



## StrataFlows Automated Project Tracking for JP Samuel and Associates

Using Spreadsheets to determine hours tracked on projects for employees was an administrative nightmare. **JP Samuel and Associates** needed to come up with a more efficient way to track employee time allocated for projects. **Spreadsheets were not working.** StrataFlows provided a solution configured specifically for their company.

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JP SAMUEL & ASSOCIATES  
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS

### About JP Samuel and Associates

JP Samuel and Associates was founded in 2007 and they are in Ancaster, Ontario. They have a Structural Engineering group of experience professionals who design and deliver innovative and practical solutions. They handle hundreds of different Architectural and Engineering projects each year. They were founded by James Samuel P.Eng. with the objective of providing the structural engineering services to exceed their client's vision and expectations. Even years later, the company still stands behind this claim. We consistently work on improving our service so that we can find the most effective solution for our customers.

### Challenges

JP Samuel and Associates were using spreadsheets for tracking project hours. They had a shared master spreadsheet used for data entry by all the employees. Each week, the office manager would create a new excel sheet for the given week. Employees would enter the work hours they spent on each of the projects daily for the given week into the spreadsheet. At the end of the week, the accountant would manually copy & paste the weekly data into another spreadsheet that had formulas and calculations built-in based on their need. Such a process was extremely tedious and error prone.

## Why JP Samuel and Associates chose StrataFlows

JP Samuel and Associates could not find an online solution that would provide what they wanted. They did not want to fit their process into any out-of-the box solution. StrataFlows offered a solution that automated their time tracking process and configured to their needs.

## How StrataFlows Responded

Our deployment Engineers met with them and understood their requirements. We then worked with them once every two days until we had a working prototype. We took incremental feedback and adjusted the StrataFlows process to exactly match what they needed. Once we had the process functional to their satisfaction, we provided administrative and user training. StrataFlows did a pilot rollout for a couple of weeks, took feedback from their users, and made adjustments to improve the overall process and user experience.

## The Results

With the StrataFlows solution in place, each of their employee have their own login to enter the hours worked on each project daily. This information is aggregated, and a report is generated on a weekly/monthly/yearly basis using the built-in StrataFlows built-in report designer. At the end of the week, a report is sent out to the Accountant in Excel format

The StrataFlows solution helped eliminate the manual process involved in their time tracking and completely automated the process. By using an automated solution like StrataFlows, they were able to reduce the human errors involved in generating the reports.

With the StrataFlows solution, the Engineers at JP Samuel and Associates can now enter the data from anywhere on a mobile device. They have the freedom and flexibility on the go, at a job site or anywhere. The automated report generation saves numerous hours on a weekly basis.

## Do you have Processes that need to be Automated?

We have helped thousands of users by providing automated processes configured for their needs. If you have any processes that lack efficiency or transparency, we can help. If you would like to know more, please [connect with us](#).