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## Design Seminar

- Review of Design Fundamentals
- System schematic
- General Project Guidelines
> Explanation of flow path
> Explanation of "Q-Mean"
> Sample profile
> Summary of fundamentals


## Design Seminar

- Sample Problem
> Plan and Profile Design
> Design Software
> Station Calculations
- Standard Details
- Factory Collection Stations
- Questions and Answers


## Schematic of Typical Vacuum System



## General Guidelines for Vacuum System Design

## Determine the geographical limits of the senvice area

- The vacuum system is a mechanical system
- Component sizing based on total system flow
> This is a most critical step in the analysis


## Analyze topography of site to select ideal site for central vacuum station

- Locate point that utilizes as much natural ground slope as possible
- Start with the lowest elevation in the complex
- Optimum point is the lowest point nearest the geographical center of the site
- Reviewavailable property
(other municipal works or public properties)
> Use lowest centrally located property as guide Review final sewage outfall
> Minimize forcemain length if possible


## Route sewer lines along public right-of-way

- Take advantage of as much natural ground slope as possible
- Analyze approximate lift for each fiow path
> Compare ground elevation difference between the end of line and the vacuum station *Note the highest elevation this flow path must ascend


## Route sewer lines along public

 right-of-way- Using 13 Ft. as maximum static loss, the following are approximate grade elevation differences for various pipe sizes using normal lifts:
$4^{3 \prime}=15 \mathrm{Ft}$. (Based on 1.0' Lifts)
$6^{\prime \prime}=17 \mathrm{Ft}$. (Based on $1.5^{\prime}$ Lifts)
$8^{\prime \prime}=19$ Ft. (Based on 1.5' Lifts)

Additional grade elevation differences can be overcome using slightly deeper trenches and/or lower lift heights.

## Determine input flow for each vacuum main or branch

- Account for the total number of:
- Homes
> Schools
> Apartments
> Commercial Businesses
> Etc.
See Chapter 2 of 2005 Design Manual for recommended flows
- Place interface valve pits at property corners
- Indicate gravity connections to various lots
- To minimize gravity sewer depth
- Use two (2) homes per valve pit as a general guideline and a maximum of four (4) homes per valve pit
- Place single, dual or other buffer tanks at appropriate high flow locations
> Addlitional buffer tank limitations in Chapter 6 of 2005 Design Manual
- Analyze each vacuum line for future growth potential
> Add this flow to existing flow
If Ideally, total peak fiow for each main line entering the vacuum station should be as close to equal as possible


## Determine peak design flow to

 vacuum collection station and calculate major station components- Use criteria found in Chapters 2 and 3 of 2005 Design Manual


## After final line routing and vacuum station site selection, line routing should be field surveyed for exact length and ground contours

- Prepare plan and profile sheets on a split or combined plan
> Profile page using aerial photography or other techniques to locate homes, streets, right-of-ways, existing utilities, etc.
> A scale of $1^{\prime \prime}=50^{\prime}$ horizontal and $1^{\prime \prime}=5^{\prime}$ vertical is typical
- Select the vacuum collection tank connection point as main line station 0+00
> Continue outward toward main line extremities
- Where branch lines connect to main lines or each other, their connection point becomes $0+00$ for that line
- Preferred direction of profile design in in the flow direction
> It is recommended that profile design start at the end of each main line
- Starting elevation should include
> Frost cover (as dictated by local conditions)
> Plus the diameter of a 3" cross-over
> Plus the invert to invert dimension of a 3" cross-over to mainline wye fitting as shown on Figure F4-8 (normally 1'-0" minimum).


## - Lifts are placed as required

To minimize trench depth
To ascend uphill grades

- Generally speaking if ground is flat, a 1.0 foot lift at $500^{\prime}$ centers or a 1.5 foot lift at 750' centers will result in an elevation equal to elevation at starting point ( $500 \mathrm{Ft} . \times 0.2 \%=1.0$ Ft. or $750 \mathrm{Ft} . \times 0.2 \%=1.5 \mathrm{Ft}$.)
- All lifts will result in a designed vacuum loss equal to the lift height minus the pipe diameter
> The sum of all vacuum losses from the end of a 'flow path" to the vacuum collection station should not exceed 13.0 Ft. without consulting AIRVAC


## - Vacuum process begins at the vacuum valve

 and collection sump assembly- When the volume of sewage in sump reaches approximately 10 gallons
- The AIRVAC valve opens
- Differential pressure between the vacuum sewer and the atmosphere forces the 10 gallons of sewage into the vacuum main
- While accelerating, sewage is rapidly transformed into foam
- Soon occupies only part of the sewer pipe cross section;
- momentum transfer from air to water takes place largely through the action of shear stresses
- The magnitude of the propulsive forces start to decline noticeably when the AIRVAC valve closes
- It remains important as the admitted air continues to expand
- Eventually friction and gravity bring the sewage to rest below several lifts


## As the process continues

- Liquid will be transported downstream by in-rushing air
- Sewage admitted to a sewer through an AIRVAC valve initially moves in two directions.
- 80\% flows toward the collection station
- $20 \%$ flows in the opposite direction
- When the backsurge slows, flow moves toward the collection station (schematics follow)
- Sewage scouring velocities of 15 to 18 feet per second are attained using the standard airlliquid ratio


## Interface Valve in Standlby Position



## Interface Valve in Open Position



## Vacuum Line Thrust




## Example of Aow Path

## Explanation of Q (MEAN)

To determine the friction loss for this section of vacuum main:
Determine the value of $Q$ (Mean):
This is the sum of all homes along this section $\times 0.64 \mathrm{gpm}$
Plus the Total flow from all previous sections. 2
Using friction loss tables, find head loss per hundred feet
Multiply by the length of pipe in this section (hundreds)


## Vacuum Main Profile Design Example



## Summary of Vacuum Piping Design Fundamentals

- SLOPES
> Use natural ground slope if greater than 0.2\%
> Use 0.2\% slope for flat terrain
> Use saw tooth profile for uphill transport
> Use 0.2\% slope at 50' minimum prior to first lift in any series


## Summary of Vacuum Piping Design

## Fundamentals

## - FALL BYMNEEN LIFIS

> Use larger of two values
> $0.2 \% \times$ Length
> 0.20 Ft. fall for 3" senvice laterals if lifts are closer than 100 Ft. apart
> 0.25 Ft. minimum fall for $A L L$ vacuum mains and branches 4" and larger if lifts are closer than 125 Ft. apart

## Summary of Vacuum Piping Design

## Fundamentals

- IFIS
> Use 1'-0" for 3"' or 4" pipe
> Use 1'-6" for 6" or larger pipe
> Static loss $=$ Lift height - Pipe diameter
> Maximum vacuum loss due to lifts from any AIRVAC valve to the collection station $=(13$ Ft. Static Loss + 5 Ft. Friction Loss)
> Maximum series of lifts $=5$ at 20 Ft. centers
> First lift on a branch minimum 20 Ft. from connection to main


## Summary of Vacuum Piping Design

## Fundamentals

- CONNECIIONS
> Use wye connectors for all branch and lateral connectors
- Wye may be vertical or at $45^{\circ}$ angle
* Use long sweep $90^{\circ}$ ell for $3^{\prime \prime}$ senvice connectors ONLY
> Use $45^{\circ}$ ells for $4^{\prime \prime}$ and larger connectors and any directional change
> Recommended minimum Invert to Invert elevation difference for connections:

| $4 \times 3=.73 \mathrm{Ft}$. | $6 \times 3=.80 \mathrm{Ft}$. | $8 \times 3=.99 \mathrm{Ft}$. | $10 \times 3=1.08 \mathrm{Ft}$. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4 \times 4=.71 \mathrm{Ft}$. | $6 \times 4=.78 \mathrm{Ft}$. | $8 \times 4=1.05 \mathrm{Ft}$. | $10 \times 4=1.18 \mathrm{Ft}$. |

## Summary of Vacuum Piping Design

 Fundamentals- RLOWLIMTS
> Maximum Friction Loss not to exceed 5 feet
3" $=4$ homes or equivalent
$4^{\prime \prime}=38$ GPM
$6^{\prime \prime}=106$ GPM
$8^{\prime \prime}=210$ GPM
$10^{\prime \prime}=375$ GPM


## Summary of Vacuum Piping Design

 Fundamentals- MAXIMUMLNELENGTHS
$3^{3 \prime}=300 \mathrm{Ft}$.
$4^{\prime \prime}=2,000$ Ft.
6" \& Larger determined by static limits or friction


## Minimum Slopes



## 50’@0.2\% Rule

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\begin{aligned}
\text { ELEV }= & \text { NUMBER LIFTS X LIFT HT } \\
& -(\text { NUMBER LIFTS }-1)(\text { FALL } \\
& \text { BETWEEN LIFTS) }
\end{aligned}
$$

FLOW


## Slope to Tolerance

SAMPLE PROFILE SHOWING TOLERANCE FRON PLANNED ELEVATION @ 0.05 FT PER 100 FT


## Static Loss Diagram





## Branch

## Connections




FIGURE 3-2 VALVE PIT PRIOR TO HOME CONNNECTION

## Gravity

Connections


## 3" Service Line Lifts



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VERTICAL
LIFT


SEE installatiln drawings


## Design Example

- Consider vacuum sewer layout
- Locations of collection station, sewers and ARVAC valves selected in accordance with requirements of AIRVAC 2005 Design Manual
- Locate sewers to
- Minimize lift
- Minimize length
- Equalize flows on each sewer (where possible)
> Locate AIRVAC valves to serve two or more homes per valve
- See Chapter 5


## Design Example

- Assumptions
- Each AIRVAC valve to serve two (2) homes
> Peak flow per home . 64 GPM or 1.28 GPM/ AIRVAC valve installation
- To efficiently serve the areas in the design example layout
> Three (3) main sewers required
> Each main connected directly to vacuum tank at collection station
> Sewers are not joined together into bus main outside the station


## Design Example

- Division valves located to isolate areas of sewer network for troubleshooting purposes
- Profiles prepared for Main \#2
> Profiles for Branches, Main \#1 and Main \#3 would be similar


## Design Example

- Location of AIRVAC valves and branch sewer connection points follow principles in Chapters 4 and 5
- Buffer tank valve installation on Branch C
- Represents high flow user (ex: laundromat or school)
> Ten (10) GPM used as inflow rate for this location
- Main \#3 represents sewer main laid in alley way
> Allows up to four (4) homes to be connected to each AIRVAC valve installation


## Design Example

## Layout



## Figure F4-17 - Piping Calculation Sheet

| PROJECT: Design Example <br> DATE: $6 / 25 / 03$ | 4" PIPE | 6" PIPE | 8" PIPE | 10" PIPE | PEAK | \# SVCE <br> SATERALS | \#AIRVAC <br> VALVES | HOMES <br> (or EDUS) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LINE |  |  |  | 79.4 | 62 | 62 | 124 |  |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 2400 | 1400 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{2}$ |  |  |  |  | 49.9 | 10 | 32 | 78 |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | 3700 | 2200 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTALS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

VOLUME OF PIPEWORK (BASED ON SDR-21 PVC PIPE)
Vp $=\left(.0547 \times\right.$ Length $\left.3^{\prime \prime}\right)+\left(.0904 \times\right.$ Length $\left.4^{\prime \prime}\right)+\left(.1959 \times\right.$ Length $\left.6^{\prime \prime}\right)+\left(.3321 \times\right.$ Length $\left.8^{\prime \prime}\right)=(.5095 \times$ QTY 10') $\mathrm{FT}^{3}$
$\mathrm{Vp}=($ $\qquad$ $+$ $\qquad$ $+$ $\qquad$ $+$ $\qquad$ ) $F^{3}$
$\mathrm{Vp}=7.5($ $\qquad$ ) GA■ONS
Vp = $\qquad$ GALONS
$2 / 3 \mathrm{Vp}=$ $\qquad$ GALIONS

## Figure F4-17 - Piping Calculation Sheet

| PROJECT: Design Example <br> DATE: 6/25/03 |  |  |  | STATION NUMBER: 1 <br> Peak How Rate per Home $=.64$ gpm |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LINE | 4"PIPE | 6"PIPE | 8' PIPE | 10" PIPE | PEAK | \# SVCE <br> LATERALS | \#AIRVAC VALVES | HOMES (or EDUS) |
| 1 | 2400 | 1400 |  |  | 79.4 | 62 | 62 | 124 |
| 2 | 3430 | 3410 | 3015 |  | 145.9 | 114 | 114 | 228 |
| 3 | 3700 | 2200 |  |  | 49.9 | 10 | 32 | 78 |
| totals | 9530 | 7010 | 3015 |  | 275.2 | 186 | 208 | 430 |
|  |  |  |  | Average Service <br> Lateral Length |  | $20^{\circ}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Total 3" Pipe |  | 3720 |  |  |

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Vp $=\left(.0547 \times\right.$ Length $\left.3^{\prime \prime}\right)+\left(.0904 \times\right.$ Length 4") $+\left(.1959 \times\right.$ Length $\left.6^{\prime \prime}\right)+\left(.3321 \times\right.$ Length $\left.8^{\prime \prime}\right)=(.5095 \times$ QTY 10') $F^{3}$
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## Figure F4-17 - Piping Calculation Sheet

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| TOTALS | 9530 | 7010 | 3015 |  | 20 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

VOLUME OF PIPEWORK (BASED ON SDR-21 PVC PIPE)

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Vp = (.0547 x Length 3') + (.0904 x Length 4") + (.1959 x Length 6') + (.3321 x Length 8') = (.5095 x QTY
        10") FT }\mp@subsup{}{}{3
Vp = (203 + 861 + 1373 + 1001 + _-_ ) FT' = 3438 FT3
Vp = 7.5(3438) GA\amalgONS (7.5 gal/FT3)
Vp = 25,785 GALONS TOTAL PIPE VOLUME (Sewage & Vacuum)
2/3 Vp = 17,018 GA\PerpONS VACUUMONLY
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PROJECT: $\qquad$ Project No.: $\qquad$ 951075

Station Number: $\qquad$ Date: 6/25/03

## Peak Flow (Qmax)

Average Flow (Qa)
Minimum Flow (Qmin)
Vacuum Pump Capacity Required (Qvp)


Discharge Pump Capacity (Qdp)
Collection Tank Operating Volume (Vo) (for 15 min . cycle at Qmin)

Vo $\quad=1.84$ Qmax for 3.5 Peak Factor
=1.64 Qmax for 4.0 Peak Factor
Total Volume Collection Tank (Vct)
*INCLUDE 400 Gallons for Reserve Tank*
Vacuum Reservoir/Moisture Removal Tank
(Vrt) (If separate vessel is desired)
(Recommended Volume Vrt-= 400 gal )

System Pump Down Time for Operating Range

$$
=\frac{(0.045 \mathrm{cfm} \mathrm{~min})}{\mathrm{gal}} \frac{(2 / 3 \mathrm{Vp}+(\mathrm{Vct-Vo})+\mathrm{Vrt}) \mathrm{gal}}{\mathrm{Qvp} \mathrm{cfm}}
$$

if over 3, increase Qvp / if under 1, increase Vrt

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\text { Qmax }=g p m
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\mathrm{Qa}=\mathrm{gpm}
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\text { Qmin }=\mathrm{gpm}
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\text { Qvp }=\begin{aligned}
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& \text { (use } 300 \text { c.f.m.) }
\end{aligned}
$$

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$$
=\quad \text { Qdp }
$$

$=$

$$
=
$$

$\qquad$ Vo
$=$
3 Vo
Vct $=$ gal

Vrt $=$ gal
Vrt $=$ (include in Vct) -

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{\text { Qmax }}{\text { Peak Factor }} \quad=\quad \frac{}{3.5} \\
& =\frac{\mathrm{Qa}}{2} \quad=\quad \frac{}{2} \\
& =\frac{\mathrm{A}^{*} \times \text { Qmax c.f.m. }}{7.5 \mathrm{gal} / \mathrm{ft}^{3}}=\frac{\times \text { c.f.m. }}{7.5 \mathrm{gal} / \mathrm{ft}^{3}}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
=\frac{(0.045(\quad)+(-)+(\quad)}{\mathrm{cfm}} \quad \mathrm{t}=\mathrm{mins}
$$



PROJECT: Example Problem
PROJECT \#: 951075
STATION \#: 1 DATE: 6/25/03

| Discharge Pump <br> Capacity (Qdp) | $=$ Qmax | Qmax | $=275.2$ gpm |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Collection Tank <br> Operating Volume <br> (Vo*) <br> (for 15 min. cycle at Qmin) | $=\frac{15 \text { Qmin (Qdp-Qmin) }}{\text { Qdp }}$ |  |  |

[^0]STATION\#: 1 DATE: 6/25/03

System Pump Down Time for Operating
Range
of $16^{\prime \prime}$ to $20^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{Hg}$ Vacuum
(t)
-(t) should be 1 to 3 mins

- if over 3, increase Qvp
-If under 1, increase Vrt

PROJECT: $\qquad$ Project No.: $\qquad$ 951075

Station Number: $\qquad$ Date: 6/25/03

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=1.64 Qmax for 4.0 Peak Factor
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=\frac{(0.045 \mathrm{cfm} \mathrm{~min})}{\mathrm{gal}} \frac{(2 / 3 \mathrm{Vp}+(\mathrm{Vct-Vo})+\mathrm{Vrt}) \mathrm{gal}}{\mathrm{Qvp} \mathrm{cfm}}
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& \text { (use } 300 \text { c.f.m.) }
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3 Vo
Vct $=$ gal

Vrt $=$ gal
Vrt $=$ (include in Vct) -

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& =\frac{\mathrm{Qa}}{2} \quad=\quad \frac{}{2} \\
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PROJECT: $\qquad$ Example Problem

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\end{aligned}
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Total Volume Collection Tank (Vct)
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## Vacuum Reservoir/Moisture Removal Tank

(Vrt) (If separate vessel is desired)
(Recommended Volume Vrt-= 400 gal )

System Pump Down Time for Operating Range of 16 " to 20 " Hg Vacuum (t)
"t" should be 1 to 3 mins.
if over 3, increase Qvp / if under 1, increase Vrt

$$
\begin{array}{llll}
= & \frac{\mathrm{Qmax}}{\text { Peak Factor }} & =\frac{\mathrm{Qmax}}{3.5} & \mathrm{Qa}=78.6 \mathrm{gpm} \\
= & \frac{\mathrm{Qa}}{2} & \frac{78.6}{2} \\
= & \frac{\mathrm{A}^{*} \times \text { Qmax c.f.m. }}{7.5 \mathrm{gal} / \mathrm{ft}^{3}} & =\frac{7 \times 275.2 \mathrm{c.f.m}}{7.5 \mathrm{gal} / \mathrm{ft}^{3}} \quad \mathrm{Qmin} & =39.3 \mathrm{gpm} \\
& =256.8 \text { a.c.f.m }
\end{array}
$$

$=\quad$ Qmax
$=\frac{15 \mathrm{Qmin}}{\mathrm{Qdp}}(\mathrm{Qdp}-\mathrm{Qmin})$
$=$ $\qquad$ Vo

Qmax $=275.2$ gpm
Vo $=506.3$ gal

Vct $=1519$ gal

Vrt $=0 \mathrm{gal}$
$=$ (include in Vct)
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Peak Factor |  |  |  |  |  |
| $=$ | Qa | $=$ | 78.6 | Qmin | $=$ | 39.3 gpm |
| - | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| $=$ | $\frac{A^{*} \times \text { Qmax c.f.m. }}{7.5{\mathrm{gal} / \mathrm{ft}^{3}}^{3}}$ | $=$ | $\frac{7 \times 275.2 \text { c.f.m. }}{7.5 \mathrm{gal} / \mathrm{ft}^{3}}$ | Qvp | $=$ | 256.8 a.c.f.m (use 300 c.f.m.) |

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$=\frac{15 \mathrm{Qmin}}{\mathrm{Qdp}}(\mathrm{Qdp}-\mathrm{Qmin})$
$=$ $\qquad$ Vo
if over 3, increase Qvp / if under 1, increase Vrt

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 1519+400=1919-\quad \text { use } 2000 \mathrm{gal} . \\
&= \frac{(0.045 \mathrm{cfm} \mathrm{~min})}{\mathrm{gal}} \frac{(2 / 3 \mathrm{Vp}+(\mathrm{Vct-Vo})+\mathrm{Vrt}) \mathrm{gal}}{\mathrm{Qvp} \mathrm{cfm}} \\
&= \frac{(0.045(17,018)+(2000-506)+(0)}{455 \mathrm{cfm}} \quad \mathrm{t}=1.83 \text { mins. }
\end{aligned}
$$

Qmax $=275.2$ gpm

Vo $=506.3$ gal

Vct $=1519$ gal

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256.8 \text { a.c.f.m } \\
\text { (use } 300 \mathrm{c} . \mathrm{f} . \mathrm{m} \text {.) }
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
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= & \frac{(0.045 \mathrm{cfm} \mathrm{~min})}{\mathrm{gal}} \frac{(2 / 3 \mathrm{Vp}+(\mathrm{Vct-Vo})+\mathrm{Vrt}) \mathrm{gal}}{\text { Qvp cfm }} \\
= & \frac{(0.045(17,018)+(2000-506)+(0)}{455 \mathrm{cfm}} \quad \mathrm{t}=1.83 \text { mins. }
\end{aligned}
$$

Qmax $=275.2$ gpm

Vo $=506.3$ gal

Vct $=1519 \mathrm{gal}$

Vrt $=0 \mathrm{gal}$
$=$ (include in Vct)

## Design Example: Hydloss Spreadsheet



The AIRVAC Hydloss spreadsheet shown is one example of a hydraulic analysis of Main \#2 in the Design Seminar Example.

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Microsoft Excel
Worksheet

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## Figure F6-3 Sample Profile



## Figure F6-4 Sample Profile



## Figure F6-5 Sample Profile



## Design Example Procedure

- To provide adequate space for liquid level controls within the collection tank
- Estimate minimum 5.5 ft elevation between incoming vacuum sewers and building floor
. This places building floor at elevation 496.50 for this example
> See pages Chapter 4 of 2005 Design Manual for calculation of line losses in main \#2
- Friction losses for slopes greater than 0.2\% are ignored
- Calculated static losses due to profile change equal lift height minus the pipe I.D.


## Design Example Procedure

- Select suitable standard size pumps and tanks
- Consult manufacturers literature
- Recalculate vacuum stations calculations using selected equipment sizes
- Size vacuum and sewage pumps
- Allow for additional house connections without overloading
- For large vacuum stations three (3) vacuum pumps may be used to prevent use of extremely large pumps
- Typically 25hp sliding vane pumps are largest model used by AIRVAC - standard models are:
- 170 CFM@10HP
- 305CFM@15HP
- 455 CFM @ 25 HP



## Nomenclature

NPSHA = Net positive suction head available (feet of water)
NPSHA = havt + hs - hf - hvpa
$\mathrm{Ha} \quad=$ Head available due to atmospheric pressure (see below)

| Height above sea level | ha |
| :---: | :---: |
| 0 ft | 33.9 ft |
| 500 ft | 33.3 ft |
| 1000 ft | 327 ft |
| 1500 ft | 321 ft |

Havt = Head available due to atmospheric pressure at liquid level less vacuum in collection tank (feet of water)

## Nomenclature

Havt = ha - Vmax (for maximum collection tank vacuum of 20" $\mathbf{~ H g}$ at sea level havt $=33.9 \mathrm{ft}-22.6 \mathrm{ft}=11.3 \mathrm{ft}$
Vmax = Maximum collection tank vacuum in feet of head
$20^{\prime \prime}$ mercury $=226 \mathrm{ft}$
$16^{\prime \prime}$ mercury $=18.1 \mathrm{ft}$
Hs = Depth of sewage above pump centerline - typically 1’ minimum
Hypa = Absolute vapor pressure of sewage at its pumping temperature (@68 degrees, hypa = 0.78')
Hf = Friction loss in suction pipes (approximately 2 feet for vertical pumps, 1 foot for horizontal pumps)
NPSHR = NPSH required by pump selected NPSHA must be greater than NPSHR

## TDH Diagram

Total Dynamic Head on Discharge Pump (TDH)

$$
\begin{array}{rlr}
= & \text { Head Due to Vacuum + Static Head + Friction Loss } & \\
& \left(\text { at } 16^{\prime \prime}\right. \text { Hg vacuum head due to vacuum = 18.1') } & \\
= & 18.1^{\prime}+12^{\prime}+14.75^{\prime} & T D H=44.85^{\prime} \\
& \left(2 t 20^{\prime \prime} \text { Hg vacuum head due to vacuum }=22.6^{\prime}\right) & \\
= & 22.6^{\prime}+12^{\prime}+14.75^{\prime} & T D H-=49.4^{\prime} \\
= & H a t^{*}+\text { hs }-\mathrm{hf}-\text { hypa }+ \text { heq } & \\
= & 11.3+1.0-0.50-0.78+0 & \text { NPSHA }=11.02^{\prime}
\end{array}
$$

NPSH Calculation NPSHA


Tank Volume


## Standard Valve Pit / Connection Details



## Standard Valve Pit - Breather Details



## Standard Line Details



## Standard Line Connection Details



## Standard Skid (2) 300 CFM Vacuum Pumps \& 1500 Gal. Collection Tank



## Two-Skid Package Station - (2) 430 CFM Vacuum Pumps 2400 Gal. Tank



## Typical Building for Pre-assembled Station



## Typical Pre-assembled Skid for Vacuum Collection Station




[^0]:    * Vo
    = 1.84 Qmax for 3.5 Peak Factor
    = 1.64 Qmax for 4.0 Peak Factor

