



# The Magnificent Maintenance Engineer

**THERE'S A TIME IN EVERY MAINTENANCE ENGINEER'S WORKING LIFE WHEN HE FEELS LIKE CLINT EASTWOOD AS THE MAN WITH NO NAME. RIDING INTO TOWN COMPLETELY ALONE, HE HAS TO DEAL OUT ROUGH JUSTICE TO THE OUTLAWS, THE CATTLE RUSTLERS – OR THE FAILED MOTOR OR BEARING. BUT WHEN NON-FUNCTIONING MACHINERY, THE PRODUCTION MANAGER AND HEALTH AND SAFETY LEGISLATION ARE ALL LINED UP AGAINST HIM, IS IT ANY WONDER HE SOMETIMES FEELS OUTGUNNED?**

The pressures on the Maintenance Engineer come from all sides, and sometimes it feels as if maintaining the machinery is the lowest priority a business has – until it goes wrong. Then suddenly, maintenance takes priority – second only to blaming the Maintenance Engineer for the failure.

But don't worry: there is someone on your side. Like you, ERIKS knows the vital importance of regular, proactive maintenance. And we have the weapons to help you fight your corner and get the chance to do the job you were hired for. So instead of you taking the rap for downtime when a machine goes wrong, we can help you take the praise for keeping machines running longer, more efficiently, and at optimum productivity.

The key is to target your efforts, your budget and your maintenance at the critical machinery in your care, to pinpoint what needs doing and

when, and to do it before a potential problem becomes an actual disaster.

#### **Easier said than done?**

Not with ERIKS riding shotgun.

Our Condition Monitoring expertise helps you to break free of a maintenance timetable that is like it is 'because it always has been'. Instead, by identifying the most critical machinery and then condition monitoring it, you can carry out carefully targeted maintenance precisely when it's required, and have the ammunition to defend yourself against the Production Manager when he asks why a machine is being taken out of service.

Better still, you can show that planned predictive maintenance will actually result in less downtime, less lost production, and greater productivity during uptime, than reactive maintenance has in the past.

ERIKS also has the resources and the expertise to support you and save you time in other ways: like keeping you up to date on the latest Health and Safety legislation and technological developments, for example. If anything comes up that you should know about, we can alert you and help you be prepared to act as necessary.

ERIKS 'solution neutral' approach to maintenance also means you don't have to worry that costs will run away with you. If a piece of equipment is identified as failing, ERIKS has the products available to replace – but also the capability to repair to original specification with no loss of power or performance. We can also advise on the most appropriate and cost-effective route to take.

But solving the immediate problem isn't ERIKS only focus. Our know-how and experience enable us to look at the bigger picture, and make recommendations to remove production inefficiencies, eliminate potential causes of repeat failures, then carry through our recommendations.

Clint Eastwood might have ridden off into the sunset, but ERIKS sticks around to watch you back.

**To discuss a visual survey to identify which of your machinery would benefit from Condition Monitoring, contact ERIKS on 0845 006 6000**