

OBSOLESCENCE HUB AND SWITCH WITH CONNECTIONS IN OPTICAL FIBRE

Gea Procomac points out that the Hubs and Switches with connections in optical fibre for Ethernet networks, installed on plants supplied before 2007, use a technology which is now to be considered obsolete.

The Hubs and/or Switches with optical fibre supporting the communication by means of Ethernet network between the various GEA Procomac machines present in your plant (generally one of the mentioned equipments inside the main electric cabinet is present in each machine pertaining to the line).

The Hubs and Switches with optical fibre of the latest generation differ from the equipment currently installed substantially by the following characteristics :

	<i>Obsolete equipment</i>	<i>New equipment</i>
Optical transmission modality	LED	Infra-red
Protocol transmission	10 FL	100 fx
Type of optical connection	ST	SC

The different characteristics above mentioned, render the Hubs and Switches currently installed not compatible with the approved equipment available on the market, therefore in case of breakage or abnormality of one of the Hubs or Switches present in the Ethernet network the replacement of all the remaining Hubs and / or Switches will be necessary.

In conclusion the impossibility to purchase Hubs or Switches with the previous characteristics of optical transmission and the time needed to repair the equipment currently installed which is considerably long, obviously can expose yourselves to the risk of an extremely extended period of production stoppage.

GEA Procomac therefore suggests the planned replacement of the Hubs and/or Switches with optical fibre which will guarantee in you in not encountering the above mentioned problems assuring you the availability of our technicians to intervene for wiring and testing of the new equipments optimizing the costs at your charge.



CONDITIONS OF SUPPLY

As regards to the commercial conditions we kindly ask you to contact our Upgrades Dept who will formulate the best technical / commercial proposal for the replacement of the Hubs and/or Switches with optical fibre.

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