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**MATHWORKS ADDS OPC-HDA SUPPORT FOR PROCESS HISTORIAN DATA ANALYSIS WITHIN MATLAB**

*Provides ability to access, visualize, and analyze historical process data from OPC Historical Data Access servers*

**NATICK, Mass. – August 18, 2011** – [MathWorks](#) today announced a major update of the [OPC Toolbox](#) product, offering support for the OPC Foundation Historical Data Access (HDA) standard. [MATLAB](#) users in the [Power & Utilities, Chemical, and Oil&Gas](#) industries can now access and visualize historical process data from an OPC HDA server, identify trends, and perform root cause analysis to help continually improve their operations.

Data acquisition platforms are critical tools for reliably gathering, archiving and serving enterprise data. To perform advanced analyses and extract important information from the massive volumes of process data that is captured requires a powerful analytical engine. With the OPC HDA access in OPC Toolbox, process specialists can more efficiently apply MATLAB data visualization, data analysis, and numeric computation capabilities to historical OPC data. They can also automate common analysis tasks, generate reports, create customized data analysis GUIs, or integrate these analytics back into their process historian.

“The process industries are faced with the challenge of quickly analyzing the volumes of data they have collected and performing root cause analysis to continually improve operations,” said Graham Dudgeon, energy production industry marketing manager, MathWorks. “By providing easier access to this data within MATLAB environment, we are enabling process engineers to

perform more advanced analyses, such as root cause analysis, which can lead to significant process improvements and cost savings.”

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