

Press release

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HMS and Power Central leverage Ewon® Flexy to offer a Unified ERP Solution for Food Packaging Businesses

Power Central, a systems integrator specializing in food packaging process optimization, is offering an Azure-based solution for food packaging. What used to take manufacturers 20 hours of analysis can now be done in less than 20 minutes. This makes for faster and better business decisions.

Power Central's SaaS application monitors exactly how much material is used during each production run, in real-time. This information is compared with the number of units produced and the amount of material returned to stock. Additionally, it measures the run time of any given line or machine. Information is collected automatically by reading machine data or semi-automatically with QR codes eliminating manual entry errors.

All data collected is refined into easy-to-read dashboards allowing the manufacturer to better understand their use of ingredients and machine utilization. As a result, the cost per product can be monitored day-to-day. In an environment where ingredient costs fluctuate daily, this information is critical to determining accurate costs.

The Ewon Flexy gateways from HMS Networks allow Power Central to capture data directly from machines during the production cycle. "By capturing information directly from machines, Power Central can eliminate human errors which are common in these production environments" says Viswanath Puttagunta CEO of Power Central. "Additionally, the act of monitoring the production process itself leads to better performance across the manufacturing staff."

"HMS is excited to partner with Power Central on this technology. Power Central is an example of how data can lead to optimized decision-making. The food processing industry can benefit greatly from the Power Central system" says Tom McKinney Director of Engineering Services at HMS.

Visit HMS's [Power Central solution page](#) for more info on this solution.

Watch the [HMS Azure Microservices webinar](#) highlighting Power Central

About HMS Networks

HMS Networks is a leading company within Industrial ICT (Information and Communication Technology). HMS develops and manufactures products under the Anybus®, Ixxat®, Ewon® and Intesis® brands. Development takes place at the headquarters in Halmstad, and in Ravensburg, Nivelles, Igualada, Wetzlar, Buchen and Delft. Local sales and support are handled by branch offices in Germany, USA, Japan, China, Singapore, Italy, France, Spain, the Netherlands, India, UK, Sweden, South Korea and UAE, as well as through a worldwide network of distributors and partners. HMS employs over 600 people and reported sales of SEK 1,519 million in 2019. HMS is listed on the NASDAQ OMX in Stockholm, category Mid Cap, Information Technology.

About Power Central

Experience in tackling the Food Manufacturing industry's most complex problems led the Power Central leadership team to collaborate on creating an affordable, holistic solution for small-midsize operations. The result is a superior holistic solution that can be implemented in a short period of time. The intelligence-driven Power Central ERP system addresses:

- End-to-End Traceability for FDA, FSMA, SQF with easy-to-use Barcode Mobile Apps
- Product Cost & Profitability
- Actionable Insights on Cash-Flows, Demand and Resource Planning.

The Power Central team offers the perfect blend of technology, process, and domain expertise to stabilize, scale, and grow food packaging business through advisory, implementation, training, and support.

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