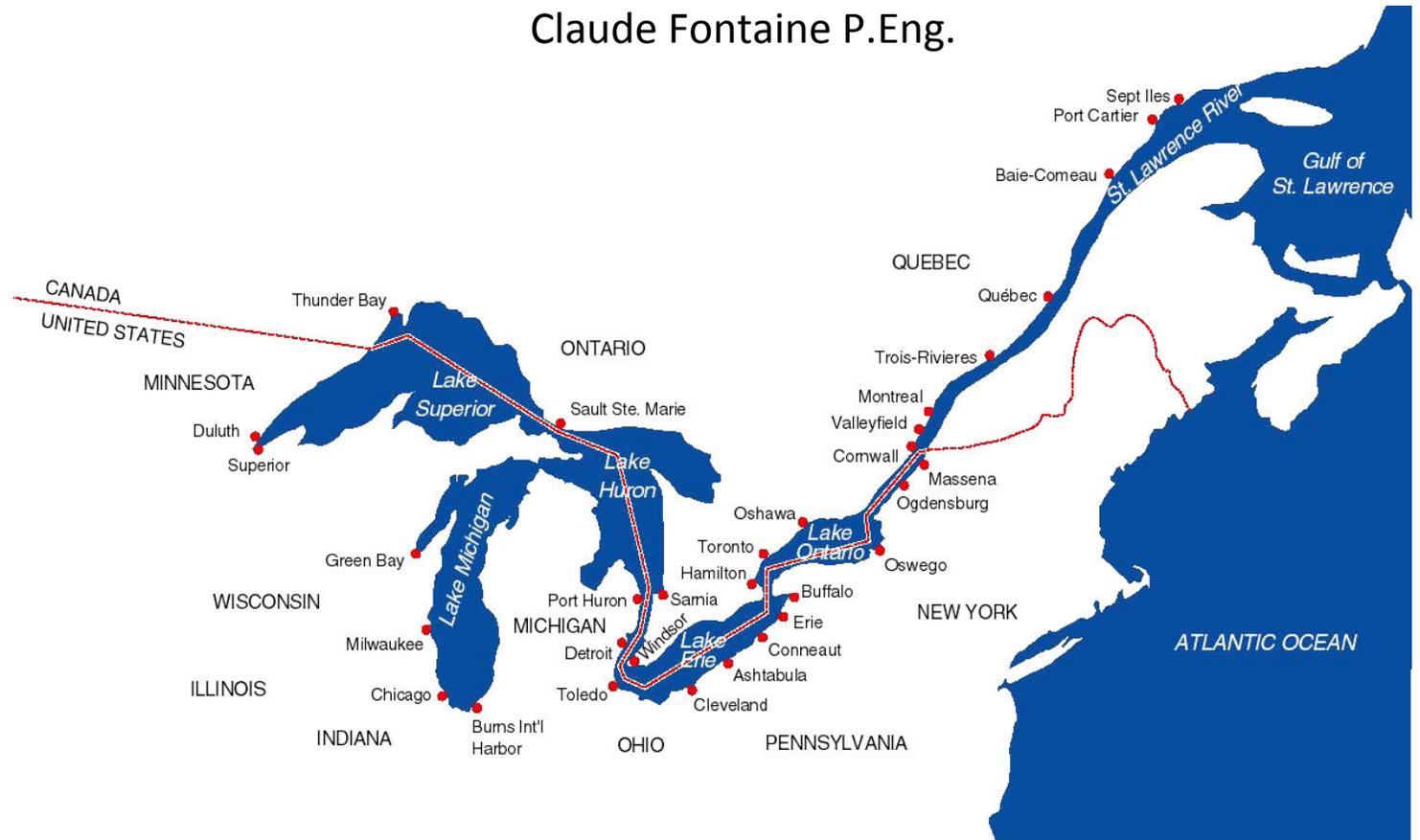




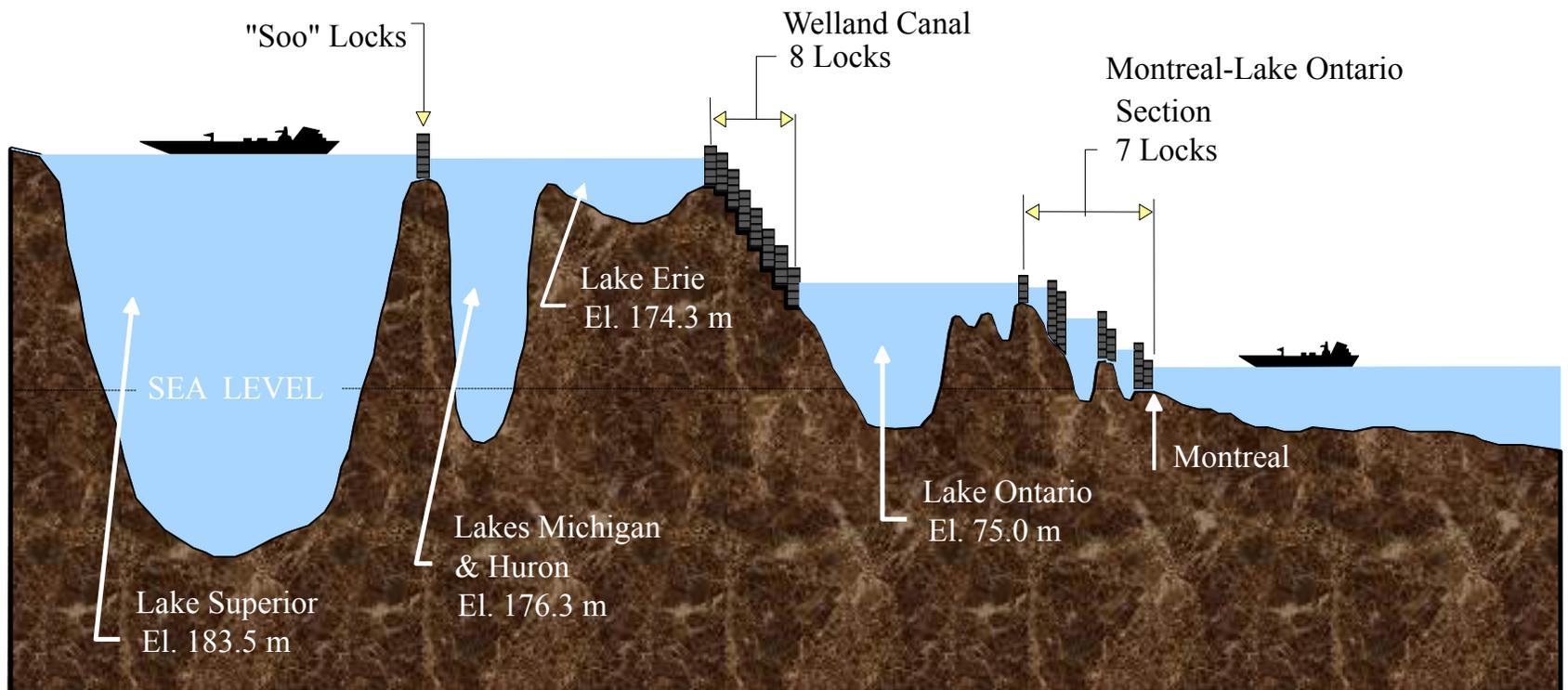


# The Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway System

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# REPLACEMENT OF MOTORS AND STARTER PANELS IN BRIDGES AND LOCKS



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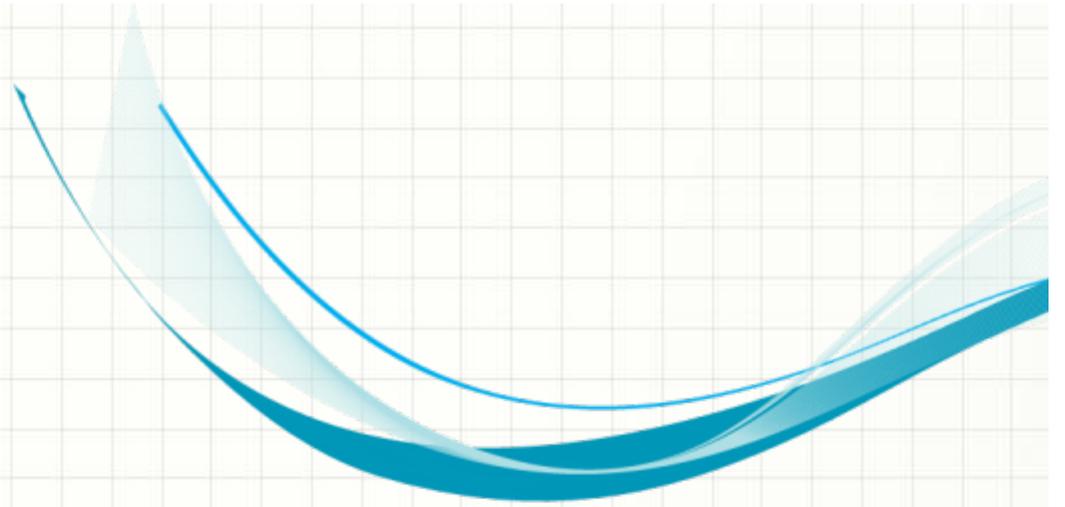




# Presentation plan

- Seaway structures
- Project objectives
- Project challenges and strategies
  - Electric
  - Mechanic
  - Safety
  - Budget
- Project improvements
- Lessons learned
- Conclusion





# Seaway structures





# Seaway Structures

- Bridges

Lifting Bridges



Bascule Bridges

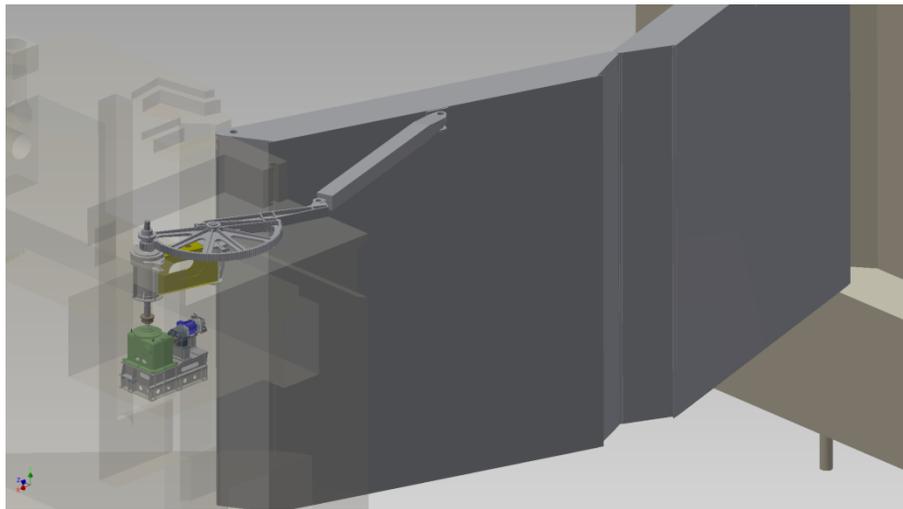




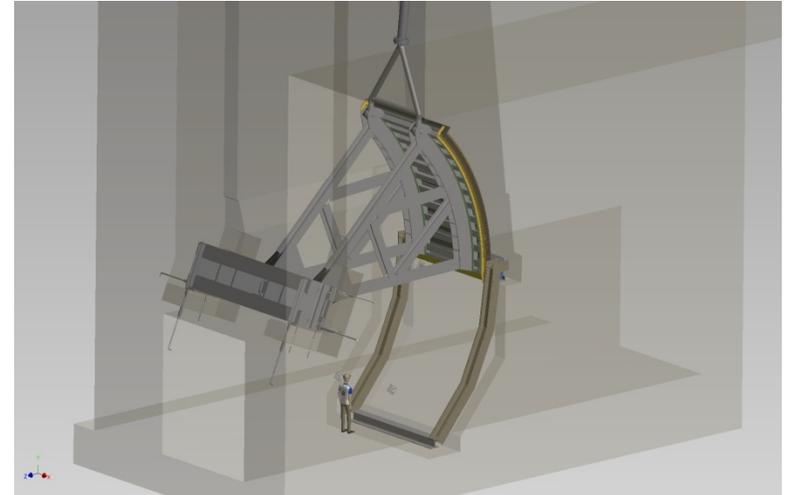
# Seaway Structures

- Locks

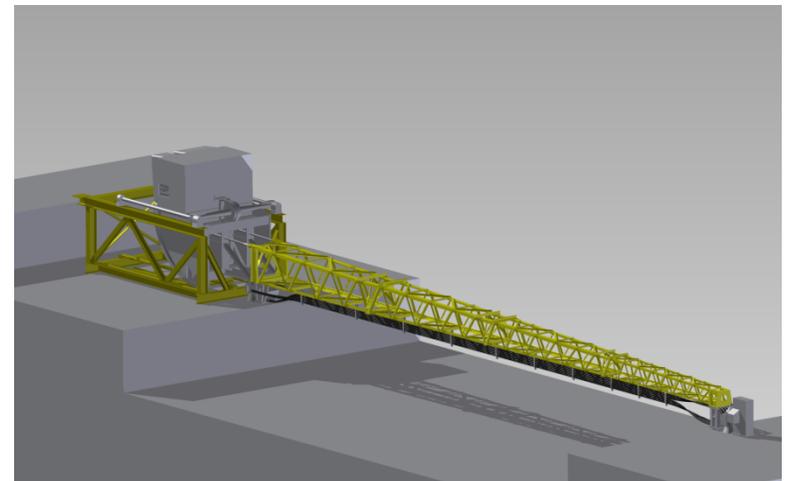
Gates

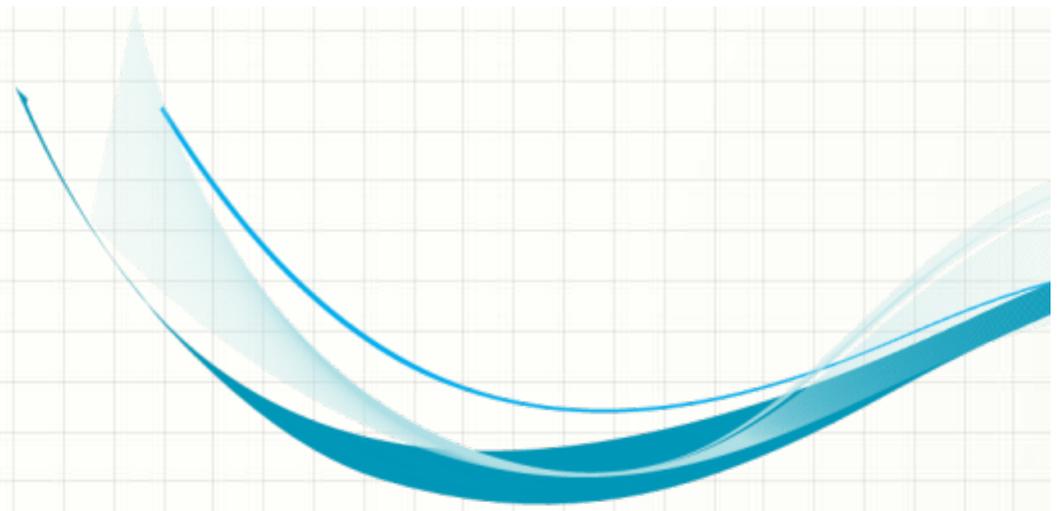


Valves



Ship arrestors





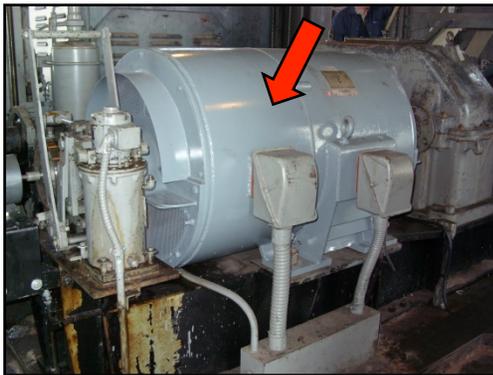
# Project objectives





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- Replace the main motors and the starter panels on ship arrestors, gates, valves and bridges.

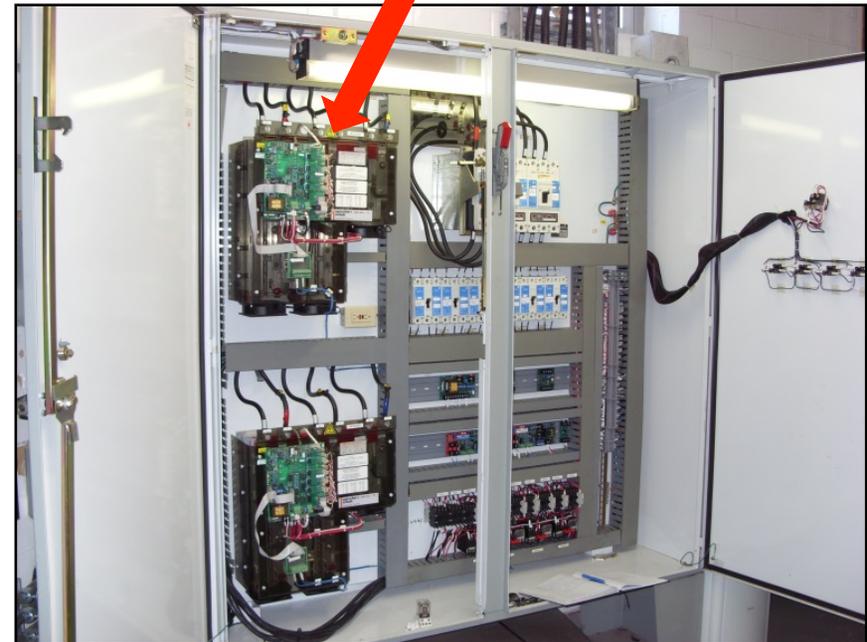


Bridge wound rotor motor



Lock wound rotor motor

Soft starter



Starter panel





# Project objectives

- Replace the external rotor resistances and all the cabling associated to that change.



Bridge wound  
rotor resistances



Lock wound  
rotor resistances



# Project challenges and strategies





# Project challenges and strategies

- Electric
  - Make a study
    - Define the torque requirements and the mechanical limits

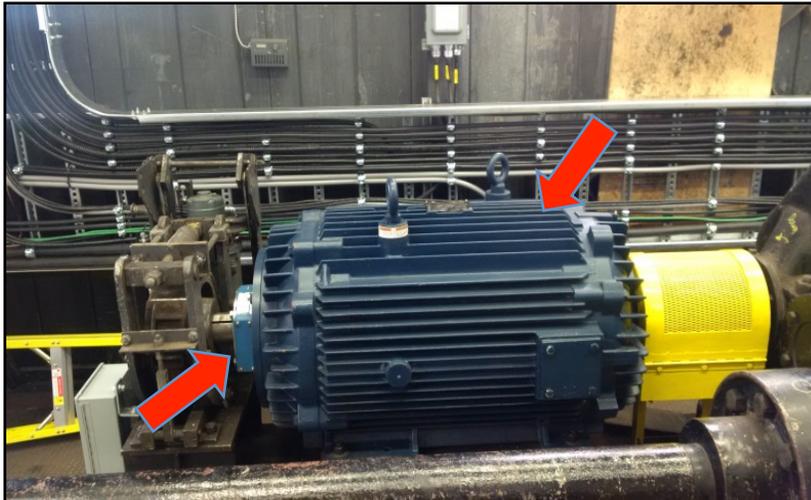
Theoretical calculations		Bridges					
		2	3	9	10	7A	7B
Bridge torque (ft-lbs) (normal operation/motor)	Starting	1116	1116	1410	1510	1430	1430
	Acceleration	1134	1134	1285	1370	1235	1235
	Running	844	844	970	1040	978	978
Bridge torque (ft-lbs) (excessive operation/motor)	Starting	1516	1516	1730	1855	1680	1680
	Acceleration	1371	1371	1400	1475	1460	1460
	Running	1212	1212	1255	1335	1205	1205
Motor torque (ft-lbs) per motor	Normal	660	660	945	1030	960	960
	Excessive	800	800	940	1000	925	925
	Existing	970	970	973	973	970	970





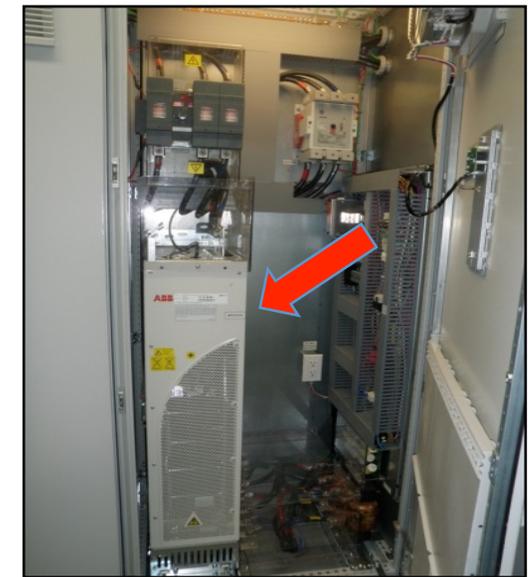
# Project challenges and strategies

- Electric
  - Make a study
    - Select the best value for the motor and the drive



## Marathon motor (Bleu Max) with Avtron encoder

- Class H insulation (195°C)
- 200 % of the rated value (1 min.)
- Vector duty
- Speed ratio 2000:1 (0,8 to 1750 rpm)
- Bearing life time (100k hours)
- Squirrel cage



## ABB (ACS800) drive

- Master/slave and individual control
- High peak current (200%, 10 sec.)
- Precise speed (0,01%) and torque loop ( $\pm 1\%$ )
- Brake control



# Project challenges and strategies

- Electric
  - Make a study
    - Define the control strategy
      - Speed control by the drive
      - Brakes control by the drive
      - PLC supervise the drive
      - Ethernet communication
    - Define the safety requirement
      - Overspeed detection
      - Communication lost detection
      - Emergency device selections



Safety Contactor



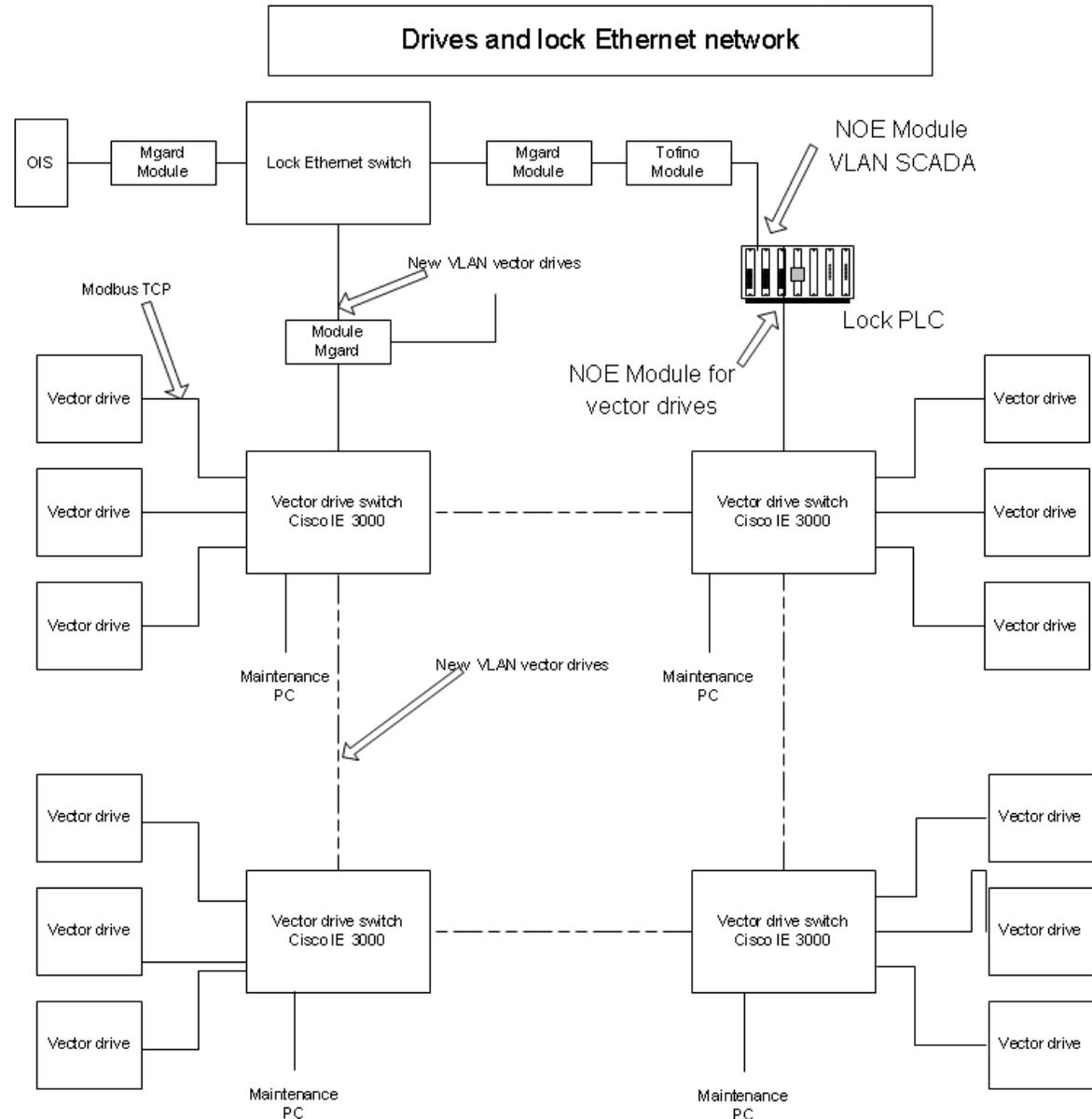
Safety  
Overspeed relay





# Project challenges and strategies

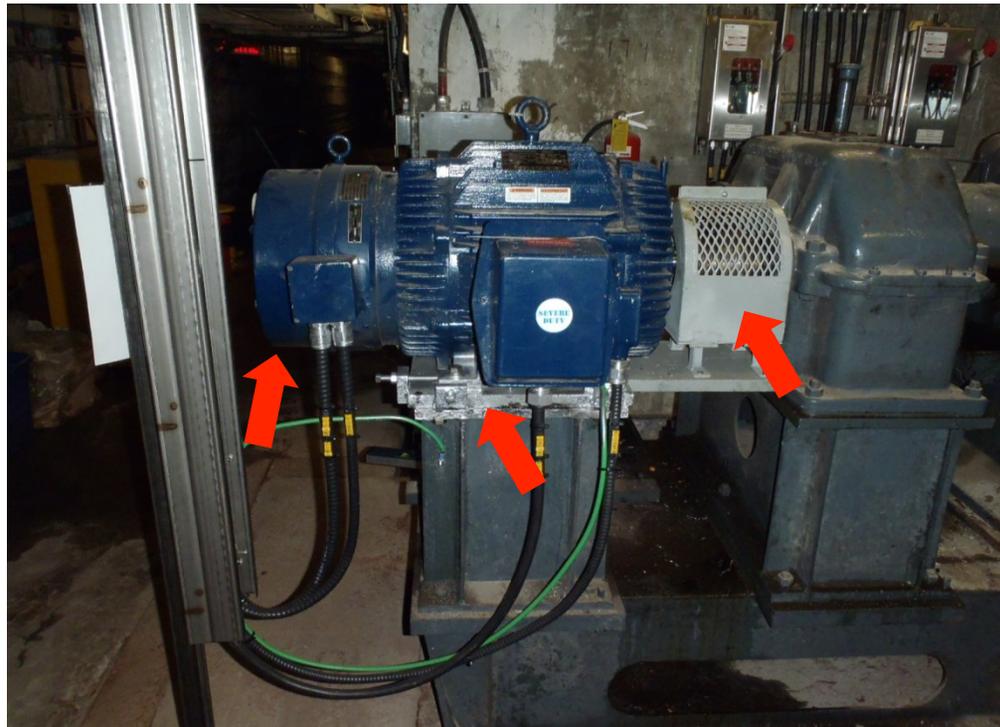
- Electric
  - Make a study
    - Ethernet communication





# Project challenges and strategies

- Mechanic
  - Design a standard transition base incorporating the service brake and improve the protection

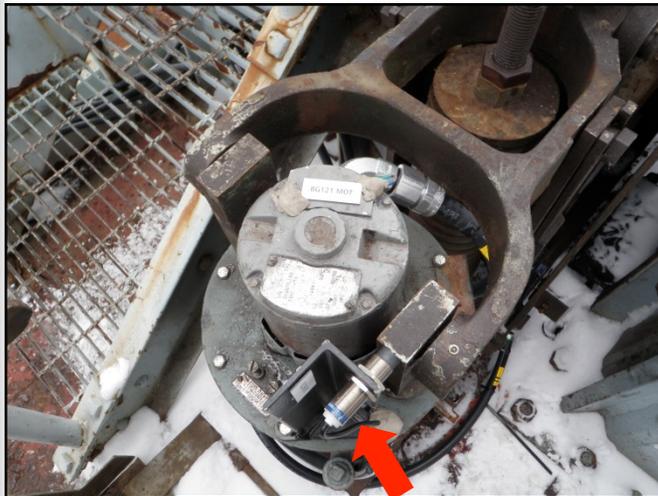


Lock motor transition base and brake assembly

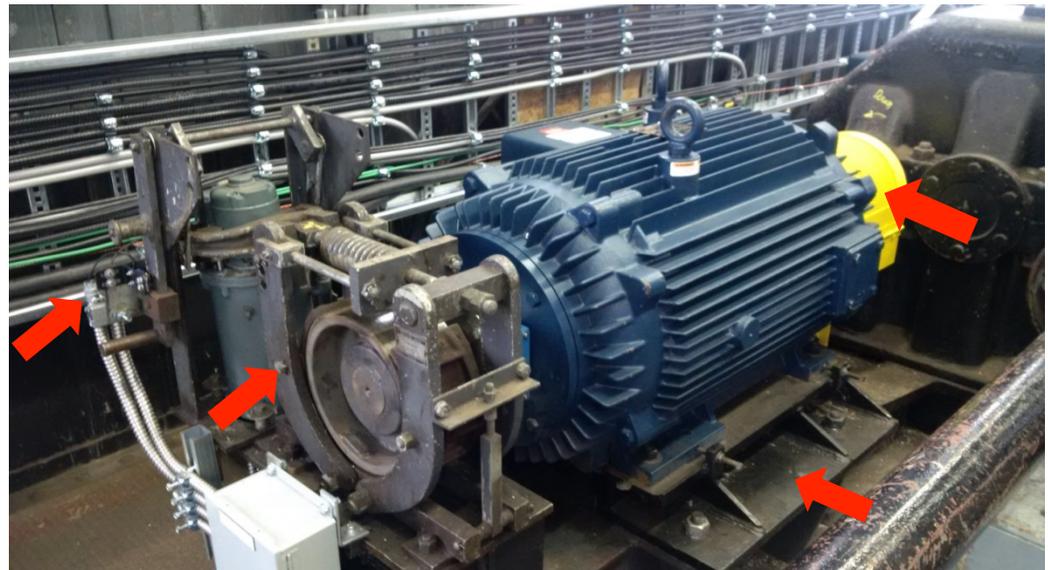


# Project challenges and strategies

- Mechanic
  - Design a standard transition base incorporating the service brake and the position detector



Brake position detector



Bridge motor transition base and brake assembly



# Project challenges and strategies

- Mechanic
  - Use the same motor couplings





# Project challenges and strategies

- Safety
  - Optimize the security and work sequence to the worksite



Bridges 7A and 7B equipment rail transportation





# Project challenges and strategies

- Safety
  - Optimize the security and work sequence to the worksite



Bridge equipment transportation security



# Project challenges and strategies

- Safety
  - Optimize the security and work sequence to the worksite



Bridge machine room congestion



# Project challenges and strategies

- Budget

Structure	Maisonneuve region budget			
	Contract	Material	Engineering	Total
Lifting bridge (one (1) 175hp motor)	190 000 \$	245 000 \$	158 000 \$	593 000 \$
Lifting bridge (two (2) 175hp motors)	286 000 \$	220 000 \$	125 000 \$	631 000 \$
Bascule bridge (one (1) 75hp motor)	239 000 \$	120 000 \$	127 000 \$	486 000 \$

Note : The engineering include the worksite inspection





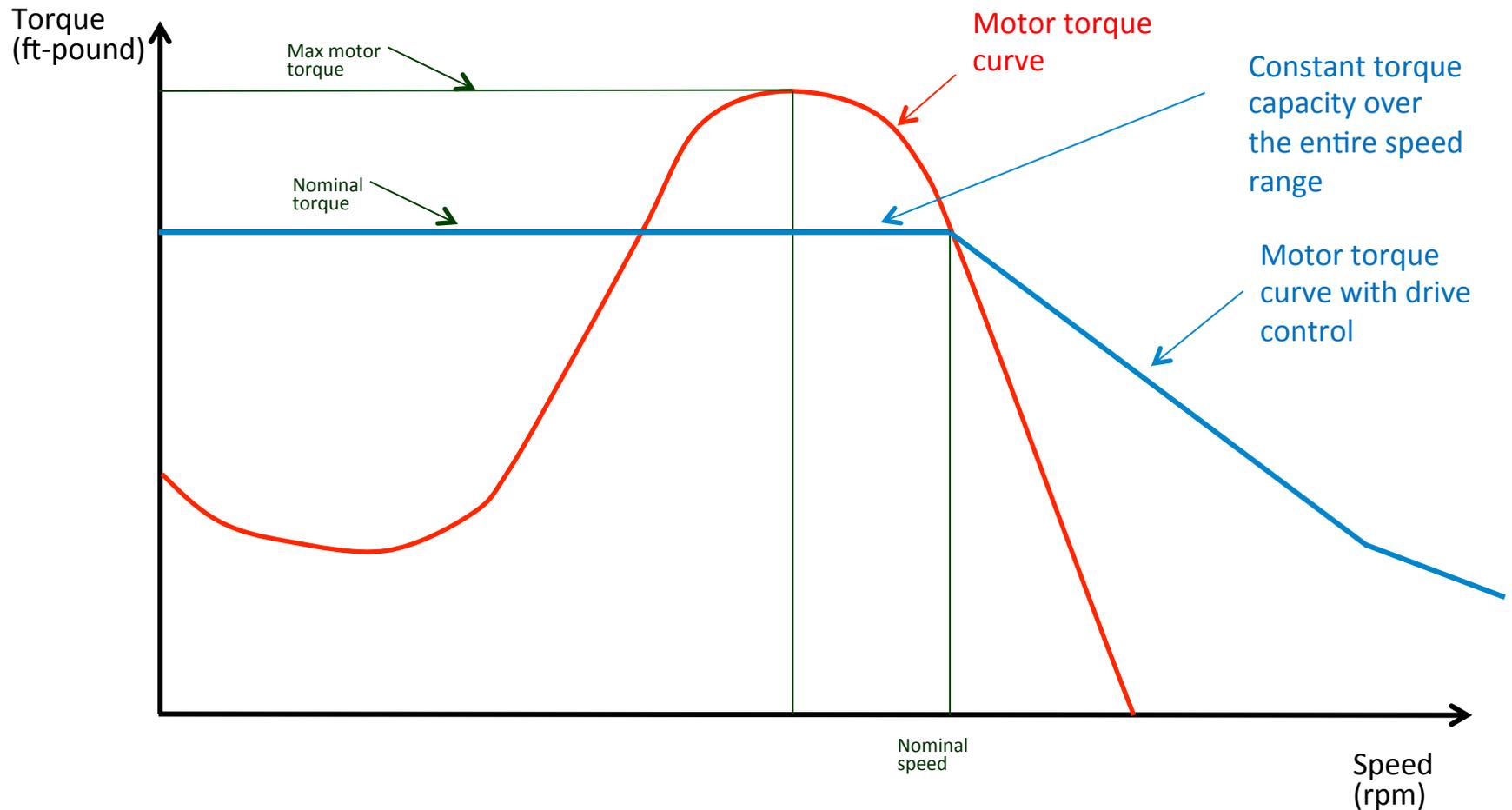
# Project improvements





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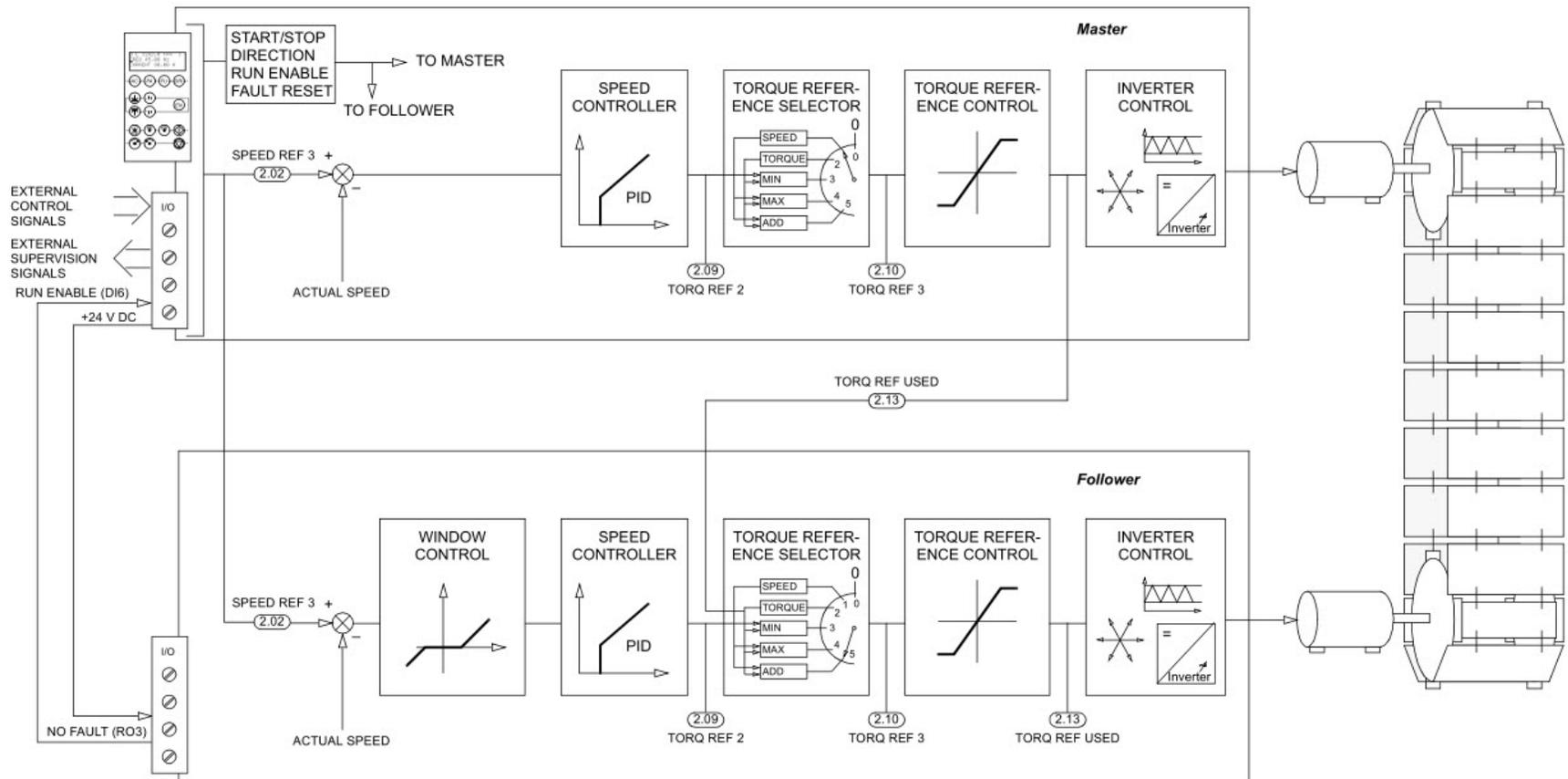
- Better speed, torque and braking control





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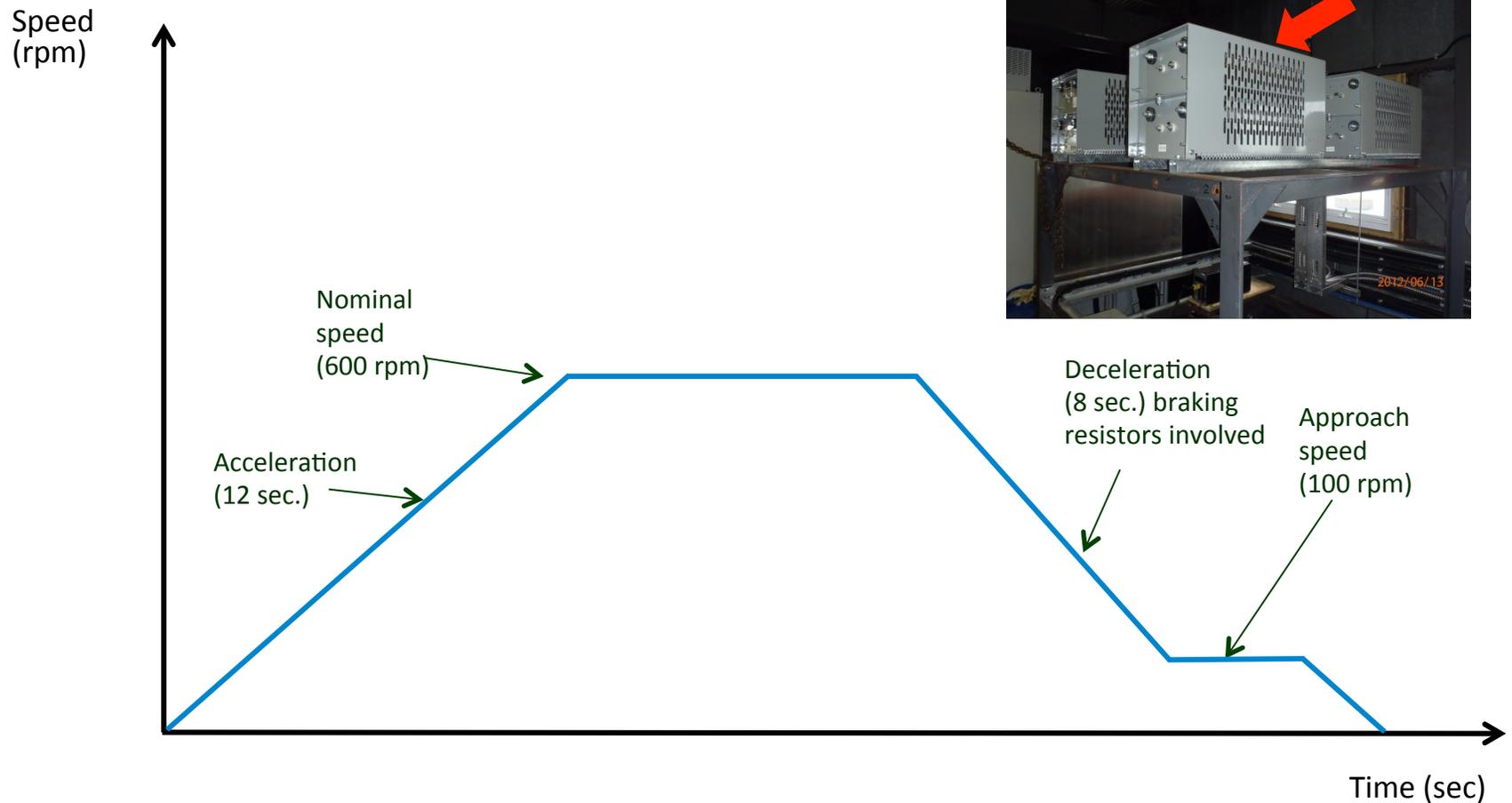
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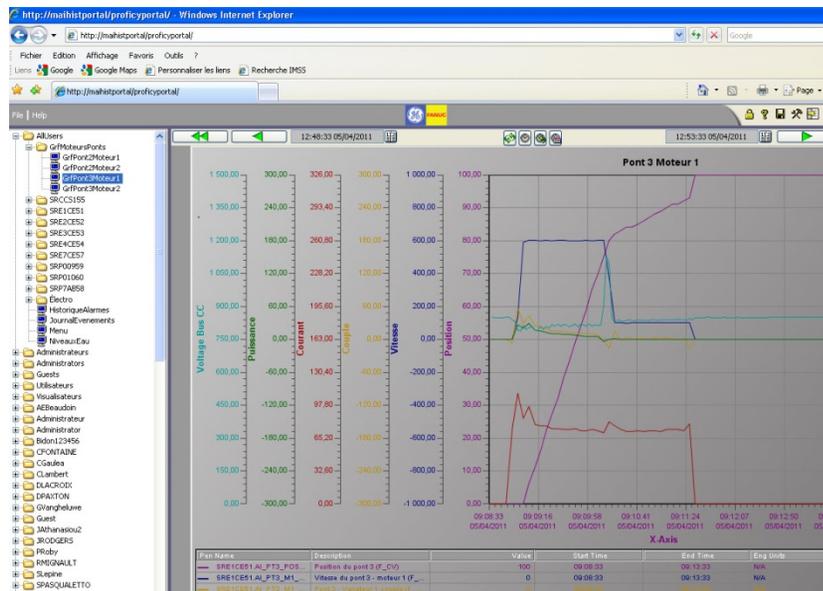
- Reduce mechanical stress and vibration





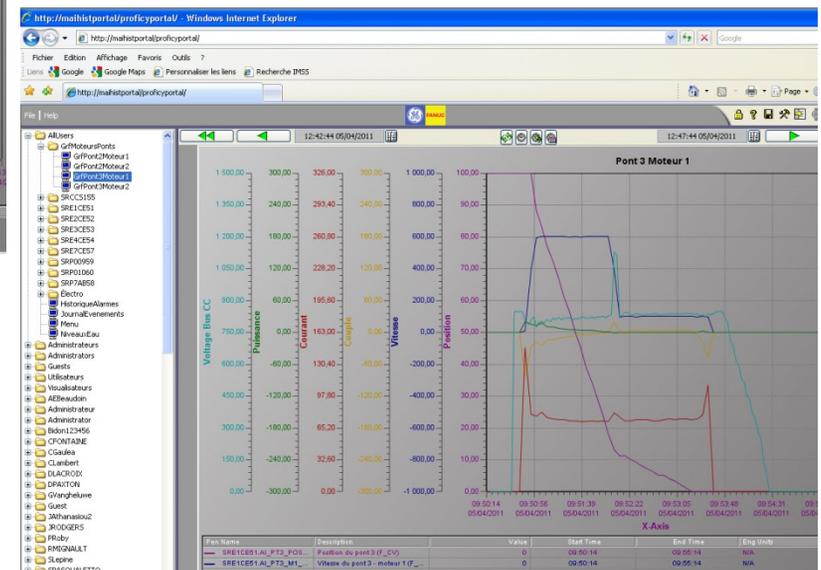
# Project improvement

- Provide statistic performance for comparison (Historian)



Bridge moving up

Bridge moving down





# Lessons learned





# Lessons learned

- Make mechanical and electrical preparation, inspection and verification prior to the installation
- Select the right components and the right installation for noise immunity



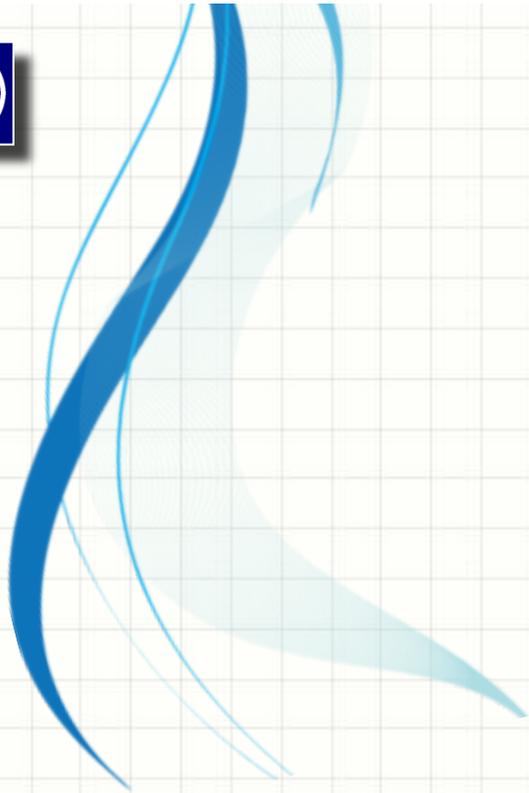
Vessel  
Radar  
protection



# Lesson learned

- Using drive integrator service on start-up
- The learning curve of the first installation is one year
- Repeatable adjustment
- Proceed with drive training every year to keep the knowledge and the efficiency
- Install vibration protection





# Conclusion





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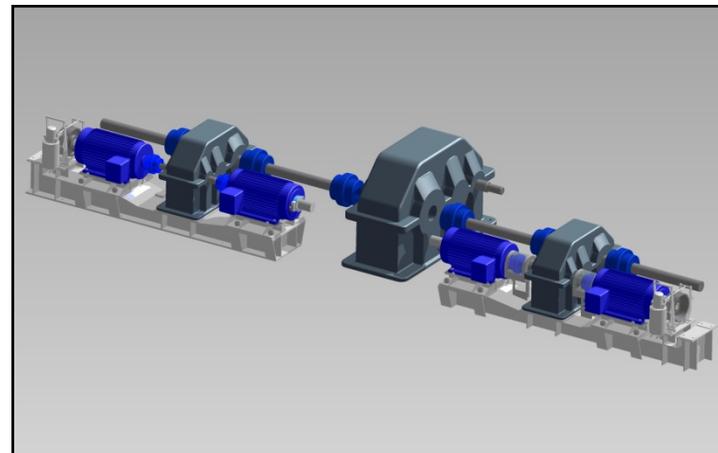
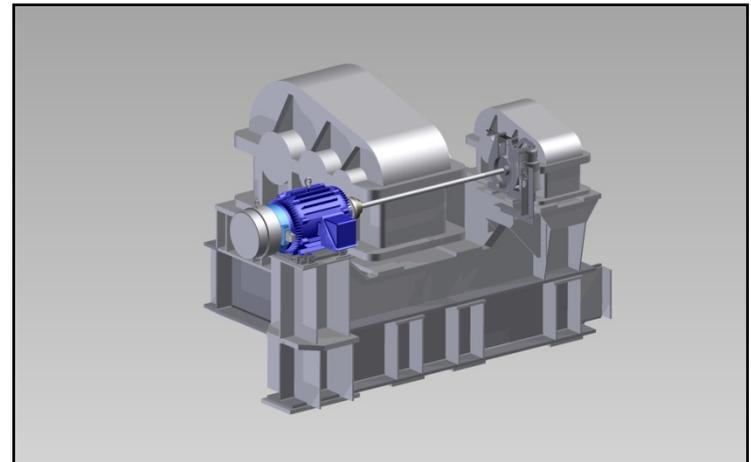
- The drive increases the performance and the flexibility
- Selecting the right strategy and design pays off

(study, engineering one (1) year before installation)





# ANY QUESTIONS ?





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