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Therm Autothermal Thermophilic Aerobic Digestion

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Biosolids Treatment

Thermal Process Systems Smith Environmental ThermAer Process

ThermAer System

Thickening step (WAS, MBR, SBR, etc)
Main processing reactor (ThermAer)
Liquid storage and nutrient reduction (SNDR)
Dewatering (belt press, centrifuge, etc.)
Class A disposal (land application, soil blending)

ThermAer System

• Maintains thermophilic temperatures of 131°-160°F without an outside source of heat (typically 145°F for ease of operation) Provides for approximately 50% total solids reduction Provides for 60 – 70% volatile solids reduction Produces a Class A end product that is easily dewaterable for storage and land application

SNDR

Maintains mesophilic conditions (95°F) and pH control allowing for nitrification/denitrification and ammonia reduction Allows for an additional 10% TS destruction by satisfying additional residual oxygen demand Reduces overall dewatering costs by conditioning the sludge Lowers N & P recycle Provides a wide spot in the line prior to dewatering

WWTP Size in ppd vs. Number of Plants



U.S. ATAD Facilities

SC

Wisconsin

(HOV & Grand Chyle

California (Pacifica)

OR

CA

Fruita, St. Vrain)

Washington

(E. Wenatchee)

ID

UT

AZ

Colorado (Avon, Edwards,

NV

MT

WY

NM

TPS ThermAer 50 Operating Facilities 8 Under Construction

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Minnesota

(Marshall &

Waseca)

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Texas (HCID)

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Illinois (Yorkville, Itasca, Sycamore Bellevlille)

Michigan (Three Rivers, Traverse City) Pennsylvania

Towanda, LATA, Middletown, Huntingdon, Valley Joint, Brodhead) OhiO (Delphos, Bowling Green Middletown, & Portsmouth)

Indiana (Lafayette, Franklin & Decatur) – Kentucky (Morehead)

South Carolina

(Brunswick County x 3)

W. Virginia (Princeton)

Kansas (Ft. Riley) Tennessee (Lebanon, Maryville)

Georgia (Villa Rica, Walnut Creek)

TPS ThermAer Vs Lime

Replaced 6 Liming Units in Midwest

- Middletown, OH
- LATA, PA
- Middletown, PA
- Maryville, TN
- Huntingdon, PA

Reduces volume, not increases it (x5)

TPS ThermAer Vs AnD

 Unclassified versus Class 1 Div 1 Lower solids volume for T&D Corrosive atmosphere for Dewatering Retro-fitted 13 anaerobic digestors Smaller tank volumes – no new tanks Plants rethinking – NG prices drop Class A – easy disposal

TPS ThermAer Vs AD

Lower Energy (approximately 50% bhp)

- Much smaller tank size 5% feed
- Better VSR
- Drier cake solids
- Class A disposal options

TPS ThermAer Vs ATAD

 Retro-fit 8 - 1st Generation Systems 5 Fuchs Systems 1 Jet Tech 1 Dayton Knight • 1 CBI Walker Process Control No odor generation

TPS ThermAer Vs TPS

~50 Installations in US
All (every plant) are still in operation
5 plants have included in Phase 2
Continued Plant Operator Support
Growing US small company (20 years)

TPS ThermAer

• T & D Most WWTPs have free land app. Should use \$0 as T & D Electric Cost Use bhp not nphp Significantly lower – PLC Green Technology







Delphos, Ohio

- 3.83 MGD design (1.5 MGD average)
- 70% combined / 7 permitted CSOs
 - 8,700 lbs/day (2006)
 - 72% VS and 52% TS reduction
 - 25% average TS off of belt press
 - 350 to 450 dry ton per year
 - Land application by farmers (lottery system)

2009 Loadings

Month	Avg. TS Ib/day Feed	Avg. VS Ib/day Feed	TS Dest. %	VS Dest. %
January	4547	3169	53	- 67 -
February	5432	3394	48	65
March	6258	4180	50	69
April	5694	3821	62	77
May	6630	4555	62	76
June	8098	5701	74	81
July	5827	4166	51	68
August	2129	1509	30	58
September	2768	1860	42	64
October	5009	3486	42	63
November	4094	3242	40	63
December	4130	3250	30	54
Average	5051.3	3527.8	49	67

2011 Loadings

Month	Avg. TS Ib/day Feed	Avg. % VS in feed	TS Dest. %	VS Dest. %
January	5951.0	75.7	49	63
February	7370.0	78.9	60.3	72.6
March	5563.0	80.1	57.2	70.6
April	7645.0	81.2	47.1	61.2
May	6417.3	81.7	64.3	73.6
June	7027.0	77.5	59.3	67.5
July	5159.0	78.5	45.5	56.9
August	2546.4	68.5	68.1	71.2
September	3856.7	74.5	48.6	57.2
October	3823.4	7 5.4	24.3	39.8
November	3076.5	77.9	65	73.7
December	3285	76.5	32.2	48.7
Average	5143.4	77.2	51.7	63

Delphos ThermAer Advantages

 Provided a Class A biosolids product that Delphos gives away resulting in an annual savings of up to \$200,000

 Odor free biosolid material that dewaters on a belt press up to 28% TS (average is 22-25%)

50% TS reduction (meant less storage for cake)
 60 – 70% VS destruction

Bowling Green, Ohio • 10 MGD design (5.0 MGD average) 60% combined / 1 permitted CSO 15,430 lbs/day (2005) 65% VS and 60% TS reduction 38% TS off of the centrifuge ~850 dry tons per year Topsoil generator Total cost savings of over \$188,000 annually

Middletown, Ohio 16.5 MGD Average Daily Flow 33,800 lbs/day (2009) 50% VS and 35% TS reduction 34% TS off of the centrifuge ~ 1845 dry tons per year Land application by contract operations Estimates total savings of at least \$216,000 annually

Lower Allen Township Authority, Pennsylvania

 6.25 MGD Average Daily Flow • 9,000 lbs/day (2011) 74% VS and 50 - 60% TS reduction 26% TS off of the centrifuge Land application program both liquid and solid Single stage reactor – wants to add on

Decatur, Indiana

 2.6 MGD Average Daily Flow 4,100 lbs/day (2008) 78% VS and 54% TS reduction 26% TS off of the belt press 299 dry tons produced in 2011 Reduced dewatering practices from 3 days/week to 5 days/month Land application at no cost

Maryville, Tennessee

 9.0 MGD Average Design Flow • 16,000 lbs/day (2012) 60% VS and 54% TS reduction 26% TS utilizing a belt press 866 dry tons produced annually Land application program and community give-away program Saving the utility between \$117k and \$324k annually



Marshall, MN

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Product Parameters

Parameter	Concentration
N	2.3 – 5.5 %
P	1.3 – 3.6 %
K	0.5 – 1.0
OM	50 – 60 %
C/N	6 -10 : 1

ThermAer Process Flow

Storage Nit/Denit Reactor

Follows the ThermAer

Storage Nit/Denit Reactor

High end mesophilic (95F) 1 day HRT Nitrification/denitrification (50-95% N) ~ 30% Additional VS Reduction ~10%TS Reduction Provides a wide spot in the line Reduces dewatering chemicals Drier Cake Solids = less in T& D

Time

Flow Quantity (MGD)

Speedway, IN SNDR

Ammonia at the Indy 500

SNDR_BLOWER_SPEED	CURRENT SNDR PD BLOWER SPEED
SNDR_ORP	CURRENT SNDR ORP VALUE
SNDR_pH	CURRENT SNDR pH VALUE
SNDR_TEMP	CURRENT SNDR TEMPERATURE

Current Research

Golf Course fertilizer study

Animal manures

Solar Drier

Conclusions

 Although most facilities surveyed are not yet selling their biosolids product, each has realized significant savings over previous methods of disposal in both hard costs and man hours. As fertilizer costs continue to rise, it will not be unrealistic to assign a value to their biosolids and perhaps even start selling it.

Questions?

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