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Sumitomo Introduces Production/Quality Monitoring System

System demonstrated monitoring the six all-electric machines in the Sumitomo booth.

(NPE 2006, Booth 1885)...Sumitomo Plastics Machinery introduced the iii-System (i-cubed) production/quality monitoring system at NPE 2006 by demonstrating real-time monitoring of the six all-electric machines in the Sumitomo booth, #1885.

The easy-to-use iii-System (i-cubed) is designed to automatically collect production and quality results, status reports and daily sum-up data, allowing the operational status to be checked at any time and, using the internet, from any remote location. Basic functions of the iii-System include:

- Operating status overview
- Quality monitoring
- Control of molding conditions
- History of molding conditions
- History of alarms

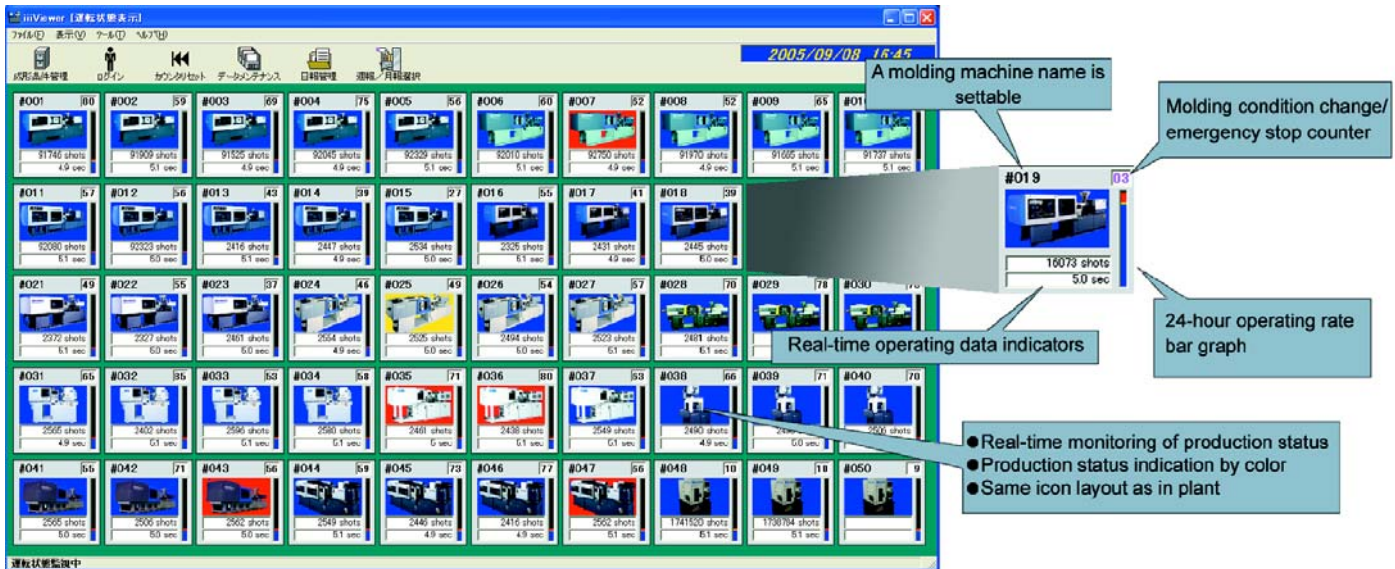
To support molders' quality programs, the iii-System provides easy-to-use quality traceability with:

- Storage of quality data for traceability (up to 60,000 shots per machine)
- The ability to download data for permanent storage on CD-R/DVD
- Indication of 24-hour molding quality on general graph screen
- Indication of past molding conditions and history of changes

Up to 50 machines (including molding machines from other manufacturers) can be connected to the iii-System via a LAN. (See next page for diagram.)

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iii-System Operating Status Screen



[Hi-res diagram: www.sumitomopm.com/npeart/iii.psd or www.sumitomopm.com/npeart/iii.pdf]

On the Operating Status Screen, machine status is indicated in color on a real-time basis:

- Blue: automatic operation
- Red: error occurrence
- Yellow: setup and manual operation
- Black: production stop (power off)

Additionally, the iii-System provides convenient viewing of:

- Daily reports for the past year, including production quantity and number of defective parts
- Weekly and monthly reports, including production quantity and defect rate
- Production quantity and defect rate by molding condition

For more information on the iii-System, please contact your Sumitomo Sales Representative or call Sumitomo Plastics Machinery at (770) 447-5430.

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