# DATA ACQUISITION APPLICATION NOTE





# Utilities – water / power / gas

## **Energy surveys in buildings**

Monitoring room temperatures, outside temperatures, water temperature of central heating systems, etc.

#### Solar Design / Low Energy Houses

Monitoring the performance of passive solar design low energy houses. Measurement of solar gain in council houses.



Monitoring the effect of driving rainfall on buildings.

#### **Energy monitoring in large companies**

Measuring energy use/power consumption in a variety of company sites around the county (offices, retail outlets, etc.) with a view to conserving energy.



Recording temperature in paper mills to assess the scope for . or performance of, heat recovery systems.

#### **Electricity consumption of pumps**

Monitoring electricity consumption of pumping stations, with a view to maximising pumping during off-peak tariff periods.

#### Gas flow

Logging gas flow and pressure in a distribution network, using pressure transducers.

#### **Monitoring radiation**

Monitoring background radiation in the environment in the vicinity of a nuclear reactor. Radiation is measured with a Geiger counter which is interfaced to a pulse-counting Squirrel. Monitoring radiation levels in various areas around nuclear power stations.





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#### Nuclear power stations cooling water

Monitoring the temperature of cooling water effluent from a nuclear power station and the effect on marine life.

#### Dissolved oxygen in sewage plant

Monitoring levels of dissolved oxygen in sewage plant.

#### Sewage flow and temperature

Logging output from flow meters and colorimeters at sewage works.

#### Hydrogen sulphide levels

Measuring hydrogen sulphide levels in sewage treatment works. Logging water levels in sewers.

#### Flow levels of water and sewage

Monitoring flow levels of water and sewage in pipes using flow meters.

### Sewage levels in pumps

Measuring output from ultrasonic probes to monitor sewage levels in pumps, containers, etc.

## Water quality

Assessing water quality by monitoring such parameters as pH, chloride levels, water hardness, etc.

### Monitoring river water

pH, dissolved oxygen and temperatures at different depths and distances up an estuary.

#### Life cycle of flies in sewage filters

Recording temperature in and around sewage filters to determine the effect of temperature on life cycle of flies in the filter.

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#### Monitoring trade effluents

Monitoring pH and temperature of trade effluents before they enter the sewage system, in order to ensure that agreed limits are adhered to.

#### Rainfall monitoring

Long-term monitoring of rainfall with tipping bucket rain-gauge at various sited for planning purposes.

## • Efficiency of sewage treatment works

Monitoring flows in various areas and processes of sewage treatment works in order to maximise efficiency.

#### Electricity consumption of pumps

Monitoring the electricity consumption of pumping stations, with a view to maximising pumping during off-peak tariff periods.

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