

# JUICE MANUFACTURER OPTIMIZES STEAM MEASUREMENTS AND REDUCES USAGE WITH REDUCER VORTEX TECHNOLOGY

#### Customer

Carbonated drink manufacturer

### **Application**

HTST juice pasteurization timing system Steam flow measurement in the main steam header to evaporator and pasteurizer

## **Application Characteristics: Fluid**

Steam, Pressure: up to 12 bar, Temperature: 160 to 180°C

## **Challenge**

Accurate steam measurement is important for ensuring adequate operation of the evaporator and pasteurizers used in juice manufacturing. Monitoring steam used by each process unit during production is required so that the most efficient units are used whenever possible, and the less efficient units are identified so that they can be improved. During this manufacturer's normal operation, the steam demand varied, occasionally resulting in steam flow rates below a traditional vortex meter's measurement capabilities. This inability to measure the lower flow rates resulted in increased energy costs and a poor energy balance for this process.

### **Solution**

The Rosemount 8800 Reducer™ Vortex Flow Meter is used to measure flow rates in both the main steam header and at the inlet to the evaporator and the pasteurizer units across the entire operating range.

#### Results

- Reduced installation costs by 37%
- Accurately measured steam at low flow rates
- Reduced energy costs by 5%



Rosemount 8800 Reducer™ Vortex Flow Meter



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The 8800 Reducer™ Vortex Flow Meter was selected as it could be installed in the original pipes without major modification, reducing installation costs by 37%. The Vortex Flow Meter was able to measure the relatively large variation in flow rates determined by the demand for steam within the plant, ensuring that steam flow was being accurately controlled, improving the performance of the evaporator. By monitoring steam usage it was possible to reduce energy costs by 5% ensuring efficient steam generation and use throughout the plant. The ability to measure the full operating flow range also resulted in the identification of other inefficient units for further optimization.

The Rosemount 8800
Reducer™ Vortex was
easy to install with
no pipe changes, and
accurately measures
lower steam flow rates.

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