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BTC KEY FIGURES:

- Consumption of resources: electricity, natural gas, heat
- Facilities: 56 (113,000 m²)
- Metering points: 160
- CO2 emissions: 26,800 t

ENERGY CONSUMPTION

- Electricity: 40 mio kWh / year
- Heat: 12 mio kWh / year
- Natural gas: 300,000 m³
- Water: 150,000 m³
- Primary energy consumers: lighting (43%), cooling (20%) ventilation (26%)
- Total energy consumption: 60 mio kWh / year

GENERAL COMPANY DESCRIPTION

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OUR SOLUTIONS

Energy consumption monitoring (electricity, heat, natural gas, water)

Energy efficiency analysis (key energy KPIs indication)

Energy performance and targeting
- Targeting energy consumption quantities and costs
- Target monitoring of the energy consumption of heating and cooling technologies
- Alarms in case of consumption or cost deviations

Energy accounting
- Building energy consumption benchmarking
- Analyses of energy costs
- Energy accounting system implementation

SOLUTION ARCHITECTURE

Energy Management Software GemaLogic®

Communication equipment:
- 14 x GsmBox.WG
- 3 x ComBox.M
- 8 x ComBox.L
- 5 x GsmBox.X4

In order to effectively connect the meters and the network, we set up LoRa wireless communication. In order to reach and carry out the measurements we selected innovative communication equipment ComBox.L. Expanding the existing LoRaWAN network enabled us to cover the entire facility area and set up the communication devices in less accessible places.
SOLUTION ARCHITECTURE SCHEME

RESULTS

Digitalization of energy data
• Real-time energy monitoring, advanced analysis, benchmarking and forecasting

Alarming system implementation
• The detection of deviations and causes in the energy consumption and the possibility of quick action (e.g., water leakage)

Energy efficiency improvements
• Greater efficiency and better energy management, easier monitoring of the effectiveness of implemented measures

BENEFITS FROM THE PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

• Energy consumption reduction in the 1st year of solution implementation. Electricity consumption reduction: up to 5 %
• Water leakages reduction up to 90%
• Reduction of energy losses caused by water leakages: up to 6 %
• Reduction of water losses: up to 4.5%
• Alarming in case of water and gas consumption increase
• Support in ISO 50001 implementation