

AspenTech Software Helps DuPont Win Manufacturing Achievement Award for Operational Excellence

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DuPont Improves Product Quality, Yield and Reduces Time-to-Market with aspenONE(R) Software

BURLINGTON, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 15, 2009-- Aspen Technology, Inc. (OTC: AZPN.PK) today announced that the use of aspenONE software helped DuPont win Aberdeen Group's Manufacturing Excellence Achievement Award for Operational Excellence in the Process Industries. DuPont was selected from more than 200 leading companies for demonstrating top performance in critical operational metrics.

- Aberdeen Group based its selection on the results of their industry benchmark study, which measured companies against four operations metrics: Manufacturing Schedule Compliance, Perfect Orders, Overall Yield and Overall Equipment Availability (OEE).
- Use of aspenONE solutions at more than 100 manufacturing locations was noted as a critical success factor in DuPont winning the operational excellence award.
- DuPont is able to make better, real-time decisions across the enterprise by using aspenONE to improve monitoring, control and analysis of manufacturing operations.
- DuPont used aspenONE's integration infrastructure to standardize critical work flows and data integration between SAP and aspenONE. This was another critical factor in helping DuPont achieve its operational excellence goals, accelerating continuous improvement projects and reducing ongoing support costs.
- aspenONE manufacturing solutions incorporate the industry accepted ISA-95 framework to speed decisions, disseminate best practices and orchestrate work activities.

Supporting Quotes:

Rolando Zamora, Division Engineer - Process Automation Systems, DuPont

"aspenONE's manufacturing visualization and analysis tools are now widely used in DuPont. The global rollout of AspenTech's real-time performance management and enterprise integration solutions is helping DuPont to seamlessly connect our manufacturing systems with our business systems such as SAP across the enterprise. This allows DuPont to successfully navigate the dramatic fluctuations in the global economy by allowing us to make sound and information-based business decisions quickly."

Farshad Amir, Instrumentation and Control System Technology Manager, DuPont

"At DuPont, our pursuit of Operational Excellence is centered around the implementation of best practices that use the latest process optimization technologies to measure and monitor production performance in real-time. AspenTech's solutions help us reduce variability and improve product quality, allowing us to reduce the time-to-market and better manage costs."

Blair Wheeler, SVP of Marketing, AspenTech

"AspenTech is honored to be viewed as a critical success factor for DuPont's operational excellence award. DuPont's implementation of aspenONE is a model for how process manufacturers can drive continuous operational improvement through seamless integration of business and manufacturing systems. The resulting increase in agility and operational transparency helps improve profitability, which is especially important during volatile economic times like these."

Supporting Resources:

- Aberdeen Operational Excellence in the Process Industries report
- aspenONE Production Management & Execution for Specialty Chemicals brochure

About DuPont

DuPont (NYSE: DD) is a science-based products and services company. Founded in 1802, DuPont puts science to work by creating sustainable solutions essential to a better, safer, healthier life for people everywhere. Operating in more than 70 countries, DuPont offers a wide range of innovative products and services for markets including agriculture and food; building and construction; communications; and transportation. For more information, visit www.dupont.com.

About AspenTech

AspenTech is a leading supplier of software that optimizes process manufacturing – including oil and gas, petroleum, chemicals, pharmaceuticals and other industries that manufacture and produce products from a chemical process. With integrated aspenONE solutions, process manufacturers can

implement best practices for optimizing their engineering, manufacturing and supply chain operations. As a result, AspenTech customers are better able to increase capacity, improve margins, reduce costs and become more energy efficient. To see how the world's leading process manufacturers rely on AspenTech to achieve their operational excellence goals, visit www.aspentech.com.

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