



On-Line Monitoring Inc. acquires SOS Tan Delta Technology from AVO M3 Inc.

On-Line Monitoring Inc. (OMI), manufacturer and supplier of substation on-line monitoring equipment, recently acquired the assets and technology of AVO M3 Inc. The acquisition includes the well established SOS Tan Delta system, the economical Power Factor Live Family of on-line and walk up power factor monitors, and the UCA™ (IEC 61850) Supervisor system. Other associated monitoring technologies, including a 2.4 GHz FHSS technology for wireless communications suited for the harsh substation environment, are also part of the acquisition.

These proven technologies have been successfully providing utilities worldwide with the ability to continuously perform on-line power factor monitoring. Although transformer bushing failures are second only to failures in load tap changers, the resulting catastrophic damage to transformers and massive collateral damage within a substation is far greater.

Jeff Benach and Ramesh Anand, Managing Partners of OMI and formerly of AVO M3, were both intimately involved with the product line prior to the acquisition. Comments Jeff Benach, VP of Engineering, OMI, "We both believe in the future demand of the monitoring technology and are excited to be able to offer this product line to our customers. The SOS Tan Delta system provides a versatile platform that has proven itself since its inception five years ago. The existing installations have demonstrated great stability under varied environmental conditions, and have been integrated with third party on-line devices such as Dissolved Gas Analysis, Partial Discharge, and Circuit Breaker IEDs, giving an in-depth view of the health of the transformer and bushings. OMI will provide the same commitment and quality products that our customers have enjoyed over the past five years with AVO M3."

OMI is located in the Philadelphia metropolitan area and is committed to providing new and innovative methods of monitoring and managing the capital assets of utilities worldwide.

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