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#### **Process Optimization of** Wastewater Treatment Plants

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#### USEPA Energy Management Guidebook

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WERF Research to be Showcased at 2013 WEF Conference in Nashville

energy neutral or even net energy producers. Continue reading at TPOMag.com

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#### **Overview – WERF CHEApet Optimization Challenge**



operations efficiencies and costs by at least 20%:

- 20% less energy
- 20% more resource recovery
- 20% less solids produced

These goals can be achieved at most WWTPs...



Carbon Heat Energy Assessment Plant Evaluation Tool

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### **Benefits of Process Optimization**

- Reduce Operating Costs
- Reduce Environmental Impact
- Improve Water Quality/Performance
- Customer Satisfaction
- Operator Satisfaction

Every worthwhile opportunity comes with risks



### **Risks associated with Process Changes**

- Increased costs
- Permit Violations
- Customer Complaints
- Operator Stress

Our goal is to find the appropriate balance of reward/risk.



# Step 1- Charter the team (Define project goals and responsibilities)

- Financial Objectives (operational, capital, ROI)
- Risk Tolerance
- Risk Mitigation
- Communication Plan



#### Step 2 – Collect Data



#### Power

#### Demand

- Use
- Power Factor
- Submetering

#### Chemicals

- Coagulants
- Polymers (coagulant aid and dewatering)
- Odor Control

#### Process Data

- Influent/Effluent/Process concentrations
- Treatment removal efficiencies
- Sludge yields
- Mass Balances
- Recycle streams



## Step 3 – Develop Models and Key Performance Indicators



- Spreadsheet Tools
- Plant Hydraulics
- Process (Biowin, CHEAPET)

Dewatering Centrifuge Operating Cost Tool							
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### **Process Model Example**



### **Develop Holistic Approach**

Review current operation and maintenance practices NOT JUST " ELECTRICAL"

#### Baseline information on all aspects of the facilities from:

- Process data and permit limits
- Electrical usage and rate structures
- Chemical usage and cost
- Assets
- HVAC systems
- Storage capacities
- Solids handling
- Natural gas or Bio gas usage







### **Step 3 (cont) - Key Performance Indicators**

**KPI Summary Sheet WWTP** 

**Table 1 Basis Line Values WWTP** 

Parameter	Base Line Value	Discription
Flow ML/Year	17468.241	Base Q Annual
Flow ML/Year	8433	Base Q PO4 6 month
cBOD (mg/l)	254.42	Base Line cBOD
TSS (mg/l)	378.76	Base Line TSS
PO4 (mg/l)	7.39	Base Lin
WWTP Power kWh/ML	599.11	Bar
kWh/ kg cBod	1	
kWh/ kg TSS		0 <sup>11</sup>
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kg inickening-Polymer/kg cBOD	1.119923703	Base line kg I-Polymer / kg CBOD KPI
kg Dewatering-Polymer/kg ISS	4.627855047	Base line kg D-Polymer / kg ISS KPI
kg Thickening-Polymer/kg TSS	0.752276959	Base line kg 1-Polymer / kg TSS KPl

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### Step 4 – Indentify Opportunities and Prepare Business Case Evaluations



- Operational change
- Minor Capital Improvement
- Major Capital Improvement

#### Business Case Evaluation

- Capital Costs
- Operational and Maintenance Costs
- Risks
- Non Economic Benefits



### Example WERF Tool to assist in BCE





Evaluates alternatives and associated benefits and costs in planning and early design stages

Evaluates "what-if" scenarios including Sensitivity Analyses

Estimates GHG emissions and carbon foot print evaluation

Facilitates discussions with regulatory agencies and project stake holders

- MS Excel Based Tool with Built-In Worksheets
  - Regional temperature and emission factors
  - Volatile solids reduction model
  - •Parametric costs
  - Process and cost analysis functions
    - Internal combustion engines (ICE)
    - Gas turbines
    - Microturbines
    - Stirling Engines
    - Fuel cells



## Step 5 – Prioritize and Develop Implementation Plan

#### Priorities

- Priority 1 Recommended to achieve majority of energy savings
- Priority 2 Would provide additional energy savings but have a longer pay back period
- Priority 3 Would provide for fine tuning of process and some additional power savings

#### Implementation Plan

- Category I—Immediate
- Category II—Short Term 1-3 years or
- Category III—Long Term 3-5 years



## **Opportunities for Energy Efficiency**

High Energy Using Operations	Energy Savings Measures	High Energy Using Operations	Energy Savings Measures		
Pumping	<ul> <li>Reduce load</li> <li>Manage load</li> <li>Water to wire efficiency</li> <li>Pump selection</li> <li>Automated control</li> </ul>	Lighting	<ul> <li>Motion sensors</li> <li>T5 low and high bay fixtures</li> <li>Pulse start metal halide</li> <li>Indirect fluorescent</li> <li>Comprehensive control for large buildings</li> </ul>		
Aeration	<ul> <li>Fine bubble</li> <li>Improved surface aerators</li> <li>Premium motors</li> <li>High efficiency motor drive</li> <li>Blower Control</li> <li>Automatic DO control</li> </ul>	Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC)	<ul> <li>Water source heat pumps</li> <li>Custom incentives for larger units</li> <li>Low volume fume hoods</li> <li>Occupancy controls</li> <li>Heat pump for generator oil sump</li> </ul>		

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#### **Understand Your Power Bill**

Power Bill Components:

Demand Ratchet Demand Use Power Factor Fuel Time of Use

Meet with your local power provider to understand your rate structure and develop strategies to reduce costs

#### IP&L BILLING INFORMATION (PROVIDED BY IP&L)

MEHC01M RATE DEPARTMENT	MES-DE	MAND HI	S Т О R Y	01/24/2013 10.55.19
ACCOUNT 1540826	ACC-NAME WASTE	WATER SOUTHPORT	AWT	RAY91LJ
SERVICE 275330	RDG-DIST 13 MT	RS 06 RATE H1	STATUS AC	SNOTE
3800 W SOUTHPORT R	RD, INDIANAPOLI	S IN 46217		
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101812 6254	6254A 3080000	98 H1 .017	9450 .0066180	202,202.98
091912 7388	7388A 3438400	97 H1 .017	9450 .0066180	229,985.66
081812 6544	6544A 3427200	97 H1 .017	.0066180	218,999.96
071912 5470	5514T 3147200	98 H1 .017	3810 .0066180	195,929.50
062012 6012	6012A 3673600	99 H1 .017	3810 .0064300	222,941.73
051912 6797	6797A 3371200	100 H1 .019	8380 .0064300	225,607.86 A
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031712 6559	6559A 3382400	91 H1 .019	8380 .0063220	227,100.57
021712 7001	7001A 3337600	92 H1 .017	4590 .0063220	221,169.07
012012 6758	6758A 4065600	95 H1 .017	4590 .0063220	249,223.44
121711 6848	6848A 3472000	94 H1 .017	4590 .0056690	222,295.69
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101811 6000	6000A 2497600	96 H1 .017	3670 .0056690	170,645.59



### **Energy Savings – Operational Changes**



Demand Management – Shed equipment during peak energy use.

Energy Reduction– Monitor DO in aeration basins and maintain at 2 mg/l or less

Time of Use – Consider shifting activities during night shift

Develop benchmarks and closely monitor



### **Energy Savings – Minor Capital Improvements**

- Demand Management Automation routines to shed non vital equipment
- Energy Reduction Automated DO control for aeration basins
- Power Factor Install capacitor banks to increase PF



### **Energy Savings – Major Capital Replacements**



- **Replace Aeration Diffusers**
- Replace Blowers
- Replace Pumps
- Replace Motors
- Install Cogeneration System
- System Wide (real time) Energy Optimization Systems

#### Cogeneration and Fog Project At F. Wayne Hill WRC In Gwinnett County, Ga

CH2M HILL worked in partnership with Gwinnett County DWR on the implementation of a cogeneration and FOG receiving facility at the F. Wayne Hill WRC and assisted in the identification in up to \$8.5 million in funding from grant sources.



#### **Energy Savings - Plant Compressed Air Systems**



#### Baseline

- Compress and dry air used for Pneumatic
   Primary Sludge Pumps and other controls
- Maintenance issues with compressor cooling system
  - Required 500,000 gpd of potable (softened water)
  - New close loop heat exchanger with air cooled or reclaim water
- Recommended Action Plan
  - Re-size new air compressor (25% of original) which allows air cooled unit
  - Savings/Benefits: 50% overall power costs, no softened water required, minimal maintenance
  - Allows resizing and possible elimination of air gap tank and associated pumps



### **Energy Savings (cont)**



System Wide (real time) Energy Optimization Systems

Resulting from groundbreaking advances in combined use of genetic algorithms and artificial neural networks, ENCOMS identifies in realtime the optimal operational control settings that will best meet not only the current demands but also the projected ones along the operating horizon (typically 24 hours) at maximum cost savings, taking account of the electricity rate structure, system operational constraints, and demand projections. The real-time control process operates continually and is updated at periodic intervals by SCADA data and new demand forecasts.



#### Comparison of monthly operating costs

ENCOM: Energy Cost Minimization System

Case Studies - 20% saving



### **Evaluate multiple factors to evaluate projects**

				RANKING and CRITERIA												
Location	Activity	Energy Source	Current Annual Cost	Impacts On Operation	Maturity & Reliability	Cost To Implement	Permitting Challenges	Level Of Complexity	Funding Avail.	Net Energy Production	Criteria Air Pollutants	Co2 Emissions	Safety & Health	Return On Invest.	Minimize Biogas Flaring	Total Score
Omohundro WTP	Project 1	Electrical	\$10,000	1	4	2	5	3	2	2	3	3	4	5	2	36
Omohundro WTP	Project 2	Electrical	\$25,000	5	2	3	3	2	3	2	1	1	2	3	0	27
Omohundro WTP	Project 3	Natural Gas	\$16,000	2	3	5	1	1	4	2	3	0	2	2	3	28
Omohundro WTP	Project 4	Natural Gas	\$65,000	4	4	3	3	3	2	2	5	3	4	2	3	38
KR Harrington WTP	Project 1	Natural Gas	\$30,000	1	4	3	2	3	5	5	2	2	1	3	1	32
KR Harrington WTP	Project 2	Electrical	\$12,000	4	2	1	2	2	5	2	1	4	3	2	2	30
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Biosolids Fac.	Project 1	Electrical	\$32,000	4	4	5	5	3	4	4	4	5	3	3	5	49
Biosolids Fac.	Project 2	Electrical	\$53,000	3	2	4	2	2	1	1	0	3	3 <sup>24_M</sup>	800_PM_01	4	27
Biosolids Fac.	Project 3	Natural Gas	\$5,000	2	3	2	3	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	4	28
Biosolids Fac.	Project 4	Digester Gas	\$0	5	5	4	4	3	5	4	5	5	4	5	5	54
Central WWTP	Project 1	Electrical	\$18,000	4	2	2	3	3	4	2	1	2	1	1	2	27
Central WWTP	Project 2	Electrical	\$24,000	2	4	3	4	5	2	3	2	1	3	4	5	38
Central WWTP	Project 3	Electrical	\$54,000	4	1	2	3	2	3	5	4	4	3	2	3	36
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### **Solids Handling – Operational Changes**

- Dewatering polymer optimization
- Continuously evaluate best deal for disposal
- Process Changes (SRT/Digestion)
- Develop benchmarks and closely monitor



### **Solids Handling – Capital Improvements**



#### Replace Solids Process Technology

- Replace Dewatering Equipment
- WERF LCAMER (Life Cycle Assessment Manager for Energy Recovery) tool

#### LCAMER OUTPUT

	Internal Combustion Engine		Gas Turbine	Micro Turbine	Fuel Cell
	(W/O FOG)	(With FOG)	(With FOG)	(With FOG)	(With FOG)
CAPEX (\$) for Cogen (including replacements)	\$5.54M	\$6.91M	\$6.41M	\$8.85M	\$25.39M
CAPEX (\$) for FOG Receiving Facility	0	\$4.08M	\$4.08M	\$4.08M	\$4.08M
OMEX (\$/yr) for Biogas System & Natural Gas	\$562K	\$762K	\$536K	\$572K	\$1.32M
OMEX (\$/yr) for FOG Receiving Facility	6 0	\$145K	\$145K	\$145K	\$145K
Revenue (\$/yr) from Electricty Savings <sup>(1)</sup>	\$870K	\$1.17M	\$723K	\$766K	\$1.23M
Revenue (\$/yr) from FOG Receipts	0	\$850K	\$850K	\$850K	\$850K
Payback Period (years)	18	9.9	11.8	14.4	47.9
(1) - Estimated @ \$0.	07/KWh				_Metro_PM_01



### **Chemical Savings - Operational**

- Develop benchmarks and closely monitor
- Frequent calibration checks
- Tune Control Loops



### **Chemical Savings - Capital**

- New Disinfection System (i.e UV, onsite hypo generation)
- Improved Chemical Mixing (i.e water champs or statiflo)
- Chemical Feed Modifications
- New Odor Control (ie. Biofilters)

Plant Flow Rate (MGD)	Daily Hypochlorite Usage (gallons)	Daily Bisulfite Usage (gallons)	Hypoch Cost Pe	lorite r Dav	Bisulfite Cost Per Dav		Seasonal Chemical Costs	UV Power Requirement (kW)	UV	Cost Per Dav	UV Lamp Replacement	Sei	asonal UV Costs	Savi	Annual ings w/ UV
60	1785	231	\$	1,153	\$ 296	\$	333,737	138.4	\$	199.30	\$ 130,000	\$	175,838	\$	157,899
70	2083	269	\$	1,345	\$ 347	\$	389,360	161.5	\$	232.51	\$ 130,000	\$	183,478	\$	205,882
80	2380	307	\$	1,538	\$ 397	\$	444,983	184.5	\$	265.73	\$ 130,000	\$	191,117	\$	253,865
90	2678	346	\$	1,730	\$ 447	\$	500,605	207.6	\$	298.94	\$ 130,000	\$	198,757	\$	301,848
100	2975	384	\$	1,922	\$ 496	\$	556,228	230.7	\$	332.16	\$ 130,000	\$	206,397	\$	349,831
110	3273	423	\$	2,114	\$ 546	\$	611,851	253.7	\$	365.38	\$ 130,000	\$	214,036	\$	397,815
120	3570	461	\$	2,306	\$ 596	\$	667,474	276.8	\$	398.59	\$ 130,000	\$	221,676	\$	445,798
130	3868	499	\$	2,499	\$ 645	\$	723,097	299.9	\$	431.81	\$ 130,000	\$	229,316	\$	493,781
140	4165	538	\$	2,691	\$ 695	\$	778,719	322.9	\$	465.02	\$ 130,000	\$	236,956	\$	541,764
150	4463	576	\$	2,883	\$ 745	\$	834,342	346.0	\$	498.24	\$ 130,000	\$	244,595	\$	589,747
	Assumptions														
	Cost per kW Ho	our (average o	xost)					\$ 0.06							
	Cost per Gallon	Hypo (histori	cal)					\$ 0.65							
	Cost per Gallon	Bisulfite (esti	imated)					\$ 1.29							
	Annual Disinfec	tion Season (	days)					230							
	Bisulfite dose p	er 1 mg/ICIR	lesidual					1.46							
	Max UV Lamp Replacment Cost (estimated from T		om Trojan (	uote	)	\$ 130,000									
	UV Power consumption kW/MGD treated				\$ 2.31										
	Hypochlorite fee	ed rate, mg/l (	historical)					4.5							

### **Process Changes**



#### **Consider Holistic Effects of Any Process Changes**

Variables:

- Units in service
- Processes In Service
- MCRT/SRT
- •Solids Processing Objectives



## Example

NSU - Configuration	Available	Current	Alt. No. 4
Aeration Basins	2.0	2.0	1.0
Aerobic Digesters	4	4	4

NSU - Process	Current	Alt. No. 4	Range	Typical
Cake Solids, % -	15.5	15.9	15-23	18
Polymer Use, lbs/ton -	20.0	20.0	8-20	10
Run Time, hrs/d -	8.0	8.0		

NSU - Performance	Actual	Current	Alt. No. 4	Range	Typical
SRT, days	=	26.0	9.8	10-30	15
HDT wo/RAS, hrs.	=	43.9	18.9	8-36	12
Clarifier Slds Loading, Lbs/D/SF	=	15.3	19.7	5-24	12
Belt Press Hydraulic Loading, gpd/U	=	98848	112892	57k-115K	
Belt Press Solids Loading, lbs/d/U	=	7672	9483	4.8k-9.6k	
Solids Produced lbs/da	y 3222.0	3260.7	4702.1		
Solids Produced cy/day	= 12.6	12.8	17.9		

NSU - Costs	_	Actual
CHEMICALS	\$	15,431
CONTRACT HAULING COSTS	\$	161,280
ELECTRICITY	\$	401,047
Total	\$	577,758

Alt. No. 4	Savings
\$ 22,009	\$ (6,578)
\$ 228,750	\$ (67,470)
\$ 323,261	\$ 77,786
\$ 574,020	\$ 3,738



#### **Evaluate Best Case and Worst Case Scenarios**



#### **Current Strategy**

- One Large Oxidation Ditch
- Three Aerobic Digesters

#### **Alternative No. 3**

- One Small Oxidation Ditch
- Two Aerobic Digesters

		No. 3							
	Cur	rent	Best Case	Savings					
CHEMICALS	\$	9,843	\$ 7,209	\$    2,635					
CONTRACT HAULING COSTS	\$	103,893	\$ 101,740	\$ 2,153					
ELECTRICITY	\$	207,815	\$ 125,924	\$ 81,891					
	Total \$	321,551	\$ 234,873	\$ 86,679					

	Current	Worst Case	Savings
CHEMICALS	\$ 9,843	\$ 9,536	\$ 308
CONTRACT HAULING COSTS	\$ 103,893	\$ 121,128	\$(17 <i>,</i> 235)
ELECTRICITY	\$ 207,815	\$ 127,437	\$ 80,378
	<b>Total</b> \$ 321,551	\$ 258,101	\$ 63,450



### **Consider Holistic Operational Affects**

- Based on analysis Alternative No. 4 shows the lowest overall operating cost. However, the analysis shows that using only one small oxidation ditch will not provide the horse-power requirements to meet oxygen demands. Therefore this alternative is not viable.
- Alternative No. 3 is the lowest cost viable option and meets all design criteria.
- Increased process control and monitoring will be critical to success (higher frequency of testing, added testing locations, effective wasting program).
- Monitoring of all cost related factors such as quantities, dosages, and unit cost of chemicals and biosolids disposal.
- A control procedure for operating with only two aerobic digesters must be develop and staff trained on how it should be implemented.
- Due to increase sludge production the belt press will have to be operated daily for 8 hours.



### **WERF CHEApet Tool basics**



Provides mass, energy and thermal balances as well as carbon footprint (GHG emissions)

Tool Platform - Static whole wastewater & STP plant simulator

Tool Delivery - Online (internet) tool hosted by WERF

MS Excel<sup>™</sup> Based

# It will be available to WERF subscribers

 You can download your inputs and outputs but not the tool

Home   Overview   CHEApet   Tutorials   Documentation								
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versio	n 2	BC	В	Advanced	1	Open	Clone	Reset
asdfase	lfsdf	BC	В	Advanced	1	Open	Clone	Reset
versio	n 2	BC	В	Advanced	1	Open	Clone	Reset
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### **WERF CHEApet - Unit Processes**

#### **Biological Treatment Options**

8 Processes with either MBR or Secondary Clarifier

- Nitrification
- MLE
- 4 Stage Bardenpho
- Anaerobic- Aerobic (A/O)
- Anoxic-Anaerobic-Aerobic (A2/O)
- University Cape Town (UCT)
- 5 Stage Bardenpho
- Johannesburg

- Carbon Footprint/Greenhouse Gas Options
  - Local Government Operations Protocol (LGOP)
  - Australian Approach
  - "Informal" Approach



#### **CHEApet Facility Data Input**



### Summary

- Utilize WERF and network with other utilities to identify opportunities to optimize your plants
- Work with power company to understand your bill and idenitify ways to reduce costs
- When making changes, evaluate risks and look for unintended consequences
- Work with chemical suppliers to find more cost effective ways to solve the problem
- Develop benchmarks and monitor process data
- Develop Business Case Evaluation Process to prioritize capital projects based on payback and noneconomic benefits
- Many financing options available but understand benefits and risks





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