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A NEW ULTRA- AND MICROFILTRATION SYSTEM FROM DOW CHEMICAL, 40(~

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ABSTRACT

Dow Separation Systems manufactures a broad range of products

itseparation technologies, including:

-Dowex* ion exchange resins

-Film Tec** RO, NF and UF membranes

* ap for feed side RO, NF, UF and MF Membrane Filtration Systems

The Cassette system is a newly developed member of the range of module Membrane Filtration Systems, designed for the ultrafiltration or microfiltraion of large volumes of fluid with main application, emphasis being on water filtration.

Historically, the use of membrane ultra- and microfiltration for the treatment of large volumes of water has been limited in part by the unfavorable economics of the process compared to conventional filtration techniques, despite the adventages with respect to product water quality. The main purpose for developing the Cassette system was to develope a product technically and economically optimum for the treatment of water.

This has been achieved by the following:

- 1. Designing a simple and relatively low cost configuration and assembly for large membrane area.
- 2. Optimising the hydraulic characteristics within the membrane. thereby optimising permeate flux and improving flux control compared to spiral wound configuration.

* PP & PU fabrication

+ low press application

* back-washing

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* Cost comparision

The cassette system has the following characteristics:

- It is manufactured from flat sheet membrane, thus utilizing the Thin Film Composite and surface modified flat sheet membranes available.
- 2. System is based on modular construction to allow building of wide range of configurations from simple elements, and giving flexibility to modify the configuration of an operating plant.
- Cassette can be backwashed to give steady state pressure/flux characteristics on highly fouling feed waters, allowing a lower frequency of chemical cleaning.
- The configuration allows transmembrane pressure to be controlled within vary narrow limits compared to other UF/MF systems. This is an important factor in the control of fouling.
- 5. The unit module contains membrane areas from 30m2 to 720m2.

Typical applications for the Cassette system are:

- Filtraion of surface water for potable or industrial applications in place of traditional flocculation, sedimentation and filtration techniques.
- 2. Filtration of secondary effluent prior to discharge, recirculation or demineralisation.
- 3. Prefiltration of surface seawater prior to reverse osmosis desalination.
- 4. Filtration of seawater for reinjection in oil fields.
- 5. Separation of oil and water in offshore industries and in refinery waste water.

Various pilot trials have been conducted to establish operating parameters on a range of feed waters.