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#### Review

"... a must-have text on this subject. It provides not only students, but those who deal with SCADA, insight into the various technologies and systems that exist along with their differences?both strengths and weaknesses. ... a very thoughtful resource on such an important, and rapidly changing, topic. This book also provides the next generation of power engineers with a ready reference to understand where we have been and where we can go in the not-too-distant future."

?David W. Roop, from *IEEE Power and Energy Magazine*, January/February 2016

"As a power system operator having nearly four decades of experience and as an end user of the supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems, I have always found the available literature on SCADA as limited and in the form of documents by vendors or in the form of research papers. This book is a first of its kind in the sense that it is 'vendor neutral' and very lucidly brings out various fundamental concepts related to SCADA. The book provides an excellent reference material both for beginners and practicing professionals. I would strongly recommend the book to all power system engineers as an essential reference material. ... It provides an understanding of the historical and legacy systems as well as an insight into the new technologies. Automation is the key to the future, and the book appropriately delves into this aspect."

?Sushil Kumar Soonee, Power System Operation Corporation, New Delhi, India

"The authors cover all of the building blocks and detailed functionality of electric power SCADA systems, including a good deal of legacy hardware and older techniques. This is important because most large existing systems contain a mix of new and old equipment, with the latter being very poorly documented and therefore hard for newcomers in the field to understand. I would recommend this book to college students/new graduates as well as professionals coming from other industries who want to understand how electric power SCADA got to where it is, why it is evolving into new technologies, and what types of real-world challenges they will be encountering."

?Michael Thesing, Patterson & Dewar Engineers, Inc., Norcross, Georgia, USA

"Each topic, like 'SCADA system' and 'remote terminal unit' (RTU), has been introduced with a simple block diagram showing the various components followed by description of each component thereof. This approach will immensely help the student to learn the topic easily and systematically. Photographs of actual (commercially available) products like RTUs and relay intelligent electronic devices (IEDs) make the book very useful to students who are about to enter the engineering profession and to practicing engineers. ... Advanced topics like 'alarm suppression techniques' and 'intelligent electronic devices' have been dealt with thoroughly. A laboratory implementation of SCADA, named 'SCADA lab', will be very useful as a learning model to students and as a research model to researchers. A full chapter on 'SCADA communications' does justice to this topic. The following topics are very well addressed in the book: small, medium, and large master stations; software modules of master stations; and human-machine interface (HMI) hardware components and software functionalities. ... Issues like 'open' and 'proprietary' systems and 'message security' enhance the value of this book. 'Case studies in SCADA systems' give an insight into the practical SCADA systems. The concepts of 'single master - single RTU', 'single master - multiple RTU', and 'multiple master - multiple RTU' have been explained with simple block schematics. ... The authors have a

long experience of teaching the subject and working in the area, and ... the book has been written well. ... In my view, there was a long-felt need for a book of this type. The book does full justice to the subject of SCADA."

?HK Verma, Sharda University, Greater Noida, India

"The book is well written and well organized with good details to describe the basic concepts and key features of SCADA systems, including the overall system architecture, key components, functionalities, and the applications, as well as the adjacent sub-systems, such as the communication systems and the fielded electronic devices. A few practical application example cases are also included in the book, which will be very useful references for the readers."

?Jiyuan Fan, Southern States LLC, Hampton, Georgia, USA

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