

New engineering functions simplify maintenance operations for processing machinery

Siemens' Industry Automation Division has equipped its Simatic S7 F Systems engineering tool with new functions for safety-related applications in process industries. The new software version V6.1 now features a "maintenance override" function for maintenance operations. Automatically generated faceplates enable the user to place bypasses in the safety program which can be mutually interlocked if necessary. Bypasses can be placed both at individual and at groups of up to three process signals. It is also possible to set a reset time so the bypasses automatically reset on expiry of the prescribed time period.

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