

Success Story

Coca-Cola Amatil

"The Plaut IT team are specialists in integration utilising MII and SAP and leverage this knowledge to provide solutions for all manner of applications. We were also pleasantly surprised at their depth of knowledge of the various equipment control systems."

*Michael Shirbin, Major Projects
Manager, Coca-Cola Amatil*

Background

In May 2011, Coca-Cola Amatil (CCA) commenced construction of its new \$57 million PET preform and closure facility at Eastern Creek, Sydney. This facility was the final stage in CCA's vertical integration of its PET bottle self-manufacturing facilities in Australia and New Zealand and was due to commence production on 28 November 2011.

CCA has invested \$450 million in PET bottle self-manufacture or "blowfill" technology – enabling the beverage giant to bring the production of bottles back in-house.

The Problem

Having a communication system that linked CCA's systems vertically and horizontally was critical to the success of the new facility. With multiple vendors, multiple systems and extremely tight deadlines to meet, CCA needed a partner to provide a seamless SAP Manufacturing Integration and Intelligence communication system for its new facility. CCA decided to engage a specialist group which was able to supply this complex system and service - and chose Plaut.

The Solution

With tight deadlines to meet, Plaut swiftly went into action.

Between August and September, in just six short weeks, the team at Plaut had designed a fully customised MII solution for CCA – a modular horizontal and vertical communication system, with a total of 23 different interfaces, user management screens and system monitoring, linking CCA's multitude of vendor-supplied systems with SAP.

In October, Plaut commenced the system build and subsequent installation of the MII system for CCA which enabled them to link the

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top floor to the shop floor – in effect, CCA was now able to quickly and easily integrate the whole plant seamlessly and without human intervention.

The original deadline of 28 November was met. Plaut's MII system was installed on time and on budget enabling CCA to run its production lines and produce its first preform bottles at 4.00pm on 25 November 2011.

About Coca-Cola Amatil

Coca-Cola Amatil (ASX Code:CCL) is one of the largest bottlers of non-alcoholic ready-to-drink beverages in the Asia-Pacific region and one of the world's top five Coca-Cola bottlers. CCA employs more than 15,000 people across its Group – Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, Fiji and Papua New Guinea - and has access to more than 265 million consumers through over 700,000 active customers.

CCA's head office is in Sydney and the Company is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange. With a market capitalisation of over A\$8 billion, Coca Cola Amatil is one of Australia's 'Top-50' listed companies.

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As a certified SAP Partner, Plaut provides end-to-end solutions through a highly qualified team of experts. This includes nationally recognised functional, information management and business specialists, as well as, a number of fully qualified CPAs, engineering & operations and HR professionals with extensive experience. This unique skill set ensures that our technical projects focus on business outcomes. We reduce the risk for performance issues and higher maintenance costs for customers in the future.

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