CROWN JEWEL ANALYSIS



SECTOR: WASTEWATER TREATMENT CONTROL

Crown Jewel Analysis (CJA) is an iterative process that works top-down to systematically determine the physical & logical assets, data, and communication and control interfaces required for primary system function. Knowing the specific devices required for operation enables every aspect of vulnerability management, incident response, disaster recovery, and where protection and detection should be prioritized.

Raw wastewater pumping is the primary function in wastewater processes. As wastewater is collected in sanitary sewers, it flows by gravity to lower hydraulic grade-line elevations, where pump stations are located. If pump stations are not operational, wastewater collections systems and sanitary sewers are likely to surcharge and overflow, impacting households, businesses and other locations.

Below is a simplified example of a Crown Jewel Analysis for the wastewater treatment control industry. Categories below are arbitrary and some products could be placed in more than one (or many) categories.



SYSTEM OWNER

Specific provider within an industry discipline, geographic region or demographic that may be targeted

WASTEWATER
TREATMENT
PLANT





CRITICAL SYSTEM OR SUBSYSTEM

Collection of assets, facilities, networks and/or operators that provide a specific, collective function and output

WWTP INFLUENT PUMP STATION NORTH PUMP STATION

EAST PUMP STATION

SOUTHEAST PUMP STATION





CRITICAL FUNCTION OR SUB-FUNCTION

Required principal tasks of a system such as heating, cooling, exchanging, pumping, separating, compressing, distributing, storing, etc.

INFLUENT
PUMP STATION
LEVEL CONTROL



Shown here are examples of physical and logical devices that are representative of these levels of the model. These will be unique to the critical function of the CJA. Items listed below are commonly found in the wastewater treatment industry and are not CJA specific for this example.



CRITICAL COMPONENTS

Physical assets required to complete a system critical function

VARIABLE FREQUENCY DRIVES (VFDS) PUMPS

ELECTRIC

MOTORS

ULTRASONIC LEVEL TRANSMITTERS LEVEL MONITORING INSTRUMENTATION

INFLUENT

GATES





CONTROLLERS

Represented by their direct interconnection between the logical and the physical network

INFLUENT PUMP STATION PLC

PANEL VIEW OITS

FACILITY PLC PROVIDING OPERATIONAL INTERLOCKS





CROWN JEWELS

Critical data, logical assets and/or communication and control interfaces required to exercise control over components, and thus, functions PLCs
PANEL VIEWS

I&C TECHNICIAN

LAPTOPS

VFDs

FIREWALL

REMOTE ACCESS



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CONNECTION



















