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**Re: 2nd 70-GPM WesTech UF Skid w/3 Toray HFUG-2020AN Modules ([PR#111-2023](#))
Detroit Water System (PWS ID#[00257](#))
Final Approval**

Dear Mr. Del Moro:

Thank you for your submittal to the Oregon Health Authority’s Drinking Water Services (DWS) of your request for final approval letter and supporting documentation received on October 26, 2023 addressing the conditions in my Conditional Approval letter dated August 23, 2023. **The project involving the installation of a 2nd 70-GPM WesTech AltaPac AP-III UF Skid with 3 Toray HFUG-2020AN modules is granted Final Approval and the facilities may be placed into service.** See Table 1 for pathogen removal credits and Table 2 for operating conditions. The previously required WT-1 operator in direct responsible charge remains unchanged.

Note that given the temporary nature of the membrane plant, there is **no combined filter effluent turbidimeter**. **The highest individual filter effluent turbidity is required to be reported each month on the [membrane reporting form](#).** Also note, that there is a high turbidity alarm that will shut down the filter unit and alert the operator that turbidity has exceeded 0.15 NTU. **Once the filter unit is shut down due to this 0.15 NTU high turbidity alarm, the filter unit must pass a direct integrity test prior to resuming operation.**

Each of the two 70-gpm membrane filter units is granted log removal credits (LRCs) for pathogen removal as shown in Table 1. The LRCs are based on a verification of the NSF-419 Challenge Study Report for the installed membrane modules.

Table 1 – Filter Log Removal Credit (LRC)

Pathogen	Removal Credit (log ₁₀)
<i>Giardia lamblia</i>	4.0
<i>Cryptosporidium sp.</i>	4.0
Viruses	0.0

4.0-log virus inactivation can be achieved by providing the 0.5-log inactivation of *Giardia* required post-filtration. The monthly [reporting form](#) will also use the 0.5-log inactivation column in the CT tables when filling out the CT required column. The existing 2014 tracer study conducted August 23, 2014, for the 200,000-gallon glass-fused-to-steel tank demonstrating 66 minutes of contact time (“T”) at an average reservoir effluent flow of 302 gpm and reservoir level of 14.2 ft (147,100 gallons) still applies.

The LRCs are only valid provided operations are within the limits shown in Table 2. Ensure SCADA/PLC programming continues to account for the operating limits in Table 2 (e.g., set system alarms to ensure operating limits are met).

Table 2 – Operating Limits

Operating Parameter	Limit
Direct integrity test (DIT) frequency	Conduct at least 1 DIT each day of operation
DIT duration/hold time	5 minutes (300 Seconds)
DIT starting test pressure	20 psi
Minimum allowed DIT pressure	18.24 psi throughout the 5-minute DIT duration @ 3.65 BP _{max}
Maximum allowable pressure decay rate (PDR) upper control limit (UCL)	UCL = 0.08 ^{psi} / _{min} (calculated using a max flow of 70 gpm/filter unit w/3 HFUG-2020AN modules/filter unit)
Minimum DIT pressure transducer accuracy (and span in psi) for the established UCL ¹ [psi/min]	± 0.05 % of span (± 0.25 psi @ 50 psi) for the WIKA A10 sensor (span = 0 – 50 psi expected measurement range)
Membrane Minimum Performance (LRV _{ambient})	LRV _{ambient} = 4.0-log (must be ≥ 4.0-log LRC)
DIT Sensitivity (LRV _{DIT}) - depends on the pressure transducer accuracy in measuring a response due to a breach (e.g., broken fiber) in the membrane filtration units.	4.57-log. LRV _{DIT} is the maximum LRV that can be reliably demonstrated by the DIT given the use of the WIKA A-10 pressure sensor @ ± 0.05% of span. The challenge study demonstrated 5.17-log removal value (LRV _{C-TEST})
Maximum transmembrane pressure (TMP)	29 psi at 20°C
Maximum allowed filtrate flux [gfd]	120 ^{gal} / _{SqFt} / _{day} @ 20°C (80.75 gpm/module x 3 modules = 242.25 gpm/filter unit)
Individual filter effluent (IFE) turbidity	Not to exceed 0.15 NTU for > 15 consecutive minutes
Combined filter effluent (CFE) turbidity	CFE ≤ 1 NTU in 95% of readings and always less than 5 NTU
Automatic Shutdown Conditions (i.e., shut filter unit down and conduct a DIT to demonstrate membrane integrity is intact)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PDR > UCL ○ LRV_{ambient} < LRC ○ IFE > 0.15 NTU for > 15 min ○ CFE > 5.49 NTU (may prompt boil water notice)

¹ **Pressure transducer accuracy** is typically based on the manufacturer’s stated accuracy (best fit straight line), expressed as % of span. The accuracy calculated in terms of [psi/min] must be less than or equal to the UCL in [psi/min]. Accuracy in terms of [psi/min] is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Accuracy in psi/min} = (\% \text{ Accuracy} \times \text{Max of span in psi}) / \text{DIT duration in minutes}$$

LRV_{ambient} is the best metric for demonstrating compliance with the log removal credit (LRC) granted. To remain in compliance, LRV_{ambient} must be equal to or greater than the LRC for *Cryptosporidium* shown in Table 1. LRV_{ambient} is calculated using the formulae, constants, and variables shown in Table B-1 of Appendix B.

Note that LRV_{ambient} values displayed in SCADA are indicated as “LRV_{DIT}” as shown below but should be displayed as “LRV_{ambient}”. Please consider contacting WesTech to make this change in the SCADA system.

This remainder of this letter includes the following summary tables:

- 1) Project Description
- 2) Appendix A - Explanation of operating limits and terms in Table 2.
- 3) Appendix B – Formulae, constants, and variables used in calculating the log removal value (LRV_{ambient}) of each membrane filter unit/train using current (ambient) operating conditions.
- 4) Appendix C – Product specifications for the selected membrane modules.

Thank you for your cooperation and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (971) 200-0288 or e-mail me at evan.e.hofeld@oha.oregon.gov.

Sincerely,

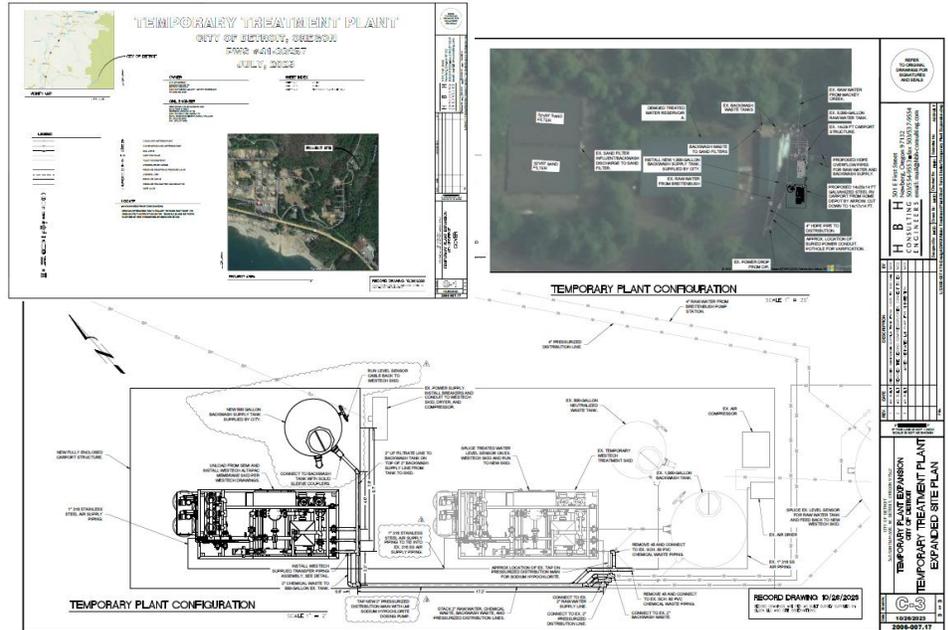


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Project Description:

On August 10, 2023, our office received plans for a 2nd 70-GPM WesTech AltaPac™ AP-III filter skid with three (3) Toray HFUG-2020AN ultrafiltration membrane modules (challenge tested to NSF-419-18), identical to the treatment skid approved in 2021 under plan review (PR) # [180-2020](#). A plan review fee of \$285 was received on August 18, 2023 and the project was assigned [PR# 111-2023](#).



The project under PR #180-2020 included installation of a temporary water treatment plant that was installed after the wildfires in 2020 to serve a reduced number of connections (less than 300) in the Detroit Water System. This new 70-gpm treatment plant under PR# 111-2023 augments the existing 70-gpm UF filter system, giving a total capacity of 140-gpm. Long term, another treatment plant will be built to serve a larger population. This new system is housed in a secure, but temporary storage shelter and utilizes the existing clearwell used for disinfection contact time.

The temporary membrane treatment plant approved under PR# 111-2023 is granted 4.0-log removal of *Giardia* and 4.0-log removal of *Cryptosporidium*. The water system must meet the 4-log inactivation of viruses through appropriate contact time with chlorine at the entry point (i.e., after the treatment plant, prior to the first user). 4.0-log virus inactivation can be achieved by providing the 0.5-log inactivation of *Giardia* required post-filtration. **New monthly [reporting forms](#) are available for membrane filtration plants.** These forms will also use the 0.5-log inactivation column in the CT tables when filling out the CT required column.

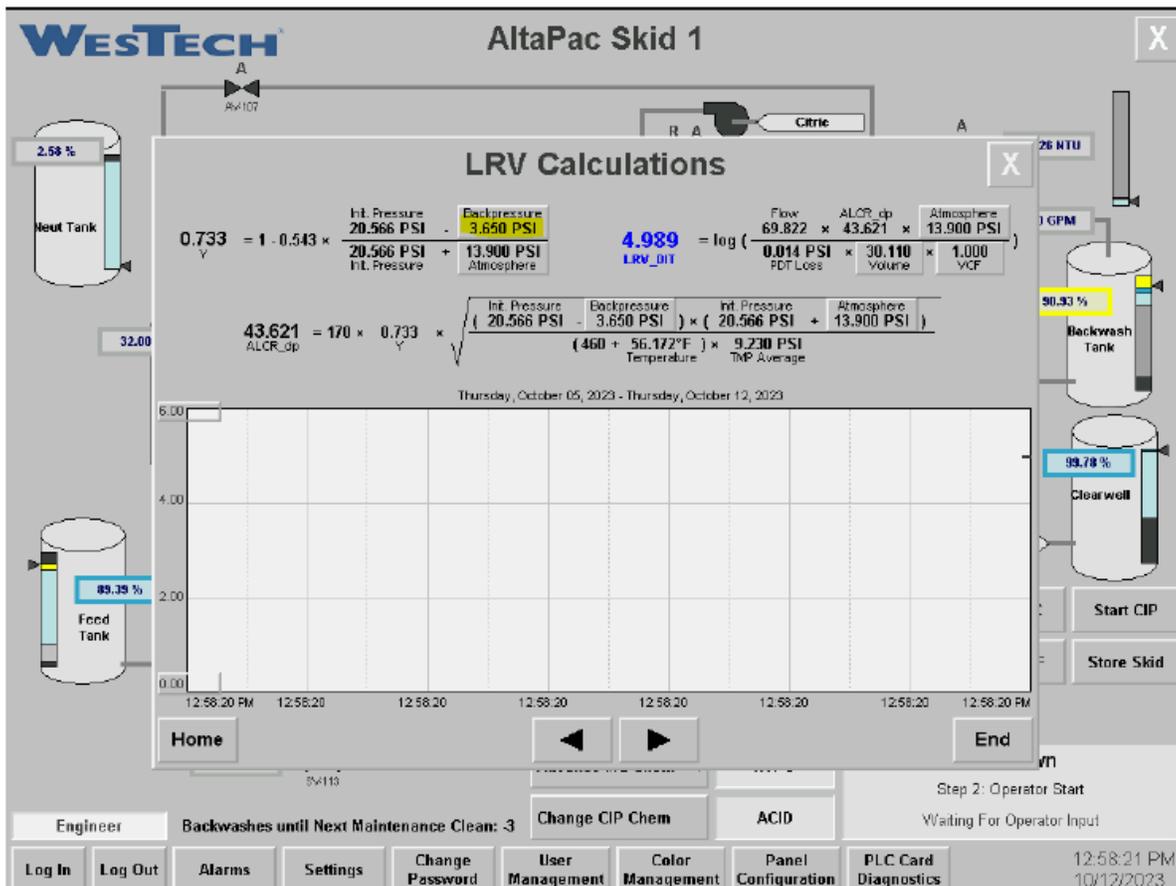
Because the water system is using the existing 2014 tracer study to demonstrate the 0.5-log post-filtration disinfection, the limits of that tracer study apply. The 2014 tracer study conducted August 23, 2014, for the 200,000-gallon glass-fused-to-steel tank demonstrated 66 minutes of contact time at an average reservoir effluent flow of 302

gpm and reservoir level of 14.2 ft (147,100 gallons). The water system must use a contact time “T” of 66 minutes, which applies for as long as the reservoir level does not drop below 14.2 ft (147,100 gallons). The city must measure chlorine, pH and temperature daily when the plant is in use from the reservoir effluent line (considered to be the “first user”) for purposes of calculating CT required.

The previously required WT-1 operator in direct responsible charge remains unchanged.

The following images received October 26, 2023, show the SCADA screens in use for the new filter unit and record drawings, followed by Appendix A (explanation of operating limits) and Appendix B (LRV_{ambient} calculations and variables):

LRV_{ambient} is being calculated live and is visible on the HMI at any given moment. The operator can open the following screen when desired. The LRV equation contains both a live ALCR value and flow, and the most recent DIT pressure loss. The LRV in blue font is the LRV_{ambient} in the screenshot below.



- R. LRV alarm is set at 4.0 – log
- R. The system is set to run at a set flow rate of 70 gpm. Toray recommended maximum flow rate is 66 gpm per module.

WESTECH AltaPac Skid 1

AltaPac General Settings

General	Production Flow	Maintenance Clean	Clean-In-Place
Production Time: 70.0 min	Constant Flow	Chemical Time 1: 30.0 sec	Recycle Time: 2.00 hr
Backwash Time: 20.0 sec	Constant Flux Rate	Chemical Time 2: 45.0 sec	Hypo Dose: 2000 mg/L
Air Scour Time: 50.0 sec	Feed Tank Level Control	Soak Time: 20.0 min	Acid Dose: 5000 mg/L
Drain Time: 45.0 sec	Backwash Tank Level Control	Frequency: 0 BW's	Flow per Module: 8.00 GPM
BW Flow Factor: 1.10	Flow Setpoint: 70.0 GPM	Storage Dose: 100 mg/L	Backwash Repeats: 1
Modules Installed: 3	Flux Setpoint: 60.00 GFD	Hypo Dose: 500 mg/L	
Filtrate Read Delay: 3.0 min		Acid Dose: 300 mg/L	
Modules Area: 969.0 sq. ft.	Pressure Decay Test	Hypo Count: 3	
Design Flux: 75.0 GFD	Auto Start Time: 08 : 10	Acid Count: 1	
TMP Offset: 5.0 in.	Test Pressure: 20.0 PSI	Backwash Repeats: 2	
LRV Warning: 4.200	Warning: 0.060 PSI		Pre-Filter Flush
LRV Alarm: 4.000	Alarm: 0.080 PSI		Flush DP: 7.0 PSI
			Quick Flush DP: 10.0 PSI
			Flush Pressure: 40.0 PSI

Engineer Backwashes until Next Maintenance Clean: 3 Change CIP Chem ACID Waiting For Operator Input

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R. The Trans Membrane Pressure shutdown is set at 29 psi.

Desc: Trans-Membrane PSI (0 , 0)

Tag: PD-115

Units: PSID

	Description:	Set Point:	Deadband:	Delay:	Vis:
0	LSH3: Shutdown Alarm:	29.000 PSID	0.000 PSID	0 ms	✓
Raw Maximum: 0	LSH2:	25.000 PSID	0.000 PSID	0 ms	✓
Raw Minimum: 0	LSH1:	22.000 PSID	0.000 PSID	0 ms	✗
EU Maximum: 30.000 PSID	SP: Control Set Point:	0.000 PSID	0.000 PSID	0 ms	✗
EU Minimum: 0.000 PSID	LSL1:	0.000 PSID	0.000 PSID	0 ms	✗
Filter Constant: 0	LSL2:	0.000 PSID	0.000 PSID	0 ms	✗
0.000 PSID	LSL3:	0.000 PSID	0.000 PSID	0 ms	✗

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

0.0860 NTU

0.00 GPM

15.00 C

7.011 pH

91.51 %

99.99 %

00 GPM

PP-12 0 Hz

Distribution

Home

5.563 PSI

0.18 NTU

Loop Tuning: 16:18 10/04/2023

Flow Totals: 0.014 psi/min, 4.989 LRV

PDT Auto Start Enabled

Advance MC Chem: 1 HYPO

Change CIP Chem: ACID

Start BW

Start MC

Start CIP

Start PDT

Start PFF

Store Skid

Start Skid

Shutdown

Step 2: Operator Start

Waiting For Operator Input

Engineer Backwashes until Next Maintenance Clean: -3

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R. WesTech advises to take the membrane unit out of service and notify the Operator with a Shutdown Alarm if the IFE turbidity exceeds 0.15 NTU for more than 15 minutes. However, WesTech advises against triggering a DIT if the filter effluent turbidity is greater than 0.15 NTU for more than 15 minutes. In the past, WesTech has seen this trigger cause the system to be stuck in a loop because the high turbidity may not solely originate from damaged fibers. WesTech advises to trigger a system shutdown and have the operator go through several troubleshooting steps. Troubleshooting may require water quality testing, running a DIT, or others.

WesTech Alarm Control - AltaPac Skid 1							X						
	EN	LTC	DCN	HRN	S/D	TMR							
AT-123 - Filtrate Turbidity EPA 15 Minute Limit	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	800.0	AT-125 - Skid pH Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0
PDT Warning	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0	TT-124 - Temperature Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0
PTD Alarm	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0	LT-142 - CIP Tank Level Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0
AT-123 - Filtrate Turbidity High Alarm	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	0.0	AT-123 - Filtrate Turbidity Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0
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PD-115 - Trans-Membrane PSI Shutdown Alarm	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	0.0	AT-125 - Skid pH High Shutdown	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
PT-110 - Membrane Feed Pressure Shutdown	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	0.0	AT-125 - Skid pH Low Shutdown	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
AT-115 - Permeability Low Warning	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0	FT-121 - Skid Flow High Alarm	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
PT-120 - Filtrate Pressure High Shutdown	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	0.0	FT-121 - Skid Flow Low Alarm	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
Quick Stop Pushed	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	0.0	TT-124 - Temperature Heater Interlock	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
PT-180 - Air Pressure Low Shutdown	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	0.0	TT-124 - Temperature Low Alarm	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
AT-113 - Feed Turbidity Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0	PP-11 - Feed Pump Fault. See control face plate for details	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
PT-100 - Feed Pressure Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0	PP-12 - Backwash Pump Fault. See control face plate for details	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
PT-110 - Membrane Feed Pressure Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0	Unused Alarm (28)	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
PT-120 - Filtrate Pressure Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0	Unused Alarm (29)	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
PT-180 - Air Pressure Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0	Clearwell Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0
FT-121 - Skid Flow Instrument Fault	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	5.0	Clearwell Low Alarm	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	0.0

System
AltaPac Skid 1
AltaPac Skid 1 B

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Desc: Filtrate Turbidity (0 , 0)

Tag: AT-123

Units: NTU

Value	Description	Set Point	Deadband	Delay	Vis
4666	LSH3: High Alarm:	3.000 NTU	0.000 NTU	0 ms	✓
Raw Maximum: 20000	LSH2: EPA 15 Minute Limit:	0.150 NTU	0.000 NTU	0 ms	✓
Raw Minimum: 4000	LSH1: Normal High:	0.100 NTU	0.000 NTU	0 ms	✓
EU Maximum: 2.000 NTU	SP: Control Set Point:	0.000 NTU	0.000 NTU	0 ms	✗
EU Minimum: 0.000 NTU	LSL1:	0.000 NTU	0.000 NTU	0 ms	✗
Filter Constant: 0	LSL2:	0.000 NTU	0.000 NTU	0 ms	✗
	LSL3:	0.000 NTU	0.000 NTU	0 ms	✗

Thursday, October 12, 2023

0.0833 NTU

0.00 GPM

14.83 C

7.021 pH

50.73 %

100.01 %

Distribution

Home

5.503 PSI

0.17 NTU

Loop Tuning

Flow Totals

PDT Auto Start Enabled

Advance MC Chem 1 HYP0

Change CIP Chem ACID

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Step 2: Operator Start

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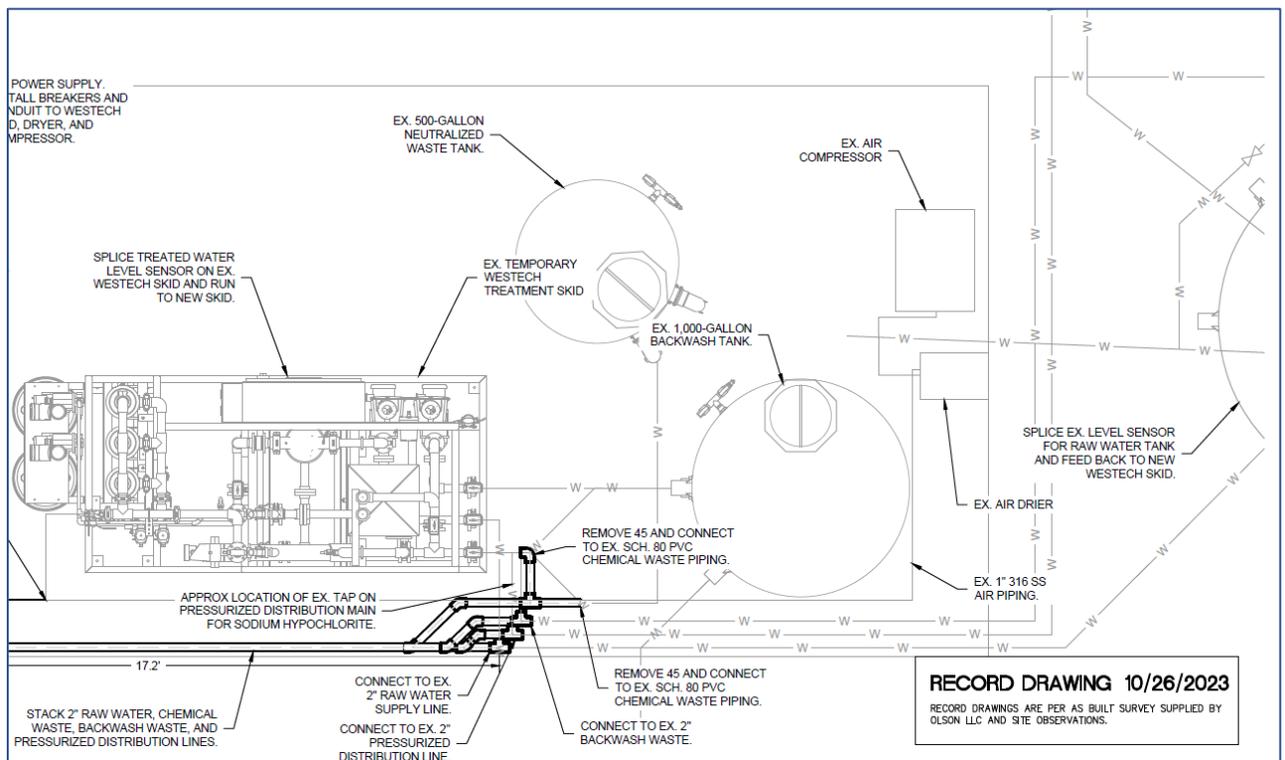
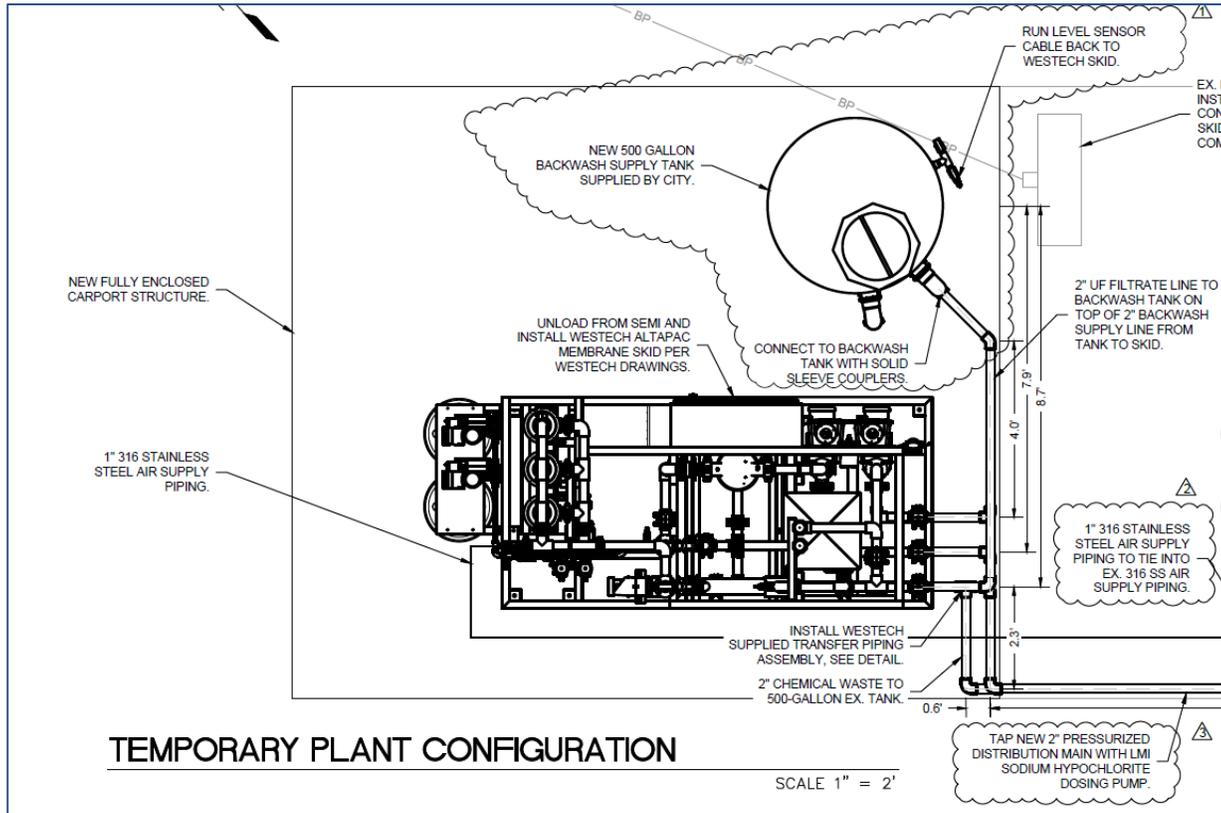
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0.014 psi/min

4.989 LRV

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Appendix A

Explanation of operating limits and terms in Table 2.

The ability of membranes to filter out pathogens (referred to as **membrane integrity**) is to be tested in two ways:

- 1) Continuously using a turbidimeter that monitors the effluent turbidity from each membrane unit, often called **individual filter effluent (IFE)** turbidity monitoring, and
- 2) Once a day using a more direct pressure decay or “air hold” test, often called a “**Direct Integrity Test**” (**DIT**) because the air hold test is a direct test for leaks or broken membrane fibers.

Direct Integrity Testing (DIT):

Like checking for leaks in a car tire, the membranes are pressurized with air and held for a set amount of time. Air hold times are generally 2 – 10 minutes. A pressure sensor then detects a drop in the held pressure. This pressure drop is called a pressure decay, measured in psi. How fast the pressure drops (or decays) is called the **pressure decay rate (PDR)**, measured in psi/minute. The pressure decay rate is the drop in pressure (psi) divided by the air hold time (minutes) expressed in psi/minute. In some cases, the SCADA will display only the pressure decay in psi and it is up to the operator to know the hold time and determine the decay rate in psi/minute.

Demonstrating compliance:

Should individual filter effluent turbidity exceed 0.15 NTU for more than 15 consecutive minutes, the membrane unit needs to be taken out of service and undergo a direct integrity test. Turbidity is an indirect indicator of membrane integrity and requires a direct integrity test (DIT) to directly determine membrane integrity.

In order for a DIT to be able to demonstrate that the membranes are intact (do not have holes or broken fibers), the membrane needs to be pressurized to a certain minimum pressure (the **minimum direct integrity test pressure**) and the pressure decay rate needs to be under a specified upper limit or “**Upper Control Limit**” (**UCL**).

The results of the DIT can be used to calculate a pathogen removal efficiency under ambient operating conditions achieved by the membranes. This log removal value is termed “**LRV_{ambient}**” and can be used to demonstrate compliance by directly comparing this performance metric to the log removal credit (**LRC**) *Cryptosporidium* awarded in Table 1.

More detail on the terms introduced above and the operating limits (e.g., upper control limit, etc.) in Table 2 are further described on the following page.

- DIT Turbidity Trigger (IFE > 0.15 NTU for > 15 min): A direct integrity test (DIT) must be performed on each filter unit if the individual filter effluent (IFE) turbidity is greater than 0.15 NTU for more than 15 minutes. This must be programmed into the SCADA system. Should the IFE turbidity exceed 0.15 NTU for more than 15 minutes, the membrane unit must be taken out of service and undergo a DIT. The membrane unit must not be placed back into service unless it passes the DIT (see Upper Control Limit below). Membrane fiber repair/pinning is often needed to remedy this situation.
- DIT Daily Trigger: A DIT is also required each day of operation. If the pressure decay rate (PDR) drops below the upper control limit (UCL in psi/minute), then the DIT is considered to have failed and the unit must be automatically taken off-line & repaired and/or retested to show that it passes a DIT before being placed back into service. In other words, should the PDR of the daily PDT (or “air hold test”) exceed the UCL, this should indicate a “failed” DIT and the membrane must be taken out of service and may not be placed into service until it passes a DIT. **A new DIT may be immediately run after a DIT failure, or repairs may be needed first (e.g., fibers pinned, leaks at pipe fittings repaired, etc.) followed by passing a new DIT.**
- DIT test pressure: The minimum DIT pressure (i.e., the test pressure at the end of the DIT) must not drop below the minimum DIT pressure stated in Table 2. **Should the pressure during a DIT drop below the level in Table 2, the DIT is considered invalid or “failed” and must be repeated. Starting test pressures are often established (with consultation with the membrane manufacturer) above the minimum DIT pressure to ensure that the test is valid.**
- Upper Control Limit (UCL) in psi/min
Every membrane system has an Upper Control Limit (UCL) measured in psi/min . The UCL is the highest pressure decay rate (PDR) allowed during a direct integrity test (DIT). Exceeding the UCL indicates DIT failure. The failing membrane unit shall not operate until it passes a DIT. Ensure that the SCADA/PLC system is programmed to account for this UCL.
- Membrane Performance ($\text{LRV}_{\text{ambient}}$): The results of the direct integrity test will be used to determine the log removal value of *Cryptosporidium* that is based on ambient or

current operating conditions (LRV_{ambient}). The main difference between LRV_{DIT} (see DIT sensitivity on the following page) and LRV_{ambient} is the use of the current operating flow when calculating LRV_{ambient} . Lower flows could yield a lower (less conservative) LRV value. Since the pathogen removal credit is in terms of a log removal value, membrane performance must be determined to demonstrate compliance with the pathogen credit awarded using the same unit of measure [log]. Formulae, constants and variables used to calculate LRV_{ambient} are included in Appendix B of this letter. In summary, LRV_{ambient} is the metric for demonstrating compliance. LRV_{ambient} must be equal to or greater than the log removal credit for *Cryptosporidium* shown in Table 1.

- **TMP**: The transmembrane pressure or “TMP” is the pressure drop across the membranes and must not exceed that indicated in Table 2. The log removal credit is awarded based on this TMP as it reflects the operating conditions at the time of the challenge study conducted to demonstrate the membrane’s ability to remove *Cryptosporidium*.
- **Flux**: The flux ($\frac{\text{flow}}{\text{filter feed area}}$) is the flow per square feet of membrane surface area on the feed or inlet side of the membranes per day [$\frac{\text{gal}}{\text{SqFt}}/\text{day}$ or “gfd”]. The flux must not exceed that indicated in Table 2. The log removal credit is awarded based on this flux as it reflects the operating conditions at the time of the challenge study conducted to demonstrate the membrane’s ability to remove *Cryptosporidium*.
- **Automatic Shutdown Conditions**: **The filters must be taken off-line or otherwise shut down, repaired and/or re-tested if any of the following occurs:**
 1. $PDR > UCL$. The DIT PDR exceeds the UCL in Table 2.
 2. $LRV_{\text{ambient}} < LRC$. The LRV_{ambient} is less than the log removal credit (LRC) in Table 1
 3. $IFE > 0.15 \text{ NTU}$ for $> 15 \text{ min}$. The individual filter effluent (CFE) turbidity exceeds 0.15 NTU for more than 15 minutes.
 4. Combined Filter Effluent (CFE) turbidity exceeds 5.49 NTU (your regulator should be contacted should CFE turbidity exceed 1 NTU. A boil notice may be required above 5.49 NTU).
- **DIT Sensitivity (LRV_{DIT})**: The results of the direct integrity test (pressure decay rate or “PDR”) and the design flow can be used to determine the DIT sensitivity, expressed as a log removal value of *Cryptosporidium* (LRV_{DIT}). This LRV_{DIT} is calculated as shown in Appendix B and must be equal to or greater than the log removal credit (LRC) shown in Table 1.

Appendix B

Formulae, constants, & variables used in calculating the log removal value (LRV_{ambient}) of each membrane filter unit using current ambient operating conditions.

Table B-1. Formulae and variables used in the LRV_{ambient} programming

Specification	Value
LRV_{ambient} equation	$LRV_{ambient} = \log_{10} \left(\frac{Q_p \cdot ALCR \cdot P_{atm}}{\Delta P_{test} \cdot V_{sys} \cdot VCF} \right)$
P _{atm} , Atmospheric pressure [psia]	Constant = 13.9 psi (same for ALCR) ←
VCF, Volumetric Concentration Factor [dimensionless]	Constant = 1 (deposition mode)
VCF for backwash units in which filtrate goes to clearwell	N/A - no backwash recovery units
V _{sys} , Total volume of pressurized air in the unit during direct integrity testing and volume per module [gallons and liters]	Constant = 30.11 gallons (113.98 liters = 0.114 m ³) for 3 Toray HFUG-2020AN modules per skid (11.88 gallons/module = 44.97 liters/module)
Q _p , filtrate flow of filter unit	Variable - for LRV _{ambient} calculations
ΔP _{test} , DIT pressure decay rate [psi/min]	Variable - based on the pressure decay rate for most recent direct integrity test
Constants needed if ALCR is calculated using the Hagen-Poiseuille equation for laminar flow (Hagen-Poiseuille, MFGM¹ Eq. C.4)	$ALCR = \frac{527 \cdot \Delta P_{eff} \cdot (175 - 2.71 \cdot T + 0.0137 \cdot T^2)}{TMP \cdot (460 + T)}$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable as Darcy equation is used for ALCR	$\Delta P_{eff} = [(P_{test} - BP)] \cdot \left[\frac{(P_{test} + P_{atm}) + (BP + P_{atm})}{2 \cdot (BP + P_{atm})} \right] \cdot \left[\frac{(BP + P_{atm})}{P_{atm}} \right]$
P _{atm} , Atmospheric pressure [psia]	Constant = 13.9 psi (same for LRV _{ambient}) ←
BP, Backpressure during the DIT [psi]	Constant ³ = 3.65 psi = 101.13 inches of water.
P _{Test} used for ΔP _{eff} equation [psi]	Constant ⁴ = 20 psi
T, Feed water temperature [°F]	Variable - used for ALCR (e.g., 68 °F)
TMP, transmembrane pressure [psi]	Variable - used for ALCR (e.g., 29 psi)
Constants needed if ALCR is calculated using the Darcy equation for turbulent flow (Darcy, MFGM¹ Eq. C.4)	$ALCR = 170 \cdot Y \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(P_{test} - BP) \cdot (P_{test} + P_{atm})}{(460 + T) \cdot TMP}}$
<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable as Hagen-Poiseuille equation is used for ALCR	
Y, Net Expansion Factor [dimensionless] ²	Constant = 0.74

¹ MFGM = [Membrane Filtration Guidance Manual](#) (USEPA, Nov. 2005)

² Crane Co. 1988. *Flow of fluids through valves, fittings, and pipe*. Technical Paper No. 410. Stamford, CT.

³ PLC programming is using 3.65 psi

⁴ PLC programming is using the UCL of 20.566 psi for P_{test} in the ΔP_{eff} equation, which will yield a lower and more conservative ALCR



The Upper Control Limit (UCL) is the maximum pressure decay rate resulting from a pressure decay test that is allowed and that if exceeded, requires that the filter unit be shut down and repaired and/or re-tested. The UCL for Detroit’s two temporary WesTech UF AltaPac membrane filter units containing 3 Toray HFUG-2020AN ultrafiltration modules each was calculated using the following equations published in the [Membrane Filtration Guidance Manual \(USEPA, Nov. 2005\)](#), herein referred to as the “MFGM”.

Module Type	Defect Flow Regime	Model	ALCR Equation	Appendix C Equation
Hollow-fiber ¹	Turbulent ²	Darcy pipe flow	$170 \cdot \gamma \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(P_{max} - BP) \cdot (P_{avg} + P_{min})}{(460 + T) \cdot TMP}}$	C.4
	Laminar	Hagen-Poiseuille ³	$\frac{527 \cdot \Delta P_{sp} \cdot (175 - 2.71 \cdot T + 0.0137 \cdot T^2)}{TMP \cdot (460 + T)}$	C.15
Flat sheet ⁴	Turbulent	Orifice	$170 \cdot \gamma \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(P_{max} - BP) \cdot (P_{avg} + P_{min})}{(460 + T) \cdot TMP}}$	C.9
	Laminar	Hagen-Poiseuille ³	$\frac{527 \cdot \Delta P_{sp} \cdot (175 - 2.71 \cdot T + 0.0137 \cdot T^2)}{TMP \cdot (460 + T)}$	C.15

1 Or hollow-fine-fiber
 2 Typically characteristic of larger diameter fibers and higher differential pressures
 3 The binomial in the Hagen-Poiseuille equation (C.15) approximates the ratio of water viscosity to air viscosity and is valid for temperatures ranging from approximately 52 to 86 °F. Additional details are provided in Appendix C.
 4 Includes spiral-wound and cartridge configurations

The UCL is related to the minimum direct integrity test (DIT) pressure, which typically occurs at the end of the DIT air hold time. In order to achieve a resolution of 3 μm required for pressure-based direct integrity tests, the net pressure applied during the test must be great enough to overcome the capillary forces in a 3 μm hole, thus ensuring that any breach large enough to pass *Cryptosporidium* oocysts would also pass air during the test. A DIT that does not maintain at least this minimum test pressure throughout the duration of the entire air hold time is considered a failed test and may indicate either breaches or broken membrane fibers or a leak in the air hold system and should prompt immediate repair and re-testing. The minimum applied test pressure necessary to achieve the required test resolution of 3 μm was calculated using MFGM Equation 4.1 as follows:

Minimum Required DIT pressure [psi] to meet the required 3 μm resolution requirement

P_{Test} = 18.24 psi is the minimum required DIT test pressure (e.g., minimum DIT ending test pressure) in order to meet the 3 μm test resolution calculated using MFGM equation 4.1 where,

$$P_{Test} = (0.193 \cdot \kappa \cdot \sigma \cdot \cos \theta) + BP_{max}$$

0.193 = constant that includes the defect diameter (i.e., 3 μm resolution requirement) and unit conversion factors

κ = 1, dimensionless pore shape correction factor

σ = 75.6 dyne/cm, surface tension at the air-liquid interface at 0°C

θ = 0 degrees (0 radians), liquid-membrane contact angle

BP_{max} = 3.65 psi (101.13 inch of water), maximum backpressure during the direct integrity test

D_{base} = 0 psi/min, baseline decay through diffusive losses assuming a fully intact membranes (i.e., no broken fibers, or holes in the membranes)

Upper Control Limit (UCL) in psi/minute

UCL = 0.08 psi/min is the maximum allowable pressure decay rate for the direct integrity test as calculated using MFGM equation 4.17 where,

- Q_p = 70 gpm
- P_{atm} = 13.9 psi
- LRC = 4.0 log
- V_{sys} = 30.11 gallons (113.98-L = 0.114 m³)
- VCF = 1

$$UCL = \frac{Q_p \cdot ALCR \cdot P_{atm}}{10^{LRC} \cdot V_{sys} \cdot VCF}$$

ALCR = 23.91 calculated using MFGM equation C.4 for turbulent flow through a breach in hollow fiber membranes where,

- $P_{test} = 18.24$ psi
- $T = 41$ °F
- $TMP = 29.04$ psi
- $BP = 3.65$ psi (BP_{max})
- $P_{atm} = 13.9$ psi
- $(P_{test} - BP) / (P_{test} + P_{atm}) = 0.4303$ (0.483 using P_{test} of 20 psi)
- $Y \approx 0.77$ (0.74 using P_{test} of 20 psi)

$$ALCR_{DP} = 170 \cdot Y \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(P_{test} - BP) \cdot (P_{test} + P_{atm})}{(460 + T) \cdot TMP}}$$

Using a lower net expansion factor yields a lower ALCR and LRV_{DIT} , therefore using $Y = 74$ as in the LRV calculations provided by WesTech is acceptable.

d_{fiber}	0.7 mm	Hollow-fiber lumen diameter
L	95 mm	Depth of membrane into potting material
f	0.027	Friction factor (from iterative method)
Re	20,000	

$K = f \times (L / d_{fiber}) =$	3.66	Note: this value is fixed for all HFS membrane systems
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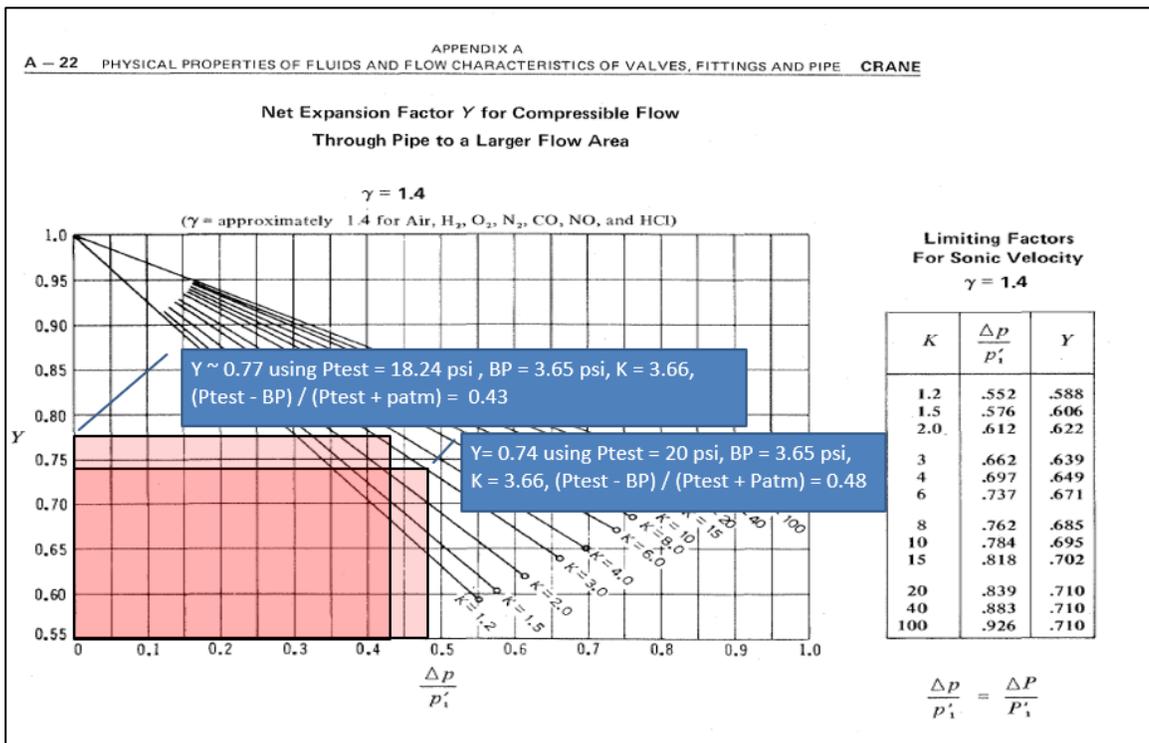
(Equation C.6 EPA Manual)

$$Y \propto \frac{1}{\left(\frac{P_{test} - BP}{P_{test} + P_{atm}} \right)^2}, K$$

(Equation C.5 EPA Manual)

Using the appropriate chart on page A22 or A23 (CRANE - Flow of Fluids) yields a value for Y as shown below:

$Y =$	0.74
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DIT Sensitivity

Sensitivity is defined as the maximum log removal value that can be reliably verified by the direct integrity test (i.e., LRV_{DIT}). The sensitivity of the direct integrity test establishes a maximum log removal credit that a membrane filtration process is eligible to receive if it is less than or equal to that demonstrated during challenge testing (i.e., LRV_{C-Test}). For example, if the challenge test demonstrated a LRV_{C-Test} of 5.5 log, and the direct integrity test is capable of demonstrating an LRV_{DIT} of 4.5 log, the membrane filtration process would be eligible for removal credit up to 4.5 log. The sensitivity is related to the ability of the pressure sensor in terms of accuracy to measure a pressure decay rate. To evaluate the sensitivity of the pressure sensors in use for the DIT measurements, LRV_{DIT} is calculated using the accuracy of the pressure sensor to ensure the DIT is capable of demonstrating the log removal credited (LRC) for the membranes. In this evaluation, two conditions that needed to be met (and were met) as follows:

1. The smallest pressure decay rate measurable by the pressure sensor must be \leq UCL
2. The LRV_{DIT} must be \geq LRC where the LRC is \leq LRV_{C-Test}

$LRC = 4.0\text{-log} (< LRV_{C-Test})$

$LRV_{C-Test} = 5.17 \text{ log (0.048 psi/min QCRV w/pressure decay test (NDPT))}$

$LRV_{DIT} = 4.57\text{-log}$ ($>$ LRC) which is the sensitivity of the DIT using MFGM equation 4.9 where,

$Q_p = 70 \text{ gpm (maximum design feed flow through a filter unit)}$

$ALCR = 23.91 \text{ (calculations shown above)}$

$P_{atm} = 13.9 \text{ psi}$

$V_{sys} = 30.11 \text{ gallons (113.98-L = 0.114 m}^3 \text{)}$

$VCF = 1$

$$LRV_{DIT} = \log \left(\frac{Q_p \cdot ALCR \cdot P_{atm}}{\Delta P_{test} \cdot V_{sys} \cdot VCF} \right)$$

$\Delta P_{test} = 0.021 \text{ psi/min} (< 0.08 \text{ psi/min UCL})$ is the sensitivity of the Wika A-10 transmitter.

Note: 0.05 psi/min is the smallest pressure decay rate measurable by the Wika A-10 pressure transmitter used to measure the pressure decay rate during a direct integrity test, which was determined using the pressure sensor manufacturer’s stated accuracy ($\pm 0.5\%$ of span, BFSL), expressed as a % of span x the maximum span (0 – 50 psi) anticipated measurement range) divided by the DIT duration in minutes. ΔP_{test} must be less than or equal to the UCL. In this case:

$\Delta P_{test} = [(0.5\% \text{ Accuracy}/100\%) \times 50 \text{ psi span}] / 5 \text{ minute DIT duration} = 0.05 \text{ psi/min}$, which is less than the 0.08 psi/min UCL. (0.05 psi/min is 37.5% below the 0.08 psi/min UCL), **yielding an LRV_{DIT} of 4.189-log, which is still greater than the 4.0-log removal credit.**

Appendix C

Membrane Module product Specifications

Table C-1. Membrane Filter Module Specifications

Specification	Value
Membrane Manufacturer	Toray
Membrane Model Number	HFUG-2020AN
Challenge test standard (ANSI/NSF 419-YY, ETV, etc.)	NSF-419-18*, 40 CFR §141.719
Challenge test report date	August 15, 2019
LRV _{C-Test}	5.17-log (approved for 4.0-log = LRC)
OHA-DWS Challenge Study Verification Information	Date Verified = November 12, 2019 LRC = 4.0-log (<i>Giardia/Crypto</i>) Max Flux = 120 GFD @ 20°C Max TMP = 29 psi Minimum DIT Pressure = 17.48 psi
Assumes a 2.98 psi maximum backpressure (BP _{max}) =>	
ANSI/NSF Standard 61 certification (yes/no)	Yes
Membrane type (e.g., hollow fiber, etc.)	Hollow fiber (14,000 fibers per module)
Number of fibers per module	14,000
Fiber inside (lumen) diameter	0.7 mm (1.1 mm outside diameter)
Fiber wall thickness	0.2 mm
Active fiber length (length of fibers not in potting)	71.5 Inches (1,816 mm) (module dimensions: 85 in x 8.5 in dia.)
Potting depth (or defect length)	95 mm potting depth
Membrane classification (e.g., ultra- or micro-filtration)	Ultrafiltration
Nominal membrane pore size (e.g., 0.01 µm, etc.)	150,000 Daltons
Membrane material (e.g., PVDF, polysulfone, etc.)	PVDF
Roughness coefficient	N/A
Feed side membrane filtration area (ft ²)	696 ft ² (64.66 m ²) per module
Filtration Flow Direction (i.e., inside-out or outside-in)	Outside-in
Hydraulic configuration (i.e., deposition or suspension)	Deposition
Submerged or Pressurized	Pressurized

*Testing of the Toray HFUG-2020AN Ultrafiltration (UF) membrane module was conducted in the NSF testing laboratory in 2019 to measure log removals of *Cryptosporidium*, using *Bacillus* endospores as a surrogate. The HFUG-2020AN is certified to NSF/ANSI Standard 61.