

# ELIMINATING MINING SIZER BEARING FAILURES

GreaseBoss successfully improved lubrication management and eliminated grease related failures on a Queensland coal mine's crushing circuit by implementing the **Critical Point Monitoring solution**.

## CHALLENGES FACED

A Tier 2 coal mine in Queensland was experiencing **a major failure occurring every two months, costing the mine \$8 - \$13.5m per failure in lost production.**

**Incorrect lubrication was identified as the root cause** of most of these failures. All of the sizers had been installed with an automatic lubrication system by the OEM, which was tuned and managed by the OEM.



## SOLUTIONS PROVIDED

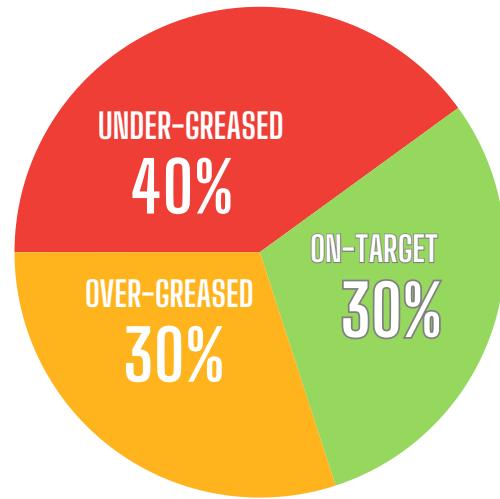
GreaseBoss implemented the **Critical Point Monitoring solution**, installing 52 **Endpoint LF** units on the two crushing trains.

This solution provided near **real-time lubrication volume data**, allowing for immediate **comparison of planned vs actual greasing volumes** to the engineering design.

## MEASURABLE OUTCOMES

### PLANNED VS ACTUAL COMPLIANCE REPORTS

The day after installing the Critical Point Monitoring solution using Endpoint LF units, it was found that **only 30% of grease points were greased properly.**



### DETECTED AUTOLUBE PUMP FAILURE

Adjustments were made to ensure each grease point received the correct volume. Six months later, **a failed autolubricator pump was flagged** by GreaseBoss data, which went unnoticed by site SCADA systems and site inspection.

This allowed for timely replacement before any bearing failures occurred. There has been **no grease-related bearing failures on the sizing equipment since the installation.**

### RETURN ON INVESTMENT

The estimated savings for the customer was \$60m annually for a \$50,000 investment.

**ROI = 120,000%**

