

# Oil & Gas

Energize your  
Communications with



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# **Kepware Communications Platform**

## **Proven Technology for Rigorous Communications Standards**

Kepware offers flexible, scalable, and affordable solutions for connecting, monitoring, controlling, and managing diverse automation devices and software applications across multiple telemetry options, including radio and modem types, Ethernet TCP/IP, serial multi-drop, and satellite. Communications are managed through a robust software platform that supports an array of client interfaces including OPC, EFM, propriety communication protocols, and APIs. Kepware enables improved operations and decision making by providing real data to SCADA systems as well as EFM output to validation and accounting systems.

### **Communication Drivers:**

Information is interpreted and translated through Kepware's vast library of communication protocols and interfaces, allowing information to flow seamlessly between automation and enterprise systems. Kepware provides drivers for open standards and industry leading automation equipment, spanning over 300+ protocols.

### **Built-in Redundancy:**

Kepware's RedundancyMaster and Media-Level Redundancy Plug-In establish a reliable and uninterruptable network for monitoring and controlling the automation processes. RedundancyMaster increases reliability by marshaling redundant pairs of communication servers. Media-Level Redundancy is used to establish a redundant connection of a single device or a pairing of two devices. Both redundant methodologies can be used together to eliminate a single of point of failure within a system.

### **Electronic Flow Measurement:**

A significant number of flow devices and flow computers have the ability to store raw historical flow measurement data and perform computations on this data. Kepware drivers with EFM capabilities retrieve the data on a configurable interval basis and the EFM Exporter creates appropriately formatted output files for upload into flow analysis / accounting software (i.e., Flow-Cal, PGAS, etc.) for custody transfer purposes.

### **Communications Tunneling:**

OPC UA tunneling uses a client / server architecture to transfer data over the Internet, WAN, or LAN. It creates a secure connection through firewalls and complements existing internal OPC DA connectivity. The OPC UA tunnel boasts security, ease of use, and maintainability.

### **Information Linking and Logic:**

Kepware's Advanced Tags plug-in allows users to link information among components in an OPC Server project. The LinkMaster product expands this capability to enable information to be linked among separate OPC servers. Logic and Math functions on tags can be performed using Advanced Tags. Users can measure the duration of operations, totalize events, perform averages, set trigger conditions for data acquisition, and combine machine conditions to generate an overall machine state- all in a convenient, cost effective, and straightforward way. These capabilities are extremely valuable for high-level archive and subsequent analysis.

### **Data Logging:**

The DataLogger application that logs data from a Kepware server to any ODBC-compliant database. DataLogger within Kepware server provides substantial, unique benefits such as simple installation, high-efficiency performance, and browsing of tags in the OPC browse space.

# Why Kepware?

Connecting disparate automation devices and systems is our only business and we provide the right solution to meet the specific challenges of every industry we serve. The experience Kepware brings for the oil and gas industry is backed by:



## Proven Interoperability

Be confident that all of your information systems can “talk” to each other with nothing lost in the translation. Automation and enterprise information systems can work together now and into the future through Kepware’s growing and updated communications portfolio.



## Centralized Communications

Kepware consolidates data and information from various sources – refineries, pipelines, offshore drilling sites, and more – consistently and reliably in a single, centralized source for automation communications. As a result, you can reduce network traffic, device and system resource usage, and data inconsistencies.



## On-Demand Scalability

Kepware software is designed to grow with your company’s evolving communication requirements without interrupting your established equipment. Its on-demand modular design makes it easy and efficient to scale existing Kepware solutions.



## Industrial Strength

Since 1995, Kepware has pioneered high quality communication and interoperability software solutions for the most demanding industry requirements through our rigorous testing and certification from the OPC Foundation. The Kepware server and driver communications are designed to be secure by default.

# Kepware Communication Solutions Can Reenergize Your Business Today

Kepware is an interoperable software solution that connects disparate devices and systems delivering information throughout your organization. Kepware's oil and gas product suite is a single-server platform providing centralized communications with the scalability, industrial strength, and interoperability to meet the varied business challenges in the oil and gas industry.



Kepware can be configured for upstream, midstream, and downstream companies to help them connect, monitor, manage, and control diverse automation devices and software applications across multiple telemetry options.

## **Upstream: Improve success backed by faster, better decisions**

Seizing opportunities in oil and gas exploration and production demands quick, strategic action based on informed decisions. You need fast and easy access to complex project data and information across multiple geographic sites that include offshore drilling platforms, onshore rigs, and well sites. Kepware helps you manage data from disparate sources and make better business decisions faster by providing:

- A single source of integrated data – operational, production, geologic, and asset management
- Better visibility of onshore, offshore and field data. Easier data sharing with all project stakeholders

## **Midstream: Monitor environmental impact, oil and gas flow, and ensure proper reporting of custody transfer**

Managing diverse assets and pipeline infrastructures, staying compliant with multiple regulatory mandates, and ensuring reliable product transmission and distribution throughout the supply chain – doing business in the midstream sector is exceptionally complex. Custody transfer data for documentation and reporting must be quickly visible and accessible to manage ownership. You'll need to monitor and manage flow and leak detection to reduce risk of non-compliance and environmental impact. Kepware can help you streamline many aspects of your midstream operations by providing:

- Visibility into pipeline performance data across multiple geographic areas
- Easier, faster data collection and consolidation for audits
- Automated data consolidation and distribution between gathering plants, pipelines, and refineries

## **Downstream: Gain visibility and control to improve business decisions and operational excellence**

Improve operations and intelligence through increased automation and access to information is essential in a competitive global market. As refineries look to increase profitability, throughput, safety, and reliability, many are turning to automation and leveraging the vast amount of data that is available. The ability to see and act on various events within the process is critical to improving business operations and long-term success. Kepware enables refiners to achieve these improved levels of operational performance by providing:

- Real-time visibility into process data and information
- Alarm and event notification of potential safety or environmental hazards
- Tracking of production irregularities in real time
- Equipment health and network asset monitoring



## UPSTREAM

Exploration & Production Communications Support:

- Wellsite Information Transfer Specification (WITS Level 0)
- Lufkin (Rod Pump Controller, Variable Speed Drive, Injection Well Controller, Progressive Cavity Pump)
- Weatherford (Rod Pump Controller, Rod Pump Optimization Controller, ePIC Variable Speed Drives)

## MIDSTREAM

Pipeline, Pump Station, & Monitoring Communications Support:

- ABB Total Flow (EFM)
- Bristol/IP
- Daniel Modbus
- Dynamic Modbus
- Enron Modbus (EFM)
- Fisher ROC/ROC+ (EFM)
- Modbus RTU
- Modbus Ethernet
- Omni Flow Computers (EFM)
- EFM Exporter (Electronic Flow Measurement)
  - Flow-Cal
  - PGAS
  - CSV

## DOWNSTREAM

Refinery & Distribution Communications Support:

- Allen-Bradley PLCs and Controllers
- GE Intelligent Platforms PLCs and PACs
- Honeywell Controllers and DCS
- Mitsubishi PLCs
- Modbus Devices
- Omron Controllers
- Siemens PLCs and Controllers
- SIXNET RTUs and Controllers
- Yokogawa Data Recorders and PLCs
- and many more...

