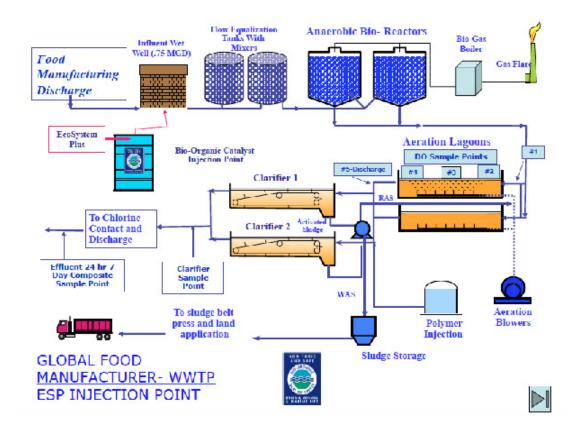


## RESULTS OF ECOSYSTEMS PLUS<sup>®</sup> INJECTION IN SECONDARY AERATION LAGOONS GLOBAL FOOD MANUFACTURER (SEPTEMBER 6-22 2006)

#### **Primary Project Objectives::**

- Demonstrate ESP<sup>®</sup>'s ability to increase the transfer of dissolved oxygen into the secondary aeration lagoons.
- A baseline of DO measurements was established for the period 8/17-23/06 in both lagoons 2 & 3.
- The levels were measured daily at 5 separate points along the length of each lagoon.
- The points were:
  - 1. Influent distribution box.
  - 2. The beginning of lagoon.
  - 3. Midway point. (Opposite surface aerator #1).
  - 4. End of the lagoon. (Opposite surface aerator #2).
  - 5. Effluent discharge box.







#### Technology breakthrough greater aeration efficiency:

- Improves oxygen transfer and uptake.
- Reduces energy use, while increasing DO.
- Increases biological activity and biomass.
- Increases treatment plant capacity.
- Reduces volatile organics for odor control.
- Improves nitrification and de-nitrification cycle.

#### Technology breakthrough solubilization of lipids:

- Solubilization of fats, oils, and greases (FOG's).
- This is an accelerated natural catalytic process in which lipid ester bonds are rapidly cleaved, reducing their molecular structure to both glycerol and fatty acids.
- Glycerol and fatty acids are then readily available to wastewater micro-organisms as a high-energy food source of carbon for enhancement of nitrification and de-nitrification reduction processes.

#### Study parameters (dissolved oxygen testing):

- Since the RAS could not be separated, it was not possible to isolate Lagoon #3 and #2.
- Increases in DO were examined and compared as a combined total for lagoons #2 and #3.
- The ON and OFF time periods are both compared against the baseline.

#### Secondary channel flows:

- The average daily influent flow from the anaerobic bio-reactor is .75 MGD, and this flow is split into two (2) influent flows of .365 MGD to the aerobic lagoons #2 and #3.
- These secondary aeration lagoons have a volume of 1.5 million gallons each.
- Each aeration lagoon has two (2) surface aerators, along with six 6 sub-surface, finebubble, air diffusers.

#### Secondary channel loading:

- Average return activated sludge (RAS) flow, per-lagoon, is .144 MGD.
- Baseline average daily loading was 10,677 lbs. TCOD.
- Average daily loading during study (9/6-22/06) was 14,818 lbs. TCOD.

#### **Study Start-up:**

- EcoSystems Plus<sup>®</sup> was injected into the #3 lagoon influent distribution box: 9/6-22/06 @ 3.6 GPD.
- The results of increased DO levels (9/6-22/06) are compared against various baselines.

#### **Study testing:**

- NH3-N and TCOD levels, sampled at the clarifier discharge point, were compared against historic baselines.
- Final sludge volumes from dewatering were compared against a baseline.
- PO4-P Removal Rates were compared as well.

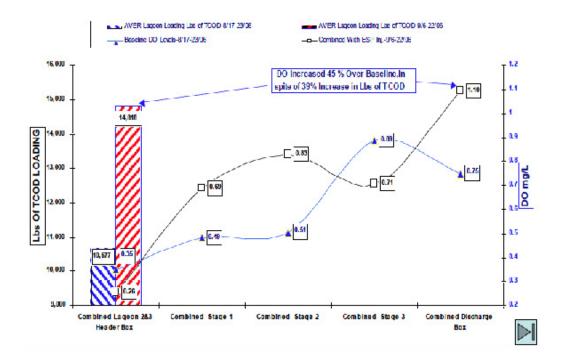
#### Results in secondary aeration lagoons (dissolved oxygen)

- 45% increase in DO measured at the lagoon discharge point: study period 9/6-22/06, against baseline period 8/17-23/06.
- Surface aerators both on and off.
- Concurrent with 39% increase in TCOD loading, over baselines.

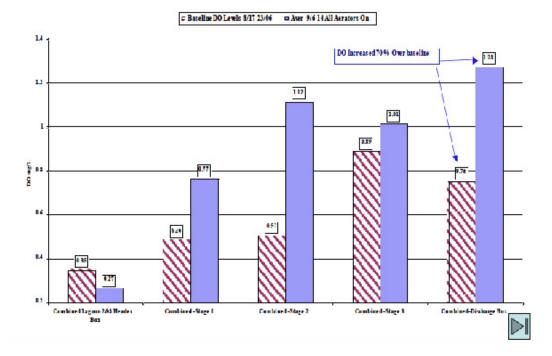
#### Results in secondary aeration lagoons (dissolved oxygen):

- 70% increase in DO measured at the lagoon discharge point with ESP injection, against the baseline period.
- Surface aerators continually on.
- Concurrent with 39% increase in TCOD loading.

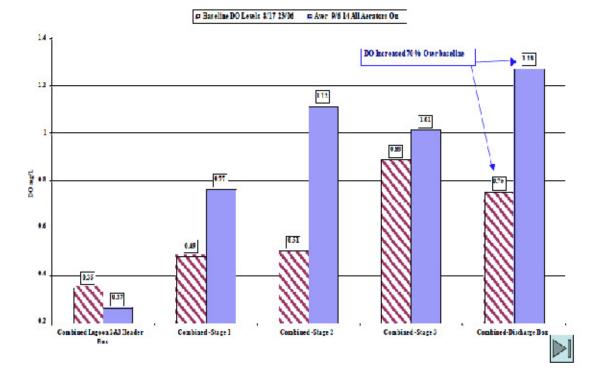
#### Comparison of total (DO) increases in secondary aerators:



Comparison of (DO) increases with all surface aerators on:



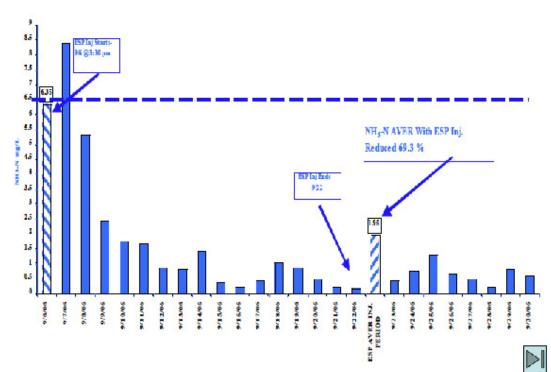
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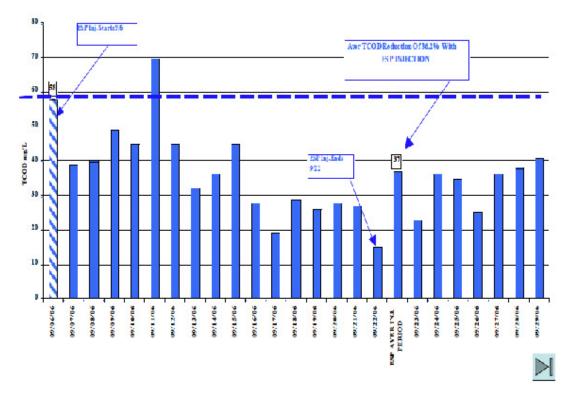
# Secondary aeration Lagoons (NH<sub>3</sub>, TKN & TCOD Reductions): 69.3 % reduction in NH<sub>3</sub> & TKN- (mg/l) @ clarifier discharge.

- •• 36.2% reduction in TCOD -(mg/l) @ clarifier discharge.

#### **Reductions of NH3 - N at clarifier:**



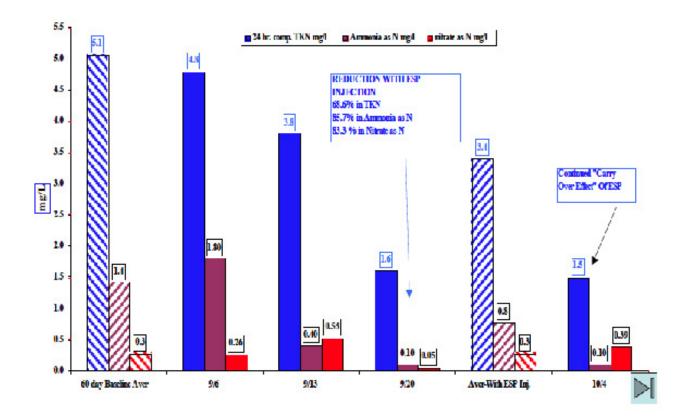
#### **Reductions in TCOD at clarifier:**



#### Secondary aeration lagoons (TKN, NH3-N & nitrates) reductions in final discharge levels:

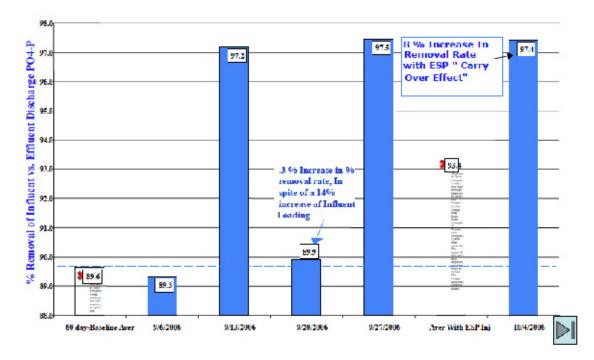
- 68.6% in TKN mg/l @ Effluent discharge
- 85.7% in Ammonia as NH-, mg/l @ Effluent discharge
- 83.3 % in Nitrate as N mg/l @ Effluent discharge

#### Improved final effluent discharges:



### Improvements in PO<sub>4</sub>-P discharges:

- Baseline PO<sub>4</sub>-P % removal was 89.6 %
- Removal rates improved to 97.3 % for three weeks.
- One week (9/20/06) only improved by .3 %, however the influent load increased by 14% during that week.



#### Improved removal of PO4-P discharges (influent vs effluent):

#### **Reductions in sludge volumes:**

- 28.3 % Sludge reduction
  - Baseline level of sludge pressed: daily average of 57,065 Lbs.
  - Study period sludge pressed: daily average of 40,892 Lbs.
  - Concurrent during study period there was a 39% increase in Lbs. of TCOD influent loading.