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#### Abstract

An assessment was conducted during the pre-commissioning and commissioning period of an integrated wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). The WWTP has been designed to receive multiple effluents from central utility facilities (CUF) and other neighboring plants with varying wastewater characteristics. Commissioning of the plant was necessary as part of the quality assurance for the plant design specification. Operating units of the WWTP during commissioning are the intake collection, effluent monitoring, primary treatment operation, waste homogenizing and biological unit of processes. The assessment includes the monitoring of average flow rate, total suspended solids (TSS), oil & grease (O&G), pH, temperature, biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), chemical oxygen demand (COD), dissolved oxygen (DO), mixed liquor suspended solid (MLSS), and solid settling test. A complete Standard B analysis was conducted on the treated effluent at the first day and final day of the commissioning period. The total COD loading in this plant is 1488 mg/l and at the final discharge point the COD reading was 63 mg/L. It shows that the WWTP has the COD removal rate of 96%. The total TSS loading is 331mg/L and at the final discharge point the TSS reading was 27 mg/L. The average BOD from the untreated effluent streams was 109 mg/L and at the final discharge point the BOD reading was 10 mg/L. The WWTP has almost 91% of BOD treatment efficiency. The DO reading was very satisfactory throughout the 2 months pre-commissioning period with an average reading between 3.0 to 4.0 mg/l and during the commissioning period of 8 days, an average DO reading of 4.2 mg/L was observed. The average MLSS reading was 1690 mg/L. The integrated WWTP is considered operating within the DOE Standard B discharge limit.

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#### LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

A/B Absorption-Bio-Oxidation

AOL Acrosteolysis

APHA American Public Health Association

ASGP Ammonia Syngas Plant

ASM Activated Sludge Model

ASP Activated Sludge Process

ASL Angiosarcoma

BOD Biological Oxygen Demand

BPPA BP PETRONAS Acetyls Sdn Bhd @ Acetic Acid Plant

COD Chemical Oxygen Demand

CUF Central Utility Plant

CPI Coagulation Plate Interception

Demin. Dematerialized

DO Dissolved oxygen

DOE Department Of Environment

EDC Ethylene dichloride

ED & RC Environmental Protection And Resource Conservation

HRT Hydraulic Retention Time

IAWQ International Association On Water Quality

IWK Indah Water Konsortium

L Liter

 $m^3/d$  meter cube per day  $m^3/hr$  meter cube per hour

mg/L milligram per liter

MLSS Mixed Liquor Suspended Solids

#### LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS (Continued)

N Nitrogen

NH<sub>3</sub> Ammonia

NIOSH National Institute Of Occupational Safety and Health

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

OUR Oxygen Uptake Rate

P Phosphorus

PCDD/F Polychlorinated Dibenzodioxin/furan

PVC Poly Vinyl Chloride

RAS Return Activated Sludge

RBC Rotating Biological Contactor

SBR Sequencing Batch Reactors

SBC Solid Bowl Centrifuge

SCE Sister Chromatid Exchange

SDT Sludge Digestion Tank

TCDD 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzodioxin

T1 Tank 1

TDS Total Dissolve Solids

TOD Total Oxygen Demand Meters

TSS Total Suspended Solids

VC Vinyl Chloride

VCM Vinyl Chloride Monomer

VSS Volatile Suspended Solid

WAS Waste Activated Sludge

WWTP Wastewater Treatment Plant

### LIST OF APPENDIX

Appendix I: Standard B for Inland Water Other Than Those Within

Specified Drinking Water Catchments Areas.

Appendix II: Overall Process Flow