

End to End PFAS Treatment

Addressing Contaminants of Emerging Concern in the Water Cycle Chris Scott, Alex Hakes



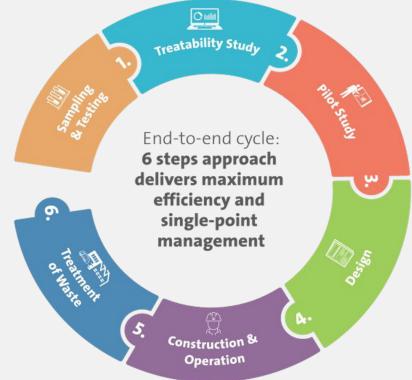
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PFAS adsorption various medias:

- Activated Carbon
- Ion exchange resins

Considerations:

- Types of PFAS long vs short chain, affinity for media
- Activity level empty bed contact time (EBCT) amount of media
- Overall capacity volume treated before media replacement



LEAPfas[™]: proprietary designed vessels achieving Ultra-Low levels of PFAS in effluent on a consistent & reliable basis.





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Our solutions for Membrane filtration

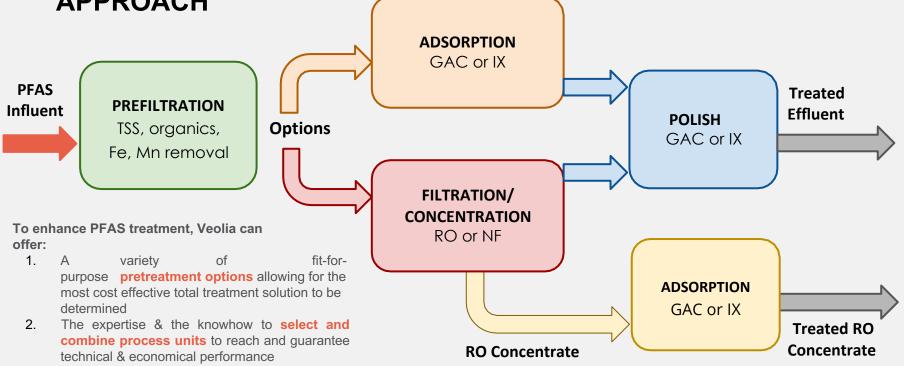
- 1. ZeeWeed UF hollow membrane
- 2. PROFlex NF and RO can be used for industrial, beverage, municipal and reuse applications
- 3. Sirion ®Reverse Osmosis standard product







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Municipal Mobile Bridge to Permanent – Resin

Borough of Bellwawr, NJ

Operational Conditions/Challenges

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- 900 GPM average
- Well water Iron & Manganese removed
- Alkalinity =
- Chloride =
- Sulfate =
- Nitrate <
- Iron
- TSS
- TOC <
- **PFNA** =
- PFOA/PFOS
- 1ppm 2.4 **36 ppt** <10 ppt

131 ppm

28 ppm

24 ppm

0.1 ppm

1.0 ppm as Nitrate NO3

Solution

- Mobile container using Purolite PFA694E PFAS selective lon Exchange media to quickly get the plant back online
- Performance model = 487,000 bed volumes
- Treatment Target <2 ppt or Non detectable
- Lower life cycle costs vs GAC



Water Technologies & Solutions Case Study

Borough of Bellmawr mitigates PFAS ahead of State's mandated schedule

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{SUEZ's}}\xspace$ temporary treatment solution bridges to long-term solution for PFAS removal

Challenge

The Borough of Beilmawr in New Jersey, United States found that they had PFAS contamination in their wells in the low parts per trillion, or PFOS, PFOA, PFNA, among other variants. The source well was immediately closed in the interest of the public's health, safety and welfare. The Borough quickly engaged state and local health and regulatory agencies, holding a public forum to allay any fears from the residents.

Local leaders decided in addition to the long-term solution to meet New Jersey's emerging Maximum Contaminant Levels [MCLs] due in 1-2 years, they would also investigate what could be done right away. As the water authority addressed the long-term treatment plan to remove the PFAS from the source water, they also contacted SUEZ – Water Technologies & Solutions to discuss the interim period. They concluded that a build-out of the permanent installation would take a year or more to implement, so SUEZ presented options for a faster interim implementation.

About the SUEZ Process

SUEZ tested the water, performed mass balance calculations, evaluated the discharge conditions, studied the regulatory framework, measured the economics of alternative approaches, considered local and national "headline" possibilities, and then provided options for the best overall, tailored solution.

When addressing PFAS, SUEZ remains technology agnostic: We select from a range of technologies which may include Ion Exchange, Carbon Adsorption, Reverse Osmosis, pretreatment including Clarification, Ultra-

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Figure 1: SUEZ specialty ion Exchange container used to remove PFAS in the drinking water supply

filtration, or Media Filtration; as well as water conditioning processes, along with Laboratory and on-site Water Analysis, among many other services. In all these decisions SUEZ seeks the Best Available Technology to do the job.

With our deep understanding of the special needs of Municipal, Industrial, Firefighting & other sites; for applications including drinking water, remediation, process treatment, discharge, compliance, solids management, & PFAS destruction; SUEZ delivers the right solution.

As an owner or operator of dozens of municipal and private drinking water systems, municipal drinking and wastewater systems, and solid waste handling/ treatment facilities, SUEZ knows the Municipal challenge from the perspective of the owner / operator -

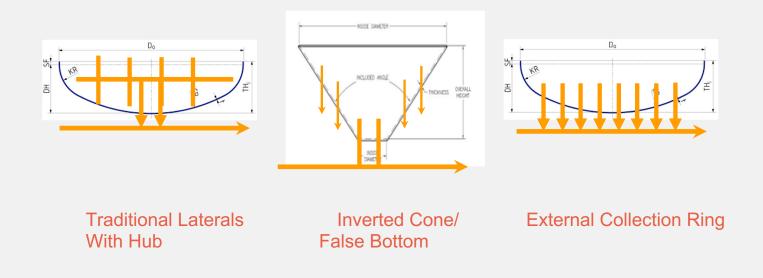
R&D – PFAS membrane testing

Source – well water containing PFAS (no spike) Test – in lab on 2540 spiral elements (2.5-inch dia x 40-inch long) 3 Membrane types – brackish water, low energy and nanofiltration Single element, single pass Composite permeate @ 90% recovery (10x concentration) % Removal PFAS = (1 – (Concentration_{Permeate} ÷ Concentration_{Feed})) * 100%

PFAS membrane performance – well water

			Feed	Permeate				C	Concentrate			% Removal			
PFAS	g/mol	# C's			BW	LE	NF	BW	LE	NF		BW	LE	NF	
PFBA	214	4	7.1		<1.0	<1.0	4.8	80	70	58		100%	100%	32.4%	
PFPeA	264	5	28.3		<1.0	<1.0	4.1	290	250	220		100%	100%	85.5%	
PFHxA	314	6	25.6		<1.0	<1.0	3.4	250	210	190		100%	100%	86.7%	
PFHpA	364	7	13.2		<1.0	<1.0	1.6	140	120	98		100%	100%	87.9%	
PFOA	414	8	18.6		<1.0	<1.0	1.8	160	150	120		100%	100%	90.3%	
PFNA	464	9	9.5		<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	70	65	49		100%	100%	100%	
PFDA	514	10	1.2		<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	7.1	5.3	4.2		100%	100%	100%	
PFUnA	564	11	3.0		<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	16	12	7.9		100%	100%	100%	
PFBS	300	4	3.8		<1.0	<1.0	1.4	38	33	25		100%	100%	62.8%	
PFPeS	350	5	5.2		<1.0	<1.0	1.7	53	49	42		100%	100%	67.0%	
PFHxS	400	6	73.0		<1.0	1.8	13	740	670	530		100%	97.5%	82.2%	
PFHpS	450	7	3.4		<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	29	29	22		100%	100%	100%	
PFOS	500	8	200.0		<1.0	2	13	1300	1200	780		100%	99.0%	93.5%	
6:2 FTSA	428	8	14.0		<1.0	<1.0	1.5	120	100	87		100%	100%	89.3%	
8:2 FTSA	528	10	4.3		<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	21	24	16		100%	100%	100%	
TOTAL			410.1		<1.0	3.8	46.3	3,314.1	2,987.3	2,249.1		100%	99.1%	88.7%	
🔕 values a								Permeate results BDL (below detection)							

Various Underdrain Collection Systems



Operational Challenges

Problems removing "stuck-on residue" on interior surfaces

- Purity targets at "ultrapure" level (ppt, ng/L)...cleanliness not well addressed
- Contaminants stick to surface and re-contaminate water

Challenges to Operational safety

- Confined space entry: maintenance, repair, cleaning, inspection risk/OSHA/recordable
- Removing entire collection manifolds is clumsy, difficult

Operational Pressure Ratings too Low

- Default 100-125 psi often inadequate
- Vulnerability to pressure events
- Loss of operational flexibility civil rework, new pumps, pipes & valves

Underutilized media is costly

- High purity, long lived, single use, specialty now often required
- □ PFAS / Microcontaminant cost of media = 80-90% of total Lifecycle cost
- Maximum media longevity + achieving high purity not addressed with existing designs

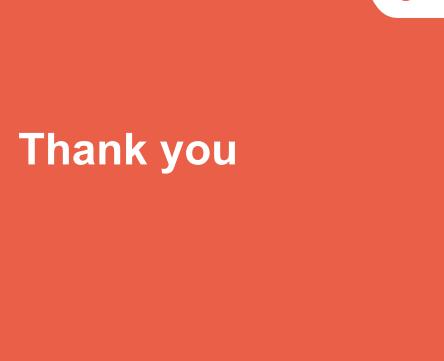
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PFAS contaminants, which have been isolated and removed, can ultimately be handled through disposal at specialized waste management facilities.

These solutions are just beginning to be available at various locations in the U.S., and technology is rapidly







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