliability and compliance, and minimize the cost of asset ownership throughout the entire lifecycle of your process. With the most expansive global network of support in the industry, including over 400 in-house service engineers, Emerson can serve your needs quickly with local support.

Save time and money on your blending modernization with Emerson's turn-key solutions.

Project Services



By initiating, planning, and executing all of your project deliverablesfrom scheduling and procurement to fabrication, factory acceptance testing, and commissioning—Emerson's blending project management and execution services can help you minimize risk, reduce complexity, lower costs, and simplify project execution. Working with Emerson, you'll have a single point of responsibility for your entire project, and you'll benefit from a modular turn-key approach that typically results in schedule reductions of three to four months without requiring a slowdown or shutdown.

Maximize employee effectiveness with training that can cover any workforce knowledge gap.

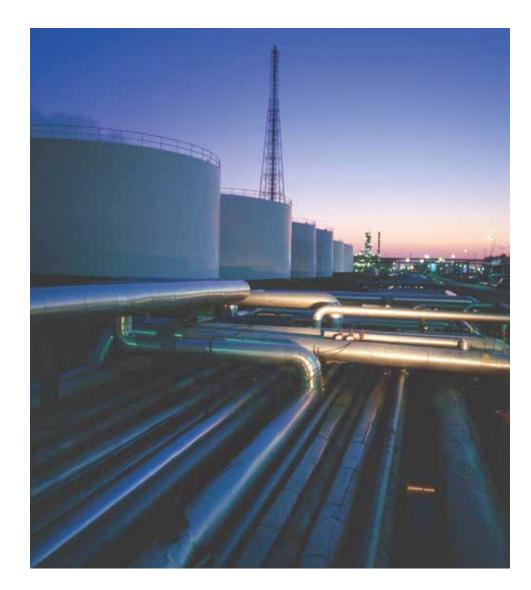
Educational Services



Today, many manufacturers are feeling the effects of an aging workforce to the point where they are in dire need of expertise and training that they can leverage quickly. Emerson offers a wide range of professional education services to help you train new hires, improve your current workforce skills, and adapt to new technologies. You'll have access to a variety of training delivery methodologies and a wide range of courses offered through regional training centers or on-site at your facility. And with well-trained personnel, you'll maximize your technology investment.

SmartProcess[™] Blend

An integrated digital automation platform that can take your operation to the next level.



Achieve right-firsttime quality

- Gain better insight into raw material quality.
- Meet production plans with more flexible recipe management.
- Ensure repeatable results with accurate and dependable measurements.

Gain greater process flexibility

- Seamlessly adapt to varying feedstocks and product specifications.
- Meet changing market demand.
- Reduce cycle times, with shorter
- periods between changeovers.

Improve throughput

- Ensure asset health with predictive maintenance.
- Get actionable data from the field to help maintain production capacity.



• Accomplish all of the control strategies required for your blender with a pre-engineered application package designed to help you make the lowest cost on-spec blend possible.



Put the power of integrated, scalable automation to work for your process.

While it typically accounts for only a small fraction of a plant's overall capital investment, automation technology is the strategic lever that helps the most profitable operations achieve top-quartile performance. Emerson's Plantweb[™] integrated digital architecture is a scalable suite of intelligent systems, instrumentation, and devices that uses the power of predictive analytics to give you unprecedented insight into your blending process. With Plantweb, you'll have access to the data and analysis you need to strengthen quality control, increase operational flexibility, improve asset utilization, reduce process variability, and make better business decisions that affect your bottom line.



before they cause costly breakdowns.

Solve your toughest blending challenges with a complete portfolio of automation technologies.

Analyzer Systems



 Minimize product quality giveaway and reduce tankage requirements with a consistent process sampling and real-time property analysis system housed in a custom-built shelter.

SmartProcess[™] Tank



• Improve inventory and property management and gain better visibility of tank status and movements to support lineups to the blender.

Integrated solution: Automatic drum decanting units



Eliminate manual errors

Ensure complete transfer of all additives using tilting devices.
Improve efficiencies and maximize additive usage in a safer, more efficient way with high-accuracy dosing technologies.

Minimize contamination

• Deploy clean-in-place capabilities that allow for automated vessel rinsing between batches, and that reduce downtime and safety concerns due to labor required to clean units.

Increase flexibility

• Accommodate additives with a wide viscosity range thanks to flexible unit design.

Integrated solution: Automatic batch blending vessels



Achieve higher accuracy, optimize additive usage, and reduce dosing time.

Small additives are a critical component of lube and specialty chemical blend recipes. Manual handling of drummed additives can be labor intensive and prone to errors since operators traditionally maneuver the heavy drums, measure the right amount, and transfer each additive into the blend. Producing on-spec products requires high accuracy dosing, combined with the right sequencing when adding components. Utilizing Emerson's automatic drum decanting units, you can ease and expedite the addition of drummed components into blending batches by automatically weighing and transferring the exact amount of required small-volume additives into the blend vessel or a pre-mix tank. By automating all steps in the process, drum decanting units drastically increase operational efficiency and safety.

Ensure higher-accuracy blending, reduce cycle time, and eliminate contamination.

Blends with complex formulas require precise measurement and sequential dosing of components to achieve product quality. These operations can require extensive operator involvement and downtime to accurately measure components and clean equipment between batches. By automating these processes with batch blending vessels, you'll eliminate these inaccuracies and inefficiencies. Batch blending vessels are equipped with a blend kettle that is traditionally mounted on a load cell, clean-in-place technologies, and integrated controls to automate all steps involved in batch blending. Emerson's solution for automatic batch blending vessels can offer this configuration, as well as an alternative to load cells. By replacing load cells with Emerson's Micro Motion[™] Coriolis flow meters, you will greatly improve cycle time and accuracy in dosing.

Increase right-firsttime quality

- Eliminate manual dosing inaccuracies with direct measurement.
- Remove risk of cross-contamination with clean-in-place technology.

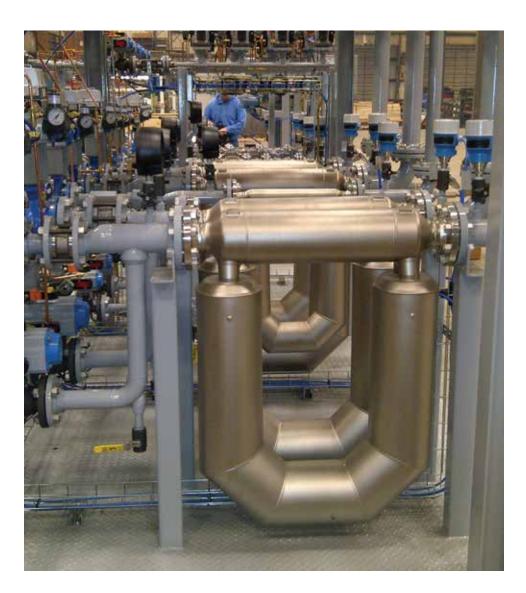
Reduce foot print

• Save space and infrastructure with more compact design for automated batch blending.

Decrease cycle time

• Reduce downtime by automating dosing, mixing, heating, and cleaning procedures.

Integrated solution: Simultaneous metered blenders



Reduce batch cycle time

• Produce higher volume batches by simultaneously transferring more than one component at a time.

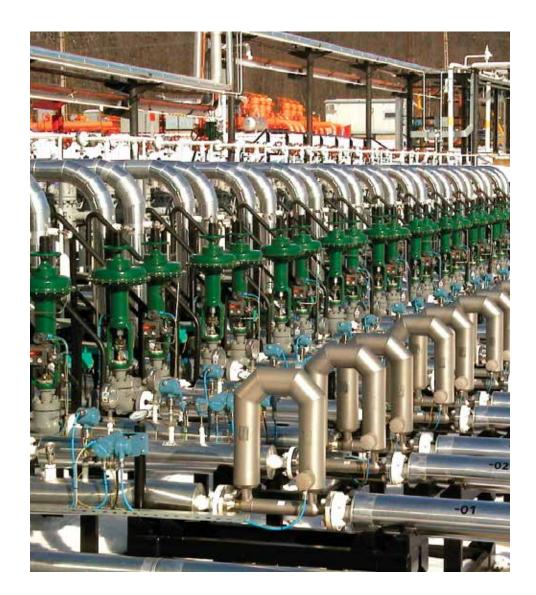
Improve right-first-time product quality

• Achieve on-spec blending with higher dosing accuracy.

Increase operational flexibility

• Leverage multiple component types to produce a wider variety of products using the same production assets.

Integrated solution: In-line blenders



Consistently meet production targets, improve asset availability, and increase throughput.

Long cycle times, asset availability, and process variability resulting in off-spec blending can make it a struggle to meet product targets on time. Using Emerson's simultaneous metered blenders, you can reduce cycle times, increase throughput, and increase dosing accuracy, saving you time and money. Emerson's simultaneous metered blenders are small pipeline-skidded solutions utilizing Micro Motion Coriolis flow meters and integrated control loops to accurately dose more than one component at a time into a header before discharging it to a mixing tank for final product production. With multiple meter runs you can simultaneously add multiple components to the blend, helping you save time and meet deadlines.

Achieve on-spec blending from start to finish, shorten cycle times, and reduce inventory.

Off-spec blending, missed quality targets, and capacity constraints are major concerns at your plant. With Emerson's in-line blenders, you have access to leading-edge technology for blending small volume product with dosing or a full continuous blending operation. By incorporating Fisher[™] automated control valves and Micro Motion Coriolis flow meters into the in-line blending system, you'll be able to proportionally introduce blend components simultaneously and continuously to a discharge header with an in-line mixer, delivering homogenous, on-spec product ready for direct shipment via rail, pipeline, or container. In-line blending facilitates a faster production rate, enables you to get the blend right the first time, and requires minimal infrastructure-making it extremely cost-effective.

Reduce production costs

- Eliminate the need for mixing tanks and reduce inventory.
- Minimize time and labor costs associated with quality analysis and rework.

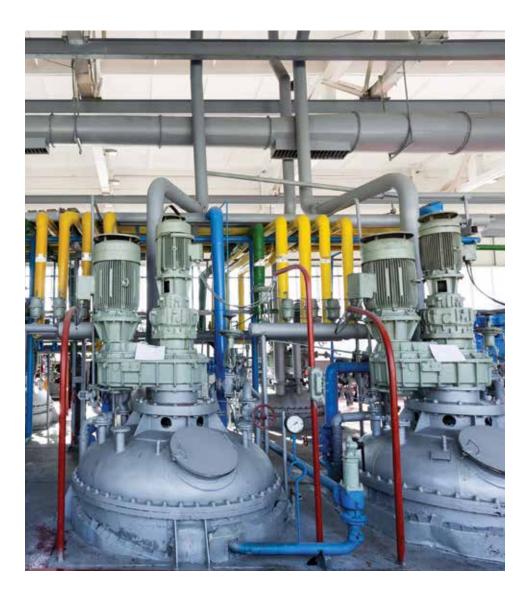
Increase throughput

- Simultaneously add components to simplify component handling and improve cycle times.
- Leverage tightened ratio control to ensure instantaneous production of on-spec finished product.

Boost operational flexibility

- Maintain high-accuracy measurements for a wide range of blend volumes.
- Facilitate quick response to changes in the production plan to meet customer requirements.
- Reallocate existing intermediate tankage to component or final product storage.

Integrated solution: Grease blending units



Meet changing market demand

- Accommodate future expansion with scalable design.
- Accommodate many types and volumes of greases.

Lower production costs

• Reduce utility costs thanks to a thermally-efficient, automated reactor.

Enhance productivity and efficiency

- Expedite production startup and achieve larger production volume in a smaller space with compact modular design.
- Reduce waste generation with clean-in-place technology.

Integrated solution: Piggable valves and manifolds



Produce a variety of greases more efficiently in a single, automated production unit.

It is challenging enough to meet customer requirements while keeping costs down and accurately dosing and sequencing a variety of thickener types. And with the market shifting from conventional to more synthetic greases, processes will likely need to be modified to cost-effectively meet that demand. With Emerson's batch and continuous grease units, you can efficiently achieve high accuracy measurement and tightened process control at all stages of grease production. Equipped with the highest thermally-efficient reactors, grease kettles, colloid mills, and heating/cooling and vacuum systems, you will be able to automate the entire process in a compact production unit. All units feature Emerson's leading technologies, including DeltaV[™] distributed control system, Micro Motion Coriolis flow meters, Rosemount[™] measurement instruments, Rosemount wireless technology, and Fisher control valves for measurement accuracy and enhanced control.

Perform safer, cost-effective transfers while eliminating flush and contamination.

Transferring fluids during changeovers from tanks to blending units or filling lines can be challenging. To ensure the full transfer of material and avoid cross-contamination, additional raw material is used to flush the lines. In addition to costly flushing operations, operators often perform product transfers manually by carrying and connecting heavy hoses from tanks to a switch board that could have up to 1,000 connection combinations. These manual operations are prone to product losses due to spillage and safety hazards when hoses become entangled. Using Emerson's pigging valves and manifolds, you eliminate these challenges. These valves allow for automated, multiple successive product transfers through a single line without contamination. Piggable valves can be part of the inlets or outlets of a piggable manifold, eliminating manual routing of product transfers. These solutions drastically improve operator safety and efficiency while eliminating contamination and product waste.

Reduce operating costs

- Lower total cost of ownership with Emerson's unique pig design, which requires less maintenance, pressure, and elbow passage.
- Maximize raw material usage.

Improve operator safety

- Eliminate labor-intensive flushing operations.
- Avoid product spills by eliminating hoses prone to tangling.
- Eliminate manual changeovers during product transfers.

Reduce footprint

- Save facility space with the most compact manifold design on the market that can accommodate inlets and outlets of varying sizes.
- Reduce expensive piping formerly needed for transfers.

Take advantage of the most complete offering of blending automation expertise, technologies, and services in the industry.



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