

Siemens System to Help U.S. Retail Chain 99¢ Only Stores Control Energy Consumption

The 99¢ Only Stores retail chain recently installed a Site Controls enterprise-wide energy management system (EMS) from Siemens Industry Inc.'s Building Technologies Division at each of its more than 300 locations throughout the southwestern U.S. The chain retail store, which sells a variety of discounted consumable products, installed the systems to control its overall energy spending. The integrated energy and facilities management solution is expected to help lower energy consumption and identify energy outliers.

The Site Controls EMS will control lighting and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) for the chain retail store. The system will also include a daylight harvesting energy-saving component at select locations.

Prior to selecting Siemens' enterprise-based proactive management solution, 99¢ Only Stores were using the traditional approach of "set it and forget it." However, after reviewing the results of four pilot stores with the Siemens EMS installed for a few months, they realized that installing an EMS system without an above-site management process often results in inconsistent system adjustments, inaccurate data monitoring, inefficient equipment performance, and unrecognized savings potential.

"We wanted to reduce our energy costs but not at the expense of our shoppers' comfort," says Tony Yera, vice president of store operations for 99¢ Only Stores. "Siemens' Site Controls EMS fits our criteria of providing enterprise-wide visibility, global control from our home office, exception ranking, and a knowledgeable partner for technical support."

Siemens deployed the enterprise-wide system in only six months. Additionally, Siemens' expertise and a cloud-hosted platform will help 99¢ Only Stores lower IT and administration costs and access continuous innovation through seamless software upgrades.

“In our experience, clients operate with roughly 30% of their HVAC fleet in a state of disrepair or in need of service,” says Siemens' Lee Norman, director of client services. “With the cloud-based analytics provided by the Site Controls platform, customers like 99¢ Only can proactively identify and address those HVACs that have the most impact on either comfort or energy consumption. Even with limited maintenance and repair dollars, 99¢ Only can still get the most return on investment, using Siemens technology.”

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