

The **SMART**[™] Solution to Real-Time Performance Optimization & Fouling Management of Membrane Desalination & Filtration Plants



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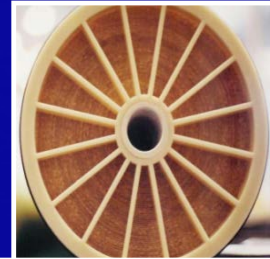
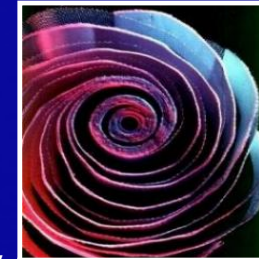
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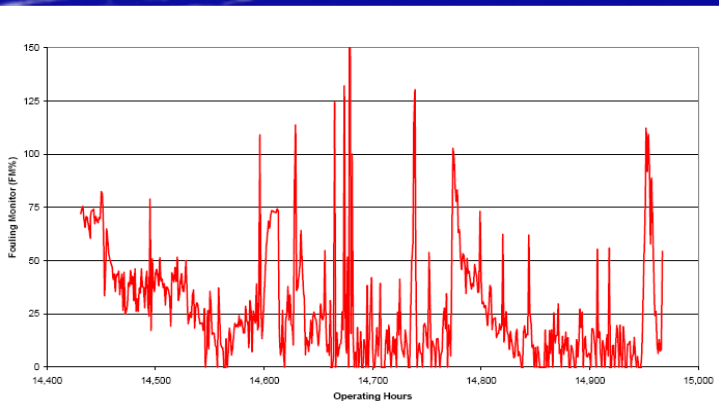


STATUS OF MEMBRANE DESALINATION

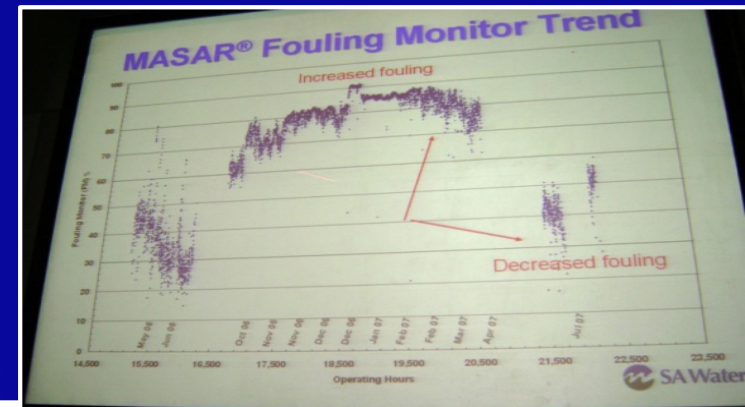
- **WATER DESALINATION AND FILTRATION IS A \$BILLION 18.0-20.0 MARKET WORLDWIDE, AND FORECASTED TO REACH \$BILLION 52.5 IN 2020, UP 320% FROM \$B12.5 IN 2010 AND AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF 12-15%.**
- **US REPRESENTS \$BILLION 4.2 OR 33% OF GLOBAL DESALINATION EQUIPMENT MARKET TOTALING \$BILLION 12.7 BY 2025 .**
- **MIDDLE EASTERN COUNTRIES, WHICH PRODUCE 50% OF WORLD'S CAPACITY WILL SPEND \$B 70-100 THROUGH 2030 ON NEW PLANTS; 25-40% WILL BE SPENT ON MEMBRANE PLANTS, MAINLY SWRO.**
- **SAUDI ARABIA PLANS TO SPEND \$BILLION 500 ON SOLAR-POWERED AND OIL-INDEPENDENT DESALINATION PLANTS BY 2030.**

WHY MONITOR ?

- OPTIMIZE PLANT OPERATION & PERFORMANCE
- MAXIMIZE PLANT AVAILABILITY & EFFICIENCY
- MINIMIZE & MITIGATE OPERATIONAL AND PERFORMANCE PROBLEMS
- DETECT & TROUBLE-SHOOT RO MEMBRANE FOULING & SCALING AND UF/MF PERMEABILITY EARLY.
- PLAN MAINTENANCE, SYSTEM REFURBISHMENTS & UPGRADES

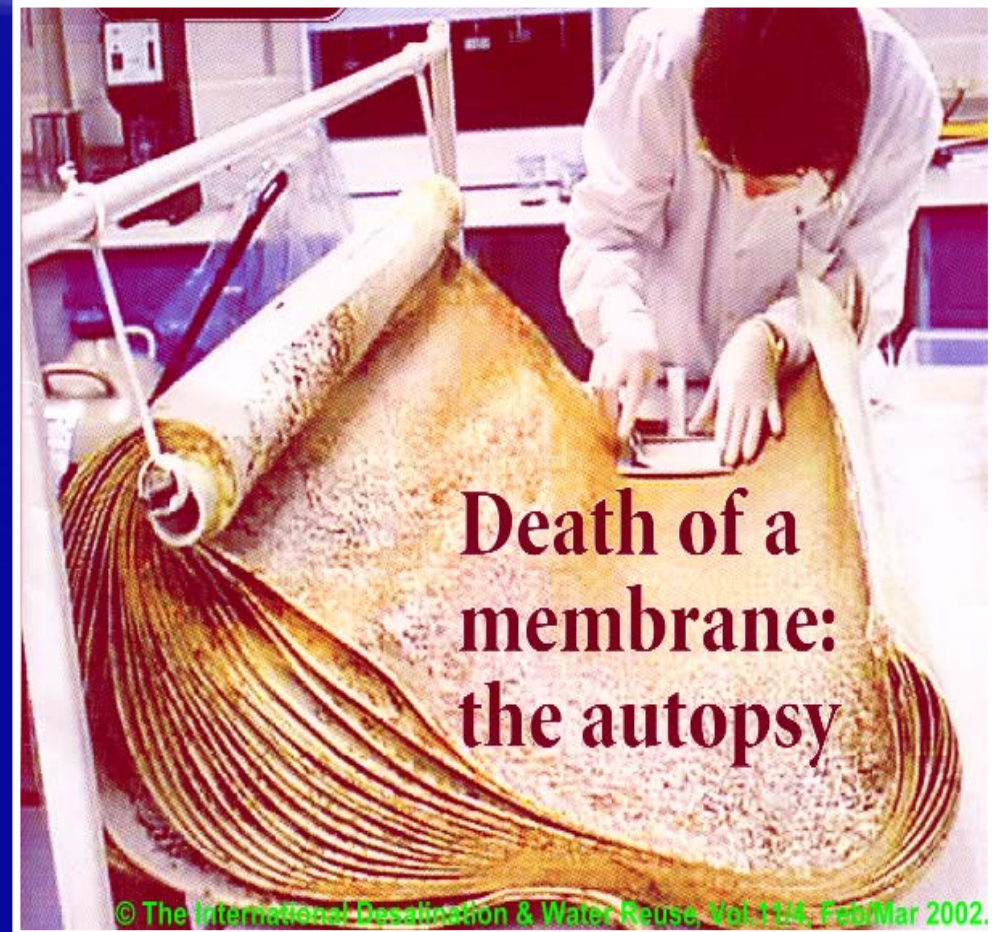


✓ **MINIMIZE
COST OF
WATER**



WHY MONITOR ?

ULTIMATE FATE WITHOUT PROPER MONITORING



THE ISSUES

- **MEMBRANE FOULING , *CANCER OF THE MEMBRANE*, IS MOST CRITICAL ISSUE IN DESALINATION TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS SINCE 1980**
- **NO SYSTEM DESIGN MODEL/ PROJECTION CAN PREDICT FOULING IN DESIGN STAGE, UNLIKE CHEMICAL SCALING**
- **EARLY DETECTION , IDENTIFICATION AND MEASUREMENT OF FOULING MAGNITUDE AND OPTIMIZATION OF OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY & COST N REAL-TIME CRITICAL TO SYSTEM HEALTH**

RO MEMBRANE



UF MEMBRANE



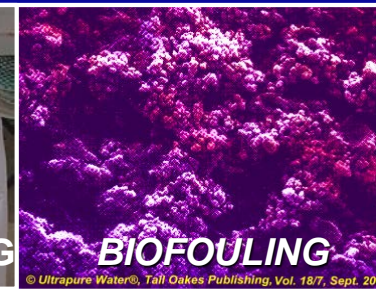
COLLOIDAL FOULING



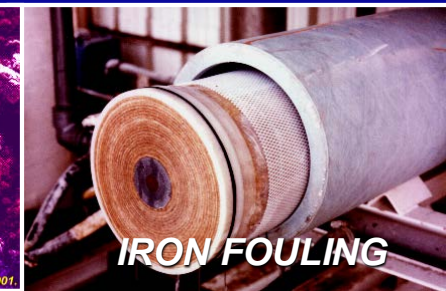
ORGANIC FOULING



TEP ORGANIC FOULING



BIOFOULING



IRON FOULING

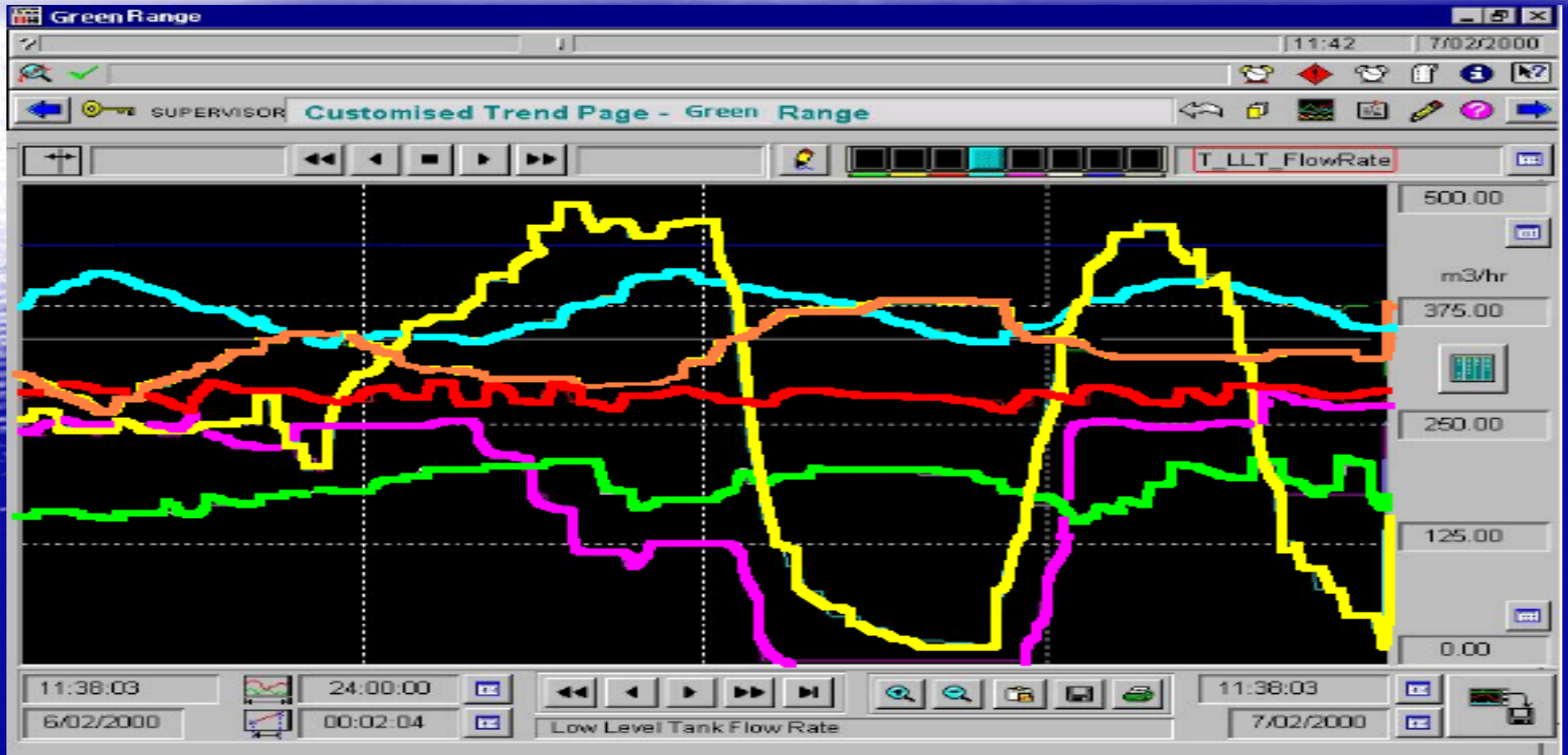
HOW TO MONITOR ?

- *TRACK CHANGES IN WATER QUALITY*
- *TRACK CHANGES IN CHEMICAL & ENERGY USAGE*
- *EVALUATE PRETREATMENT EFFICIENCY*
- *COLLECT PLANT & SYSTEM OPERATING DATA PARAMETERS MANUALLY OR VIA SENSORS (SCADA)*
- *EVAUATE MEMBRANE SYSTEM FLUX & SALT PASSAGE PERFORMANCE TRENDING VIA ASTM NORMALIZATION OF DATA TO TAKE “APPROPRIATE” ACTION (MOSTLY MEMBRANE CLEANINGS & REPLACEMENTS) AND TRY TO MAINTAIN PLANT PRODUCTIVITY AND AVAILABILITY.*

HOW TO ANALYZE?

- ***ASTM D 4516 STANDARD NORMALIZATION METHOD***
 - ***ONLY AVAILABLE METHOD IN INDUSTRY, DEVELOPED BY DUPONT SINCE 1974 TO EVALUATE MEMBRANE SYSTEM FLUX AND SALT PASSAGE PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS***
 - ***BASED ON ESTABLISHING LONG-TERM TREND, NOT REAL TIME MONITORING***
 - ***BASED ON LIMITED LAB TESTING OF MEMBRANE PERFORMANCE OF STATISTICAL SAMPLES UNDER IDEAL, NON-EMPIRICAL CONDITIONS (NO FOULING).***

AUTOMATED ON-LINE REMOTE MONITORING SCADA TRENDING OF WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM



ASTM D 4516 STANDARD NORMALIZATION METHOD

❖ SET “STANDARD” CONDITIONS AS BASIS FOR NORMALIZATION, CALCULATE CORRECTION FACTORS (DESIGN TO OPERATION):

✓ TEMPERATURE CORRECTION FACTOR: $TCF = M^{(T-25)}$ $M = 1.028-1.03$

✓ PRESSURE CORRECTION FACTOR:

$$PCF = \text{FEED } P - \Delta P_{fb} / 2 - \text{PRODUCT } P$$

$fb = \text{Feed-Brine Avg.}$

✓ NET DRIVING FORCE PER MEMBRANE:

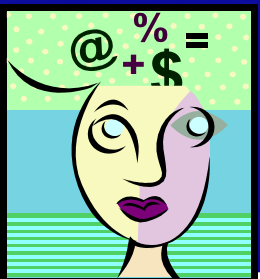
$$NDFM = (PCF - \text{NET OSMOTIC PRESSURE}_{fb}) * TCF$$

❖ **NORMALIZED FLOW:** $Q_{ps} = [NDFM_s / NDFM_a] * Q_a$

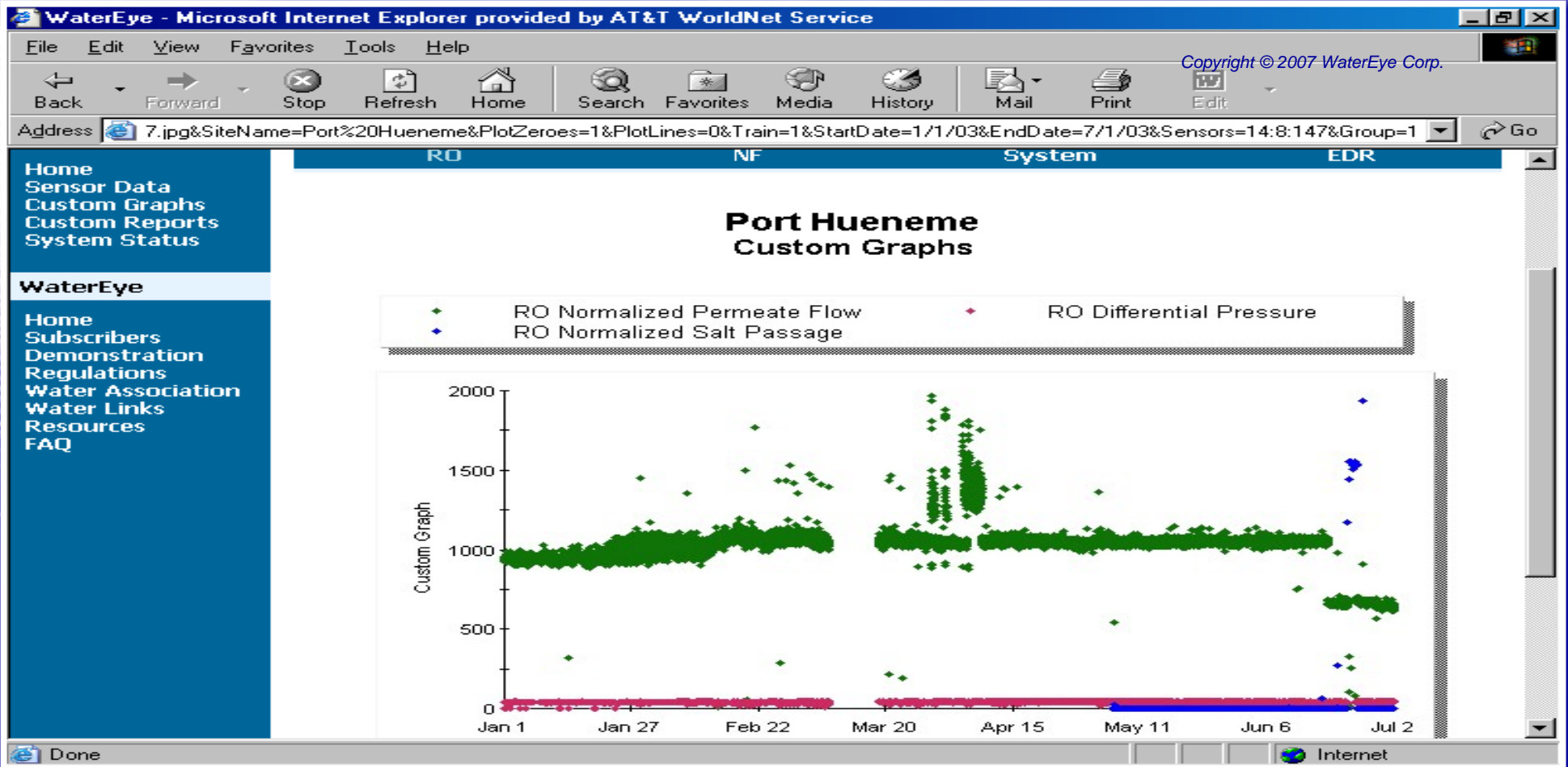
❖ **NORMALIZED SALT PASSAGE:**

$$\%SP_{ps} = [NDFM_s / NDFM_a] * [C_{fbs} * C_{fa}] / [C_{fba} * C_{fs}] * \%Sp_a$$

$C_{fa} = \text{Actual Feed Conc. (ppm NaCl)}$

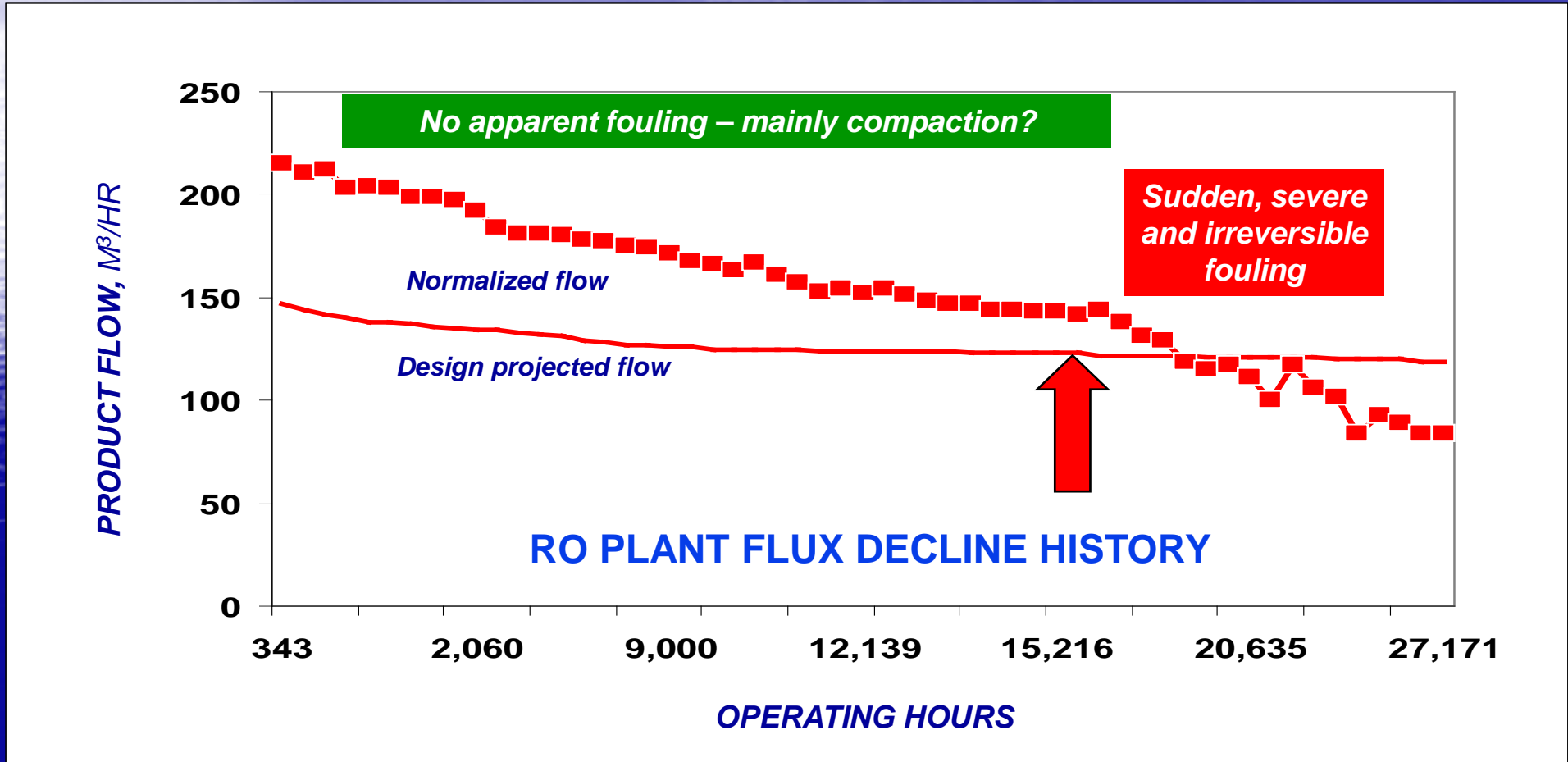


AUTOMATED ONLINE REMOTE MONITORING ASTM-NORMALIZED RO PLANT DATA



ASTM D 4516 NORMALIZED PERFORMANCE TRENDING

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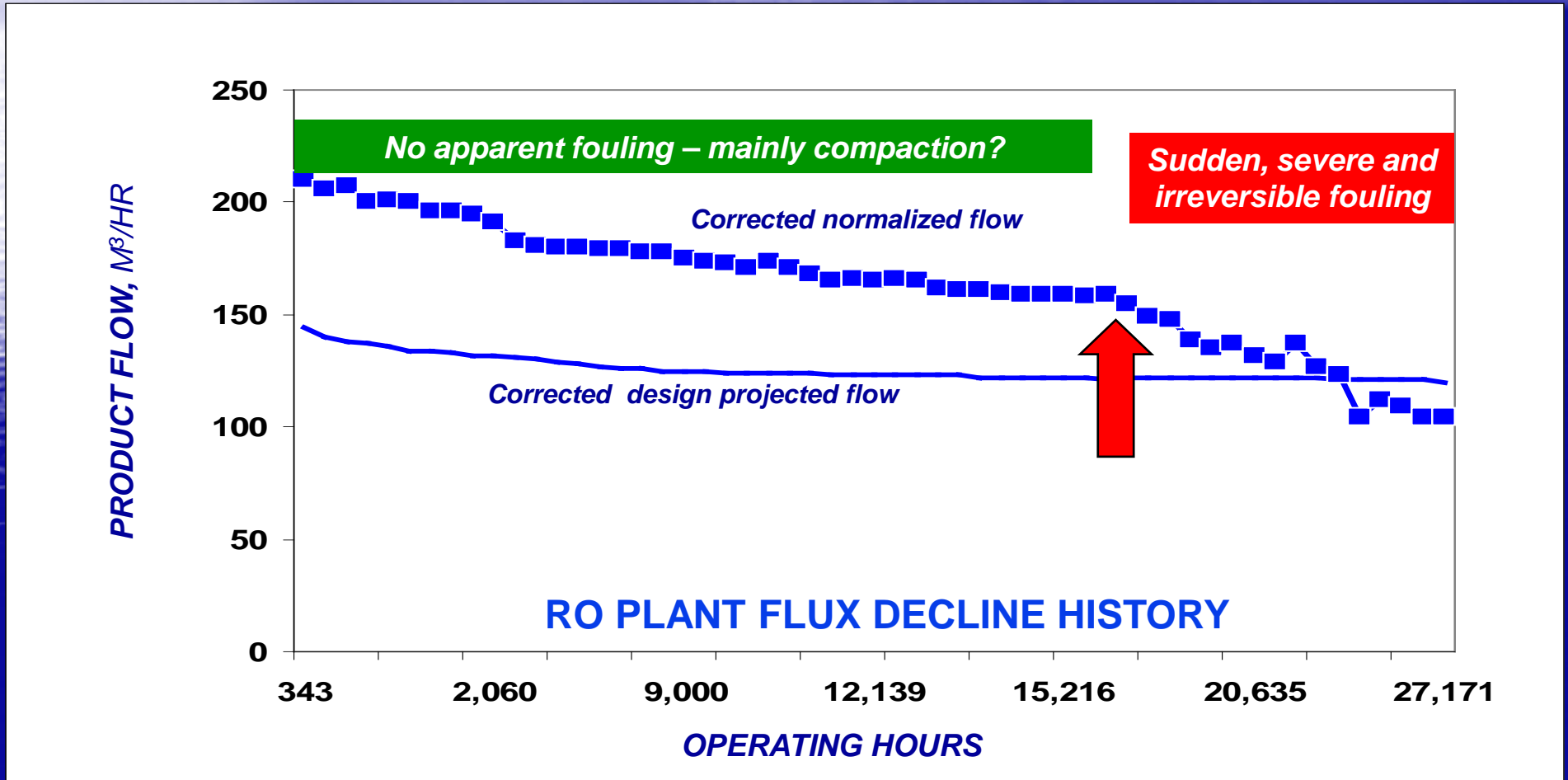


WHAT'S WRONG WITH MEMBRANE SYSTEMS' TRENDING?

- ***NON-RESPONSIVE AS A LONG-TERM FUNCTION***
- ***REPRESENTS ONLY THE MEMBRANE BEHAVIOR, NOT RELATED TO REAL PLANT DYNAMICS & SITE FACTORS***
- ***CAN BE MISLEADING & SUBJECT TO WIDE INTERPRETATION***
- ***MEANINGFUL ONLY IF PLANT IS RUNNING WELL OR FOULING SEVERELY***
- ***CANNOT PREDICT, DETECT OR MEASURE FOULING DEVELOPMENT EARLY***
- ***CANNOT DISTINGUISH IF DETERIORATION IN PERFORMANCE IS DUE TO FOULING OR OTHER CAUSES***

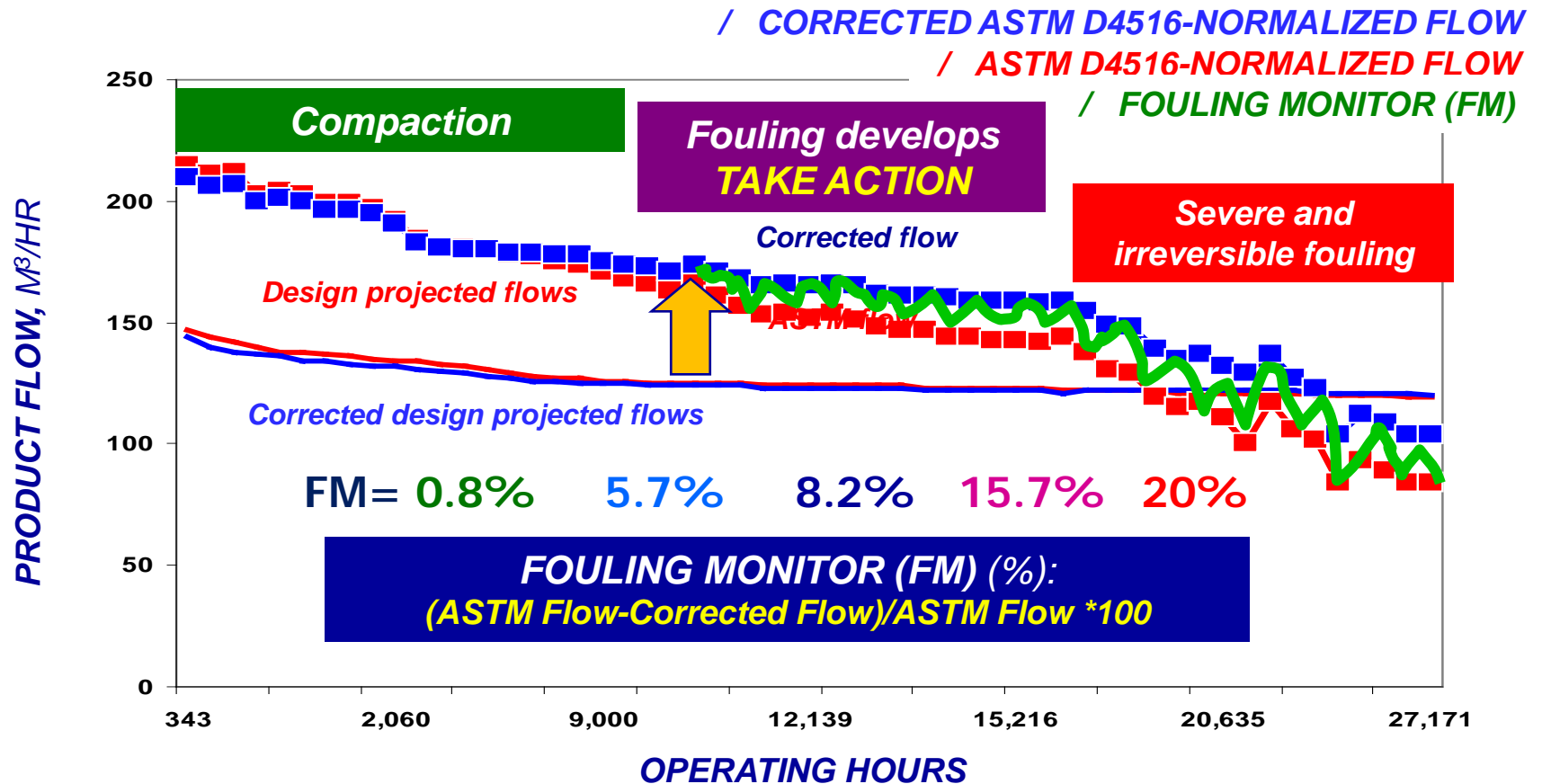
ASTM-CORRECTED NORMALIZED PERFORMANCE TRENDING

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THE SMART™ SOLUTION

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CRITERIA OF A **SMART** SYSTEM

*As defined by Wikipedia, a **SMART** System must be:*

- **Specific:** Significant, Simple, Sustainable, Smart!
- **Measurable:** Motivational, Manageable, Meaningful.
- **Actionable:** Attainable, Achievable, Adjustable, Acceptable, Alert-based.
- **Real-time:** Relevant, Resourceful, Realistic, Results-based, Reproducible.
- **Time-bound:** Time-sensitive/limited, Testable, Traceable.

WHY IS IT **SMARTER** THAN TRENDING?

- ✓ **ALLOWS EARLY, REAL-TIME DETECTION AND MEASUREMENT OF FOULING & SCALING DEVELOPMENT OR POTENTIAL**
- ✓ **ALLOWS EFFECTIVE RESPONSE TO “SILENT” ALARMS AND MAXIMIZES PROBABILITY OF ADDRESSING PERFORMANCE PROBLEMS IN A TIMELY MANNER**
- ✓ **DISTINGUISES BETWEEN FOULING/SCALING AND OTHER CAUSES OF PERFORMANCE DETERIORATION SO THAT CORRECT RESPONSE IS IMPLEMENTED**
- ✓ **ALLOWSS DYNAMIC, PLANT-SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT OF TRUE EFFECT OF MEMBRANE CLEANINGS, REPLACEMENTS, ADDITIONS, PROCESS, CHEMICALS AND OTHER CHANGES**
- ✓ **CONTINUOUSLY OPTIMIZES PLANT O&M COSTS**

SMART™ TECHNOLOGY SWRO FM MONITORING GUIDELINES

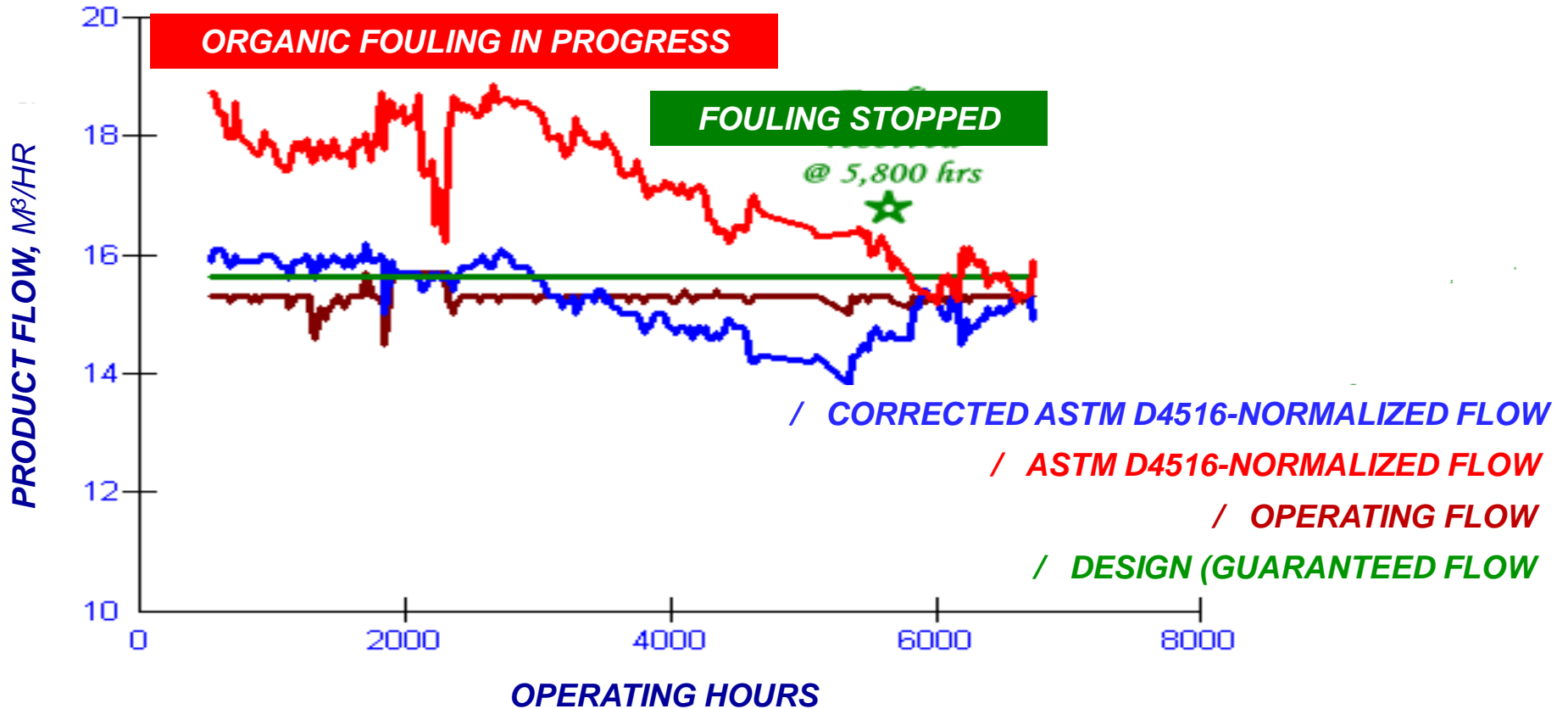
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FM RANGE	FOULING STATUS	RECOMMENDED ACTION
0%-5%	No significant fouling.	Good operation. Continue to monitor.
5%-15%	Low to moderate fouling may be starting to develop.	Monitor more closely. Consider trouble-shooting if FM trend continues to rise.
15%-25%	Moderate to heavy fouling is in progress.	Start trouble-shooting immediately to identify and eliminate source of fouling.
> 25%	Heavy to irreversible fouling is occurring.	Significant membrane replacements and/or additions required due to extensive loss of performance.

SMART™ TECHNOLOGY PLANT CASE STUDY

CASE A: FOULING SEAWATER RO PLANT

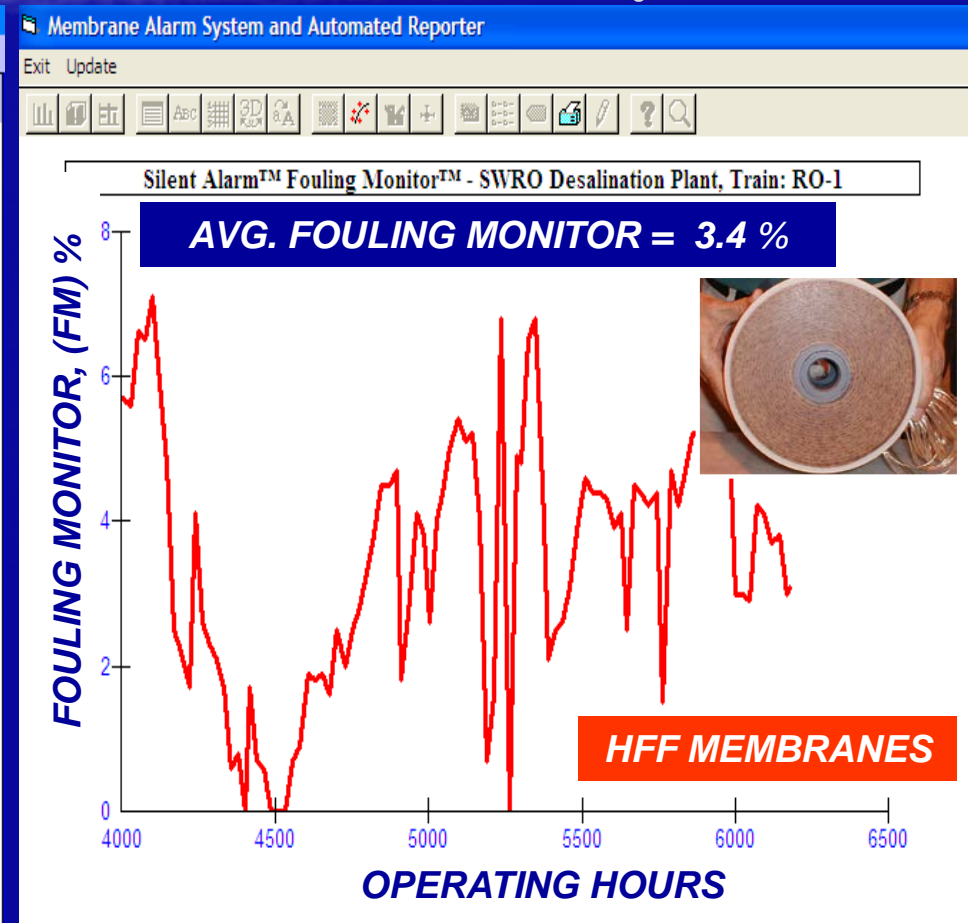
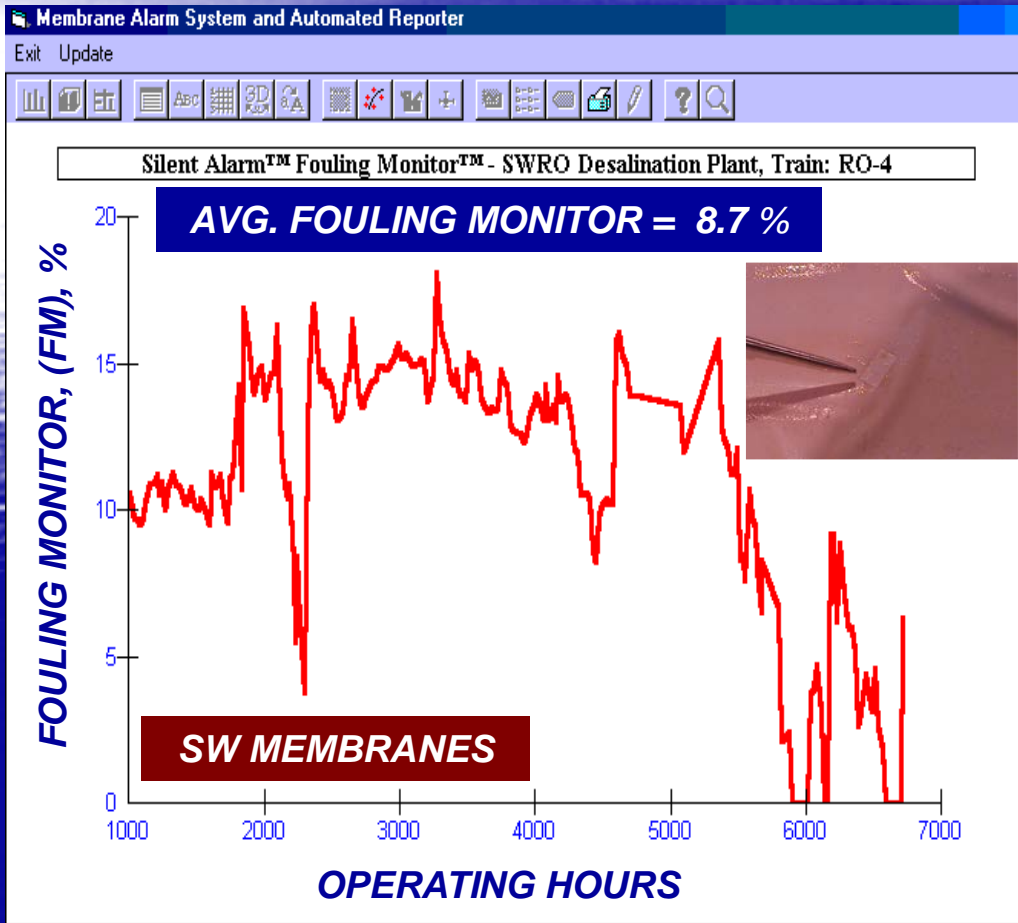
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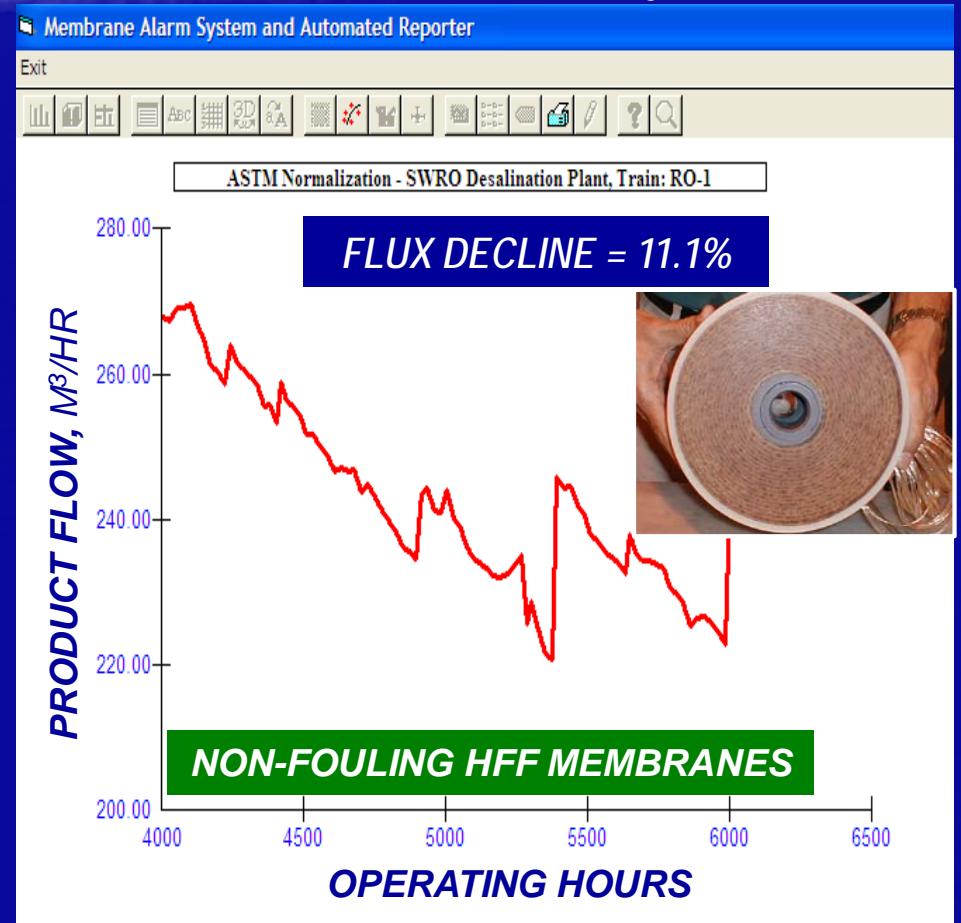
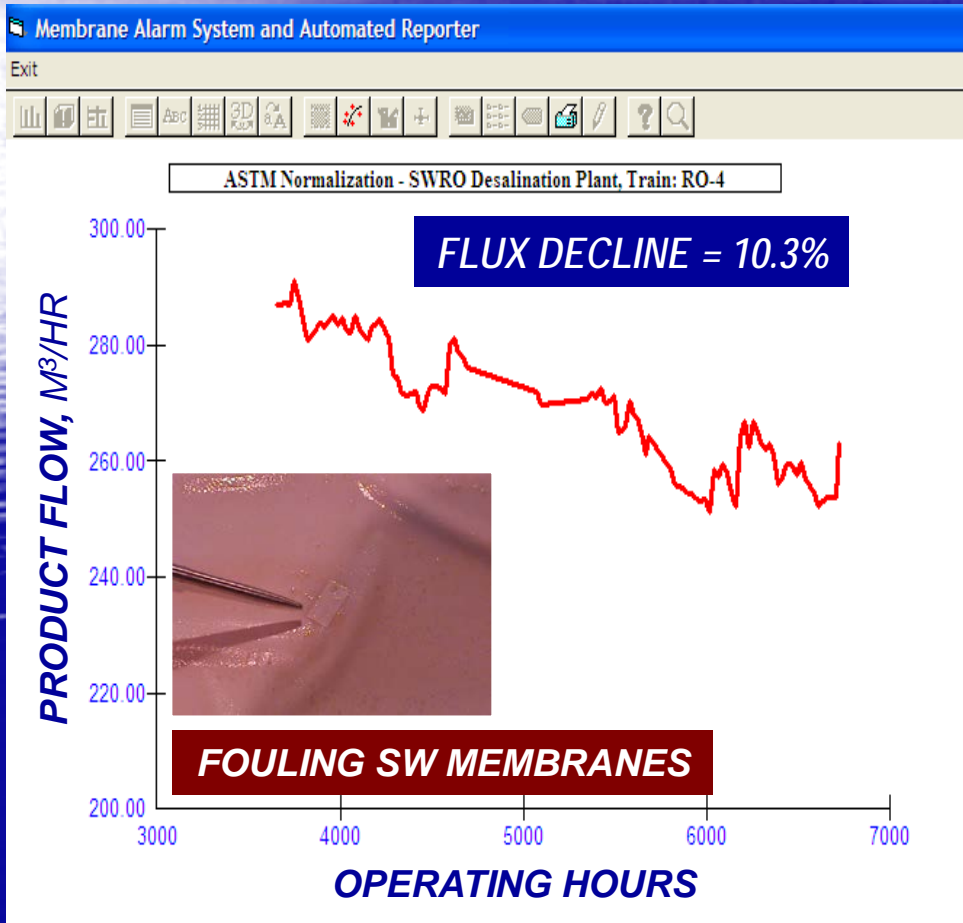
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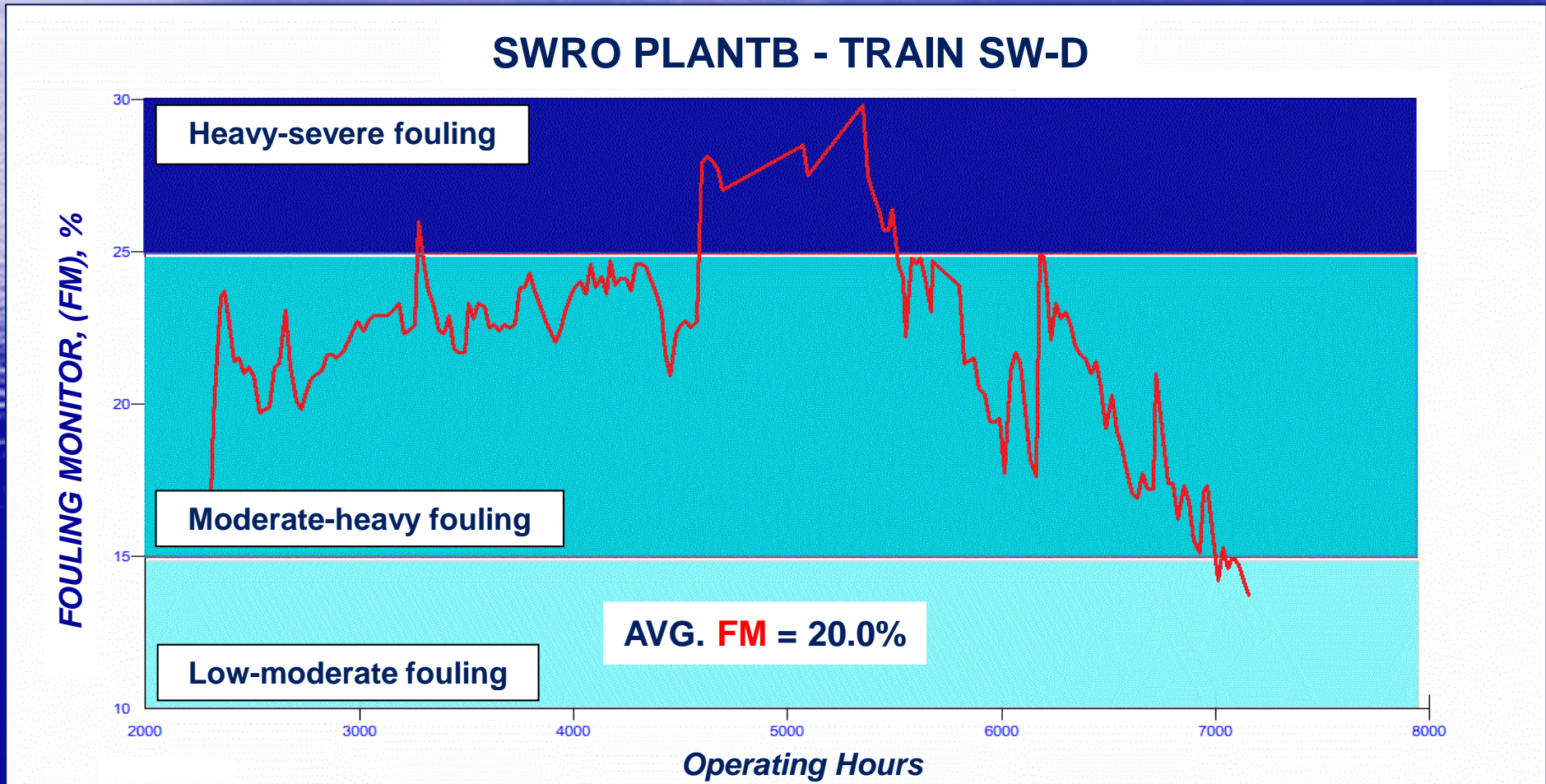
CASE A: FOULING/NON-FOULING SEAWATER RO PLANT

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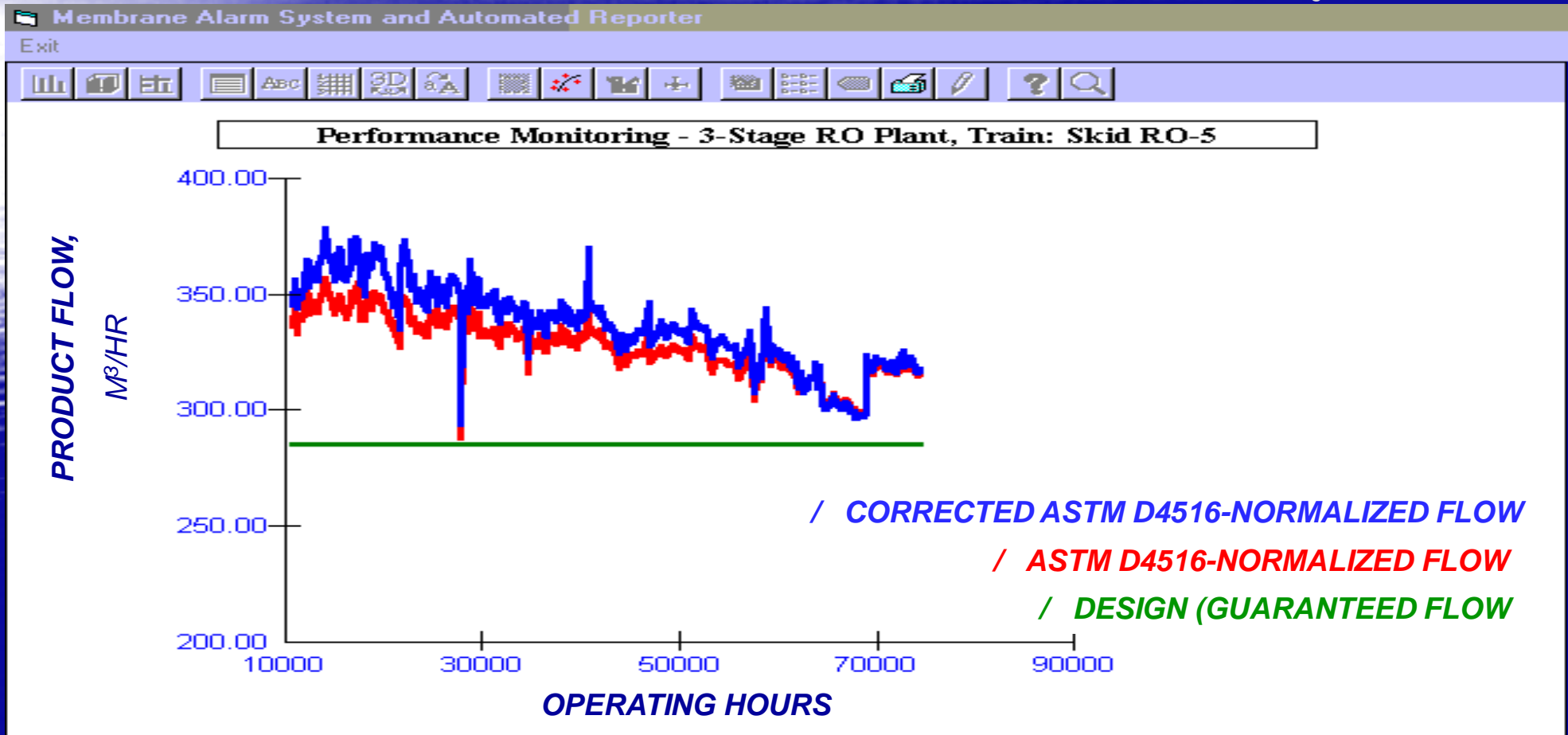
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CASE C: NON-FOULING HIGH BRACKISH WATER RO PLANT

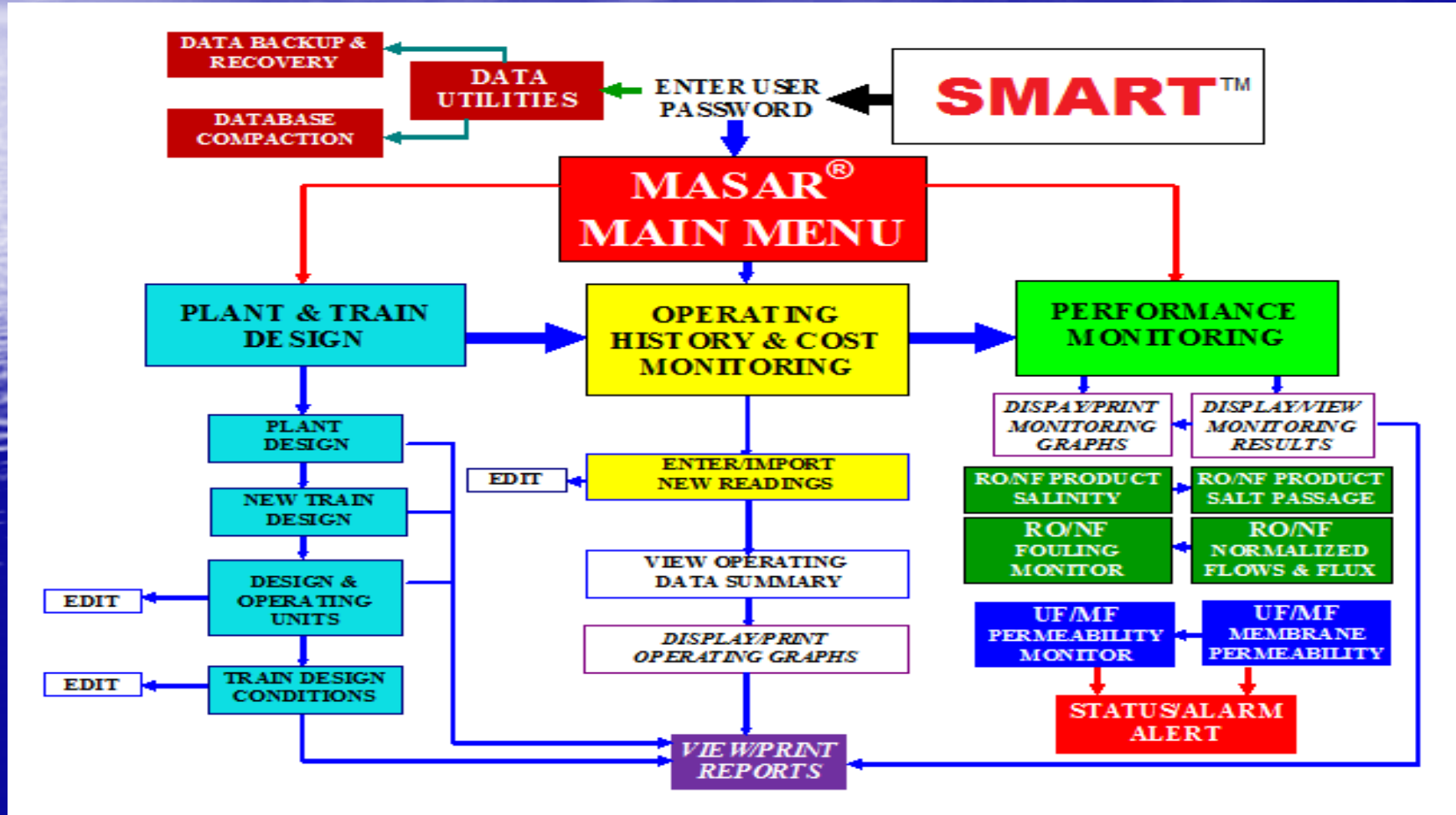
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MEMBRANE ALARAM SYSTEM & AUTOMATED REPORTER - MASAR® Program Applications

- ***PROPRIETARY CUSTOM SOFTWARE VALIDATED BY EXTENSIVE FIELD DATA AND EVALUATIONS.***
- ***TESTED AND APPROVED BY WORLD'S PIONEER MEMBRANE MANUFACTURER, DUPONT, AUTHOR OF ASTM D-4516 STANDARD NORMALIZATION METHOD.***
- ***REQUIRES SAME INPUT AS REQUIRED BY ASTM D-4516 STANDARD NORMALIZATION METHOD.***
- ***APPLICABLE TO ALL MEMBRANE-BASED DESALINATION (RO/NF) AND WATER PURIFICATION (UF/MF) SYSTEMS OF ANY FEED SOURCE, QUALITY, SALINITY, MEMBRANE MANUFACTURE AND DESIGN CONFIGURATION.***

MASAR® PROGRAM'S FLOW CHART



CONCLUSIONS

- ❖ **INDUSTRY NEEDS TO ADOPT NEW APPROACHES, STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES IN THE DESIGN, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND EVALUATION OF THE PERFORMANCE OF MEMBRANE DESALINATION & FILTRATION SYSTEMS TO MINIMIZE THE TOTAL COST OF WATER.**
- ❖ **THE *SMART* TECHNOLOGY IS A UNIQUE, INNOVATIVE, RELIABLE FIELD-TESTED AND EARLY-WARNING SOLUTION TO DETECTING AND MONITORING MEMBRANE FOULING AND OPTIMIZING THE OPERATION, PERFORMANCE AND COSTS OF REAL PLANTS IN REAL-TIME.**
- ❖ **TECHNOLOGY TESTED & APPROVED BY WORLD'S MEMBRANE MANUFACTURERS PIONEER, DUPONT, AND KEY PLANT ENDUSERS.**

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