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REYROLLE PROTECTION & RMS FORM ALLIANCE

A marketing and technology innovation alliance has been forged between these two well known protection relay manufacturers.

RELAY MONITORING SYSTEMS

Relay Monitoring Systems (RMS) is a fully Australian owned enterprise formed through a management buy out of the Email Relays Division in 1991.



Email Relays was itself created in the 1970's from the former Relays Pty Limited (RPL) operation. The roots of RMS therefore go back to the 1950's when RPL was established to produce electro-mechanical relays and experienced major growth as a result of product innovation and a burgeoning power industry.

Relays Pty Ltd



RMS has continued the tradition of producing high quality "custom" relays to suit specific power system applications. The growing demand for numeric relay functionality has seen RMS expand into this field and seek partnership with international players to stay at the forefront of protective relaying technology. This has led to an alliance with Reyrolle Protection and the distribution of their proven product range throughout Australia. This has also assisted in gaining access to numerous international markets for RMS product providing a steady growth in export business.

Under this alliance Reyrolle will continue to develop and manufacture high end numeric protection relay systems. RMS will maintain focus on custom relay solutions and the implementation of simple numeric designs to compliment the Reyrolle range. The sharing of technology and reciprocal product marketing agreements is a significant step for both companies. This relationship is the basis for a strong partnership and is providing considerable flow on benefits to Australian power utilities through improved service and product availability.

REYROLLE PROTECTION

The company's origins date back as far as 1886 when Mr. A. C. Reyrolle established a small workshop in London and in 1901 he transferred to a factory in Hebburn and founded the Limited Company. A. Reyrolle & Co. Ltd., were among the earliest companies in the UK to develop protective systems, this was in a large measure due to their close collaboration with the forward looking local supply company and prominent local consulting engineers Henry Clothier, Charles Merz and Bernard Price (Merz-Price protection).



With the growth in the electrical supply industry so protection also increased in importance. This led A. Reyrolle & Co. Ltd., to take-over the relay manufacturing activities of Nalder Brothers and integrated them with their own at the Hebburn factory forming a Protective Gear Division. Development of Protective Gear Division continued over the years until in 1969 the Division was formed into a separate Limited Company, Reyrolle Protection Ltd.



Changes in the electrical manufacturing industry during the 1970's resulted in a number of mergers and takeovers. Reyrolle Parsons Ltd completed a full merger in 1968, which eventually, in 1977 led to the formation of Northern Engineering Industries Ltd, (NEI). Ownership by Rolls Royce plc followed in 1988 and then in 1998, the Austrian company VA TECH purchased the Transmission & Distribution business which included Reyrolle, Peebles and Ferranti-Packard.



One of the world's major manufacturers of protective relays, Reyrolle Protection, is a business unit within VA TECH Reyrolle Ltd, one of the trading companies of the VA TECH Group. Reyrolle Protection, today is still manufacturing protection relays at Hebburn, Tyne and Wear where over 100 years ago it all began.