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Letter from the General Manager

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The other day, we had an office Thanksgiving lunch. It was the traditional meal, with all the fixings. We all gathered at the table, getting stuffed (just like the Turkey). The time gave us an opportunity to be thankful of what we have – our family and friends, and at that meal, our work family. It was almost 400 years ago that the Pilgrims all gathered for their Thanksgiving meal, celebrating their first year in Massachusetts, and getting used to their new home.

Earlier this year, HYPACK too, had a new home. Still within Xylem, we transferred from the Analytics group to the Advanced Infrastructure Analysis (AIA) group. With more than 500 employees in the AIA, and with offices around the world, HYPACK will look to build on the strengths of our new family. We already had a few projects going this year, and the synergies will certainly enhance the HYPACK® platform for better visualization (3D feature sets), new sensor interfaces, and more. (The more is something that keeps us going with bigger and better ideas for everyone to use). There may be a few changes going on here, but we're still HYPACK, and we are working to make the best hydrographic solution for our clients.

Four hundred Thanksgivings is a lot turkeys to cook. While not as many, we will be hosting the 26th annual HYPACK training event in January in Corpus Christi, TX. It's a great way for folks to see the work that has been done by the team over the past year. The event will kick off with the *What's New* presentation, a nice summary of the changes done in the software since the last release. The hard part of that presentation is to consolidate the hundreds of changes into a manageable Powerpoint presentation that lasts 45 minutes. Some of the features will have the "wow" factor, while others will be the "ho hum" factor. It's hard to make everyone excited about everything, but we try our best.

Looking forward to 2019, we will again be taking HYPACK® on the road – hosting single-topic classes with hands-on processing, visiting 20+ countries for the international seminars, and attending some of the hydrographic conferences. Tell us if we are missing something, and we'll do our best to try to include it in the plans for next year.

Happy and Safe Thanksgiving to All.

Harold