THE POTENTIAL IMPLEMENTATION OF CIM IN MALAYSIAN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

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ABSTRACT

CIM commonly used abbreviation for Computer Integrated Manufacturing. It deals with the fundamental effect on manufacturing industry of integrating manufacturing activities and facilities using computers. In this report, questionnaire survey was conducted in order to gather information about the level of CIM implementation in Malaysia. From the questionnaire feedback it, can be concluded that the level of CIM implementation are still very low. Majority of the manufacturing company in Malaysia had implemented CIM partially. It is also noted that, the manufacturing company in Malaysia are also have possibility to further (fully) implement the CIM.

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INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of Project

Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM) is the phrase to describe the complete automation of manufacturing plant, with all processes functioning under computer control and digital information tying them together.

In CIM, the traditionally separate functions of research and development, design, production, assembly, inspection, and quality control are all linked. Consequently, integration requires that quantitative relationships among product design, materials, manufacturing process and equipment capabilities and related activities be well understood. In the way changes in, for example, material requirements, product types, or market demand can be accommodated. Also, high quality is far more attainable via the integration of design and manufacturing.

1.2 Objective of Project

The objectives of the project are:

1. To study what is Computer Integrated Manufacturing in the context of: