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## **New SmartSignal xConnector Brings the World's Leading Equipment-Performance Intelligence to OSIsoft PI System Users**

**Lisle, Ill., USA, September 1, 2009**—SmartSignal® Corporation, a partner of OSIsoft® (www.osisoft.com) and the leader in predictive analytics for equipment health in the power generation and oil and gas industries, today announced the availability of SmartSignal xConnector™.

xConnector provides a comprehensive, bi-directional link between the PI System™ and SmartSignal EPI\*Center® predictive-analytics software. This link makes it possible for PI users worldwide to access the intelligence of SmartSignal directly in their PI tools. Using this link, PI users now can detect and diagnose problems across all critical rotating and non-rotating equipment and graphically visualize and analyze them directly in PI—all in time to take action and avert expensive unplanned outages and repairs.

xConnector is the culmination of a long-term partnership of SmartSignal and OSIsoft. The OSIsoft PI System is the world's leading operational and real-time data-management infrastructure, providing historical and real-time data and easy-to-use graphical tools. OSIsoft provides the data infrastructure, and SmartSignal provides the intelligence to analyze the data and detect and diagnose impending problems. SmartSignal analyzes, in real time, *all* the PI sensor data. SmartSignal identifies the “needles in the haystack” and notifies its customers of these problems *only*—thus saving them untold hours of searching data for problems and reacting to potentially false alarms.

SmartSignal's industry-leading and patented technology, developed and continually improved over the past 10 years, is used by leaders worldwide in power, oil and gas, and other process industries.

Ron Kolz, VP of OSIsoft, said: “We're happy to have SmartSignal as a partner. They take advantage of our infrastructure to deliver this high-value application. SmartSignal is a great partner because their application saves customers millions of dollars. For us to be successful, we need to have partners in our ecosystem that can add high-value applications. That's what SmartSignal does.”

Jim Gagnard, CEO of SmartSignal, added, “Our customers detect minor, major, and sometimes even catastrophic failures before they happen using SmartSignal's predictive solution. We're pleased to now make our intelligence available to members of the PI

community through this new and easy-to-use application. With xConnector, they can leverage the benefits of SmartSignal directly in PI. They get all the benefits of SmartSignal PLUS all the benefits of OSIsoft's data-visualization technology and powerful trending functions."

### **About SmartSignal**

*SmartSignal maximizes worldwide industry equipment performance, availability, and reliability by detecting, diagnosing, and prioritizing equipment and process problems before they become costly failures. Drawing on over 40 patents, SmartSignal delivers specific, relevant, and actionable intelligence that makes people more proactive and productive. SmartSignal serves customers in power generation, oil and gas, mining, aviation, pulp and paper, and other process industries worldwide. SmartSignal and its customers have won over twenty awards for excellence, including a Wall Street Journal Technology Innovation Award and the 2009 ITA (Illinois Technology Association) Lighthouse Award for excellence in product and services. [www.smartsignal.com](http://www.smartsignal.com).*

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