Houston Chemical Plant SCADA Implementation Case Study

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1. Executive Summary

This case study documents the implementation of DeepShield Systems' Industrial Control System

(ICS) security solution at the Houston Chemical Processing Facility ("Facility"), a major

petrochemical manufacturing complex in Harris County, Texas. The implementation was executed

pursuant to Master Services Agreement No. MSA-2023-0472 dated March 1, 2023.

2. Project Overview

1. The Facility operates multiple interconnected SCADA systems controlling critical chemical

processing operations across 127 acres, including:

14 primary processing units

3 utility generation plants

42 storage tanks

8 loading/unloading terminals

2. Prior to implementation, the Facility's legacy SCADA infrastructure exhibited multiple security

vulnerabilities, including:

Outdated firmware versions on PLCs

Insufficient network segmentation

Limited intrusion detection capabilities

Absence of real-time threat monitoring

3. Solution Implementation

1. DeepShield deployed its comprehensive ICS security platform, including:

DeepShield Guardian(TM) v4.2 network monitoring system

AI-powered anomaly detection modules

Real-time threat response automation

- Secure remote access infrastructure
- Custom-configured industrial firewall deployment

2. Implementation Timeline:

- Phase 1: Network Assessment & Design (March 15-31, 2023)
- Phase 2: Infrastructure Deployment (April 1-30, 2023)
- Phase 3: System Integration & Testing (May 1-31, 2023)
- Phase 4: Operator Training & Handover (June 1-15, 2023)

4. Technical Specifications

1. Network Architecture:

- Segregated OT/IT networks with DMZ
- Redundant fiber backbone infrastructure
- Military-grade encryption for all control traffic
- Distributed sensor network with 147 monitoring points

2. Security Features:

- Real-time deep packet inspection
- Behavioral analysis of control systems
- Automated threat containment protocols
- Continuous integrity monitoring of PLC configurations

5. Performance Metrics

1. Key Performance Indicators:

- 99.999% system uptime achieved
- Zero security incidents during first 6 months
- 100% detection rate for test attack scenarios
- Average threat response time: 1.2 seconds

2. Compliance Achievements:

- NIST SP 800-82 compliance verified
- ISA/IEC 62443 certification obtained

- NERC CIP requirements satisfied
- API 1164 guidelines implemented

6. Risk Management

- 1. Identified Risks:
- Production disruption during implementation
- Legacy system compatibility issues
- Operator adaptation challenges
- Communication protocol conflicts
- 2. Mitigation Measures:
- Phased deployment strategy
- Comprehensive backup systems
- Extended operator training program
- 24/7 technical support availability

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8. Certification

The undersigned hereby certifies that this case study accurately represents the implementation of DeepShield Systems' ICS security solution at the Houston Chemical Processing Facility.

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