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Memo to: Mike Price

From: Ron Devitt

Subject: Rainier State School, STP Efficiency Survey

State of  
Washington  
Department  
of Ecology



On November 29, 1972, I conducted a standard efficiency survey on the sewage treatment plant at Rainier State School at Buckley.

Six composites were taken to more effectively evaluate the efficiency of the components, now that the filter seals have been replaced.

It was necessary to composite the influent to each trickling filter because the sludge return line from the chlorine contact chamber, the supernatant return from the digester, and the secondary sludge return enter the influent line to the primary clarifier on the north side.

The data collected for each trickling filter is reported, but the true worth is somewhat questionable. The Lakeside filter (#1) had only been in operation for a couple of weeks. BOD, COD, and solid data indicate that the Lakeside was in a period of active biological development while the Walker filter (#2) was sloughing.

Dye added to the point of chlorination began leaving the chlorine contact chamber after three minutes at a flow of 430 gpm. The chlorine residual was .15 ppm after 15 seconds, and .15 ppm after three minutes. Corresponding high coliform values indicate that insufficient chlorine was being added. Mr. Buck said that it was difficult to regulate the chlorinator properly. It may be more practical and more economical in the long run to install a proportional chlorinator. This would insure proper disinfection without excess chlorine usage during the night time low flows. Increased chlorination gave satisfactory disinfection later in the survey. The hose which transports the chlorine solution is badly deteriorated. A leak in the hose at the contact chamber is corroding the concrete. Arrangements should be made to have this replaced.

The State of Washington Water Pollution Plant Manual 1972 indicates that it would be advantageous to increase the number of routine tests conducted by the operator.

Also Mr. Buck was experiencing some difficulty with his colorimetric pH apparatus. It is my personal experience that occasionally it is impossible to correlate values determined by this method to actual values obtained by a buffered pH meter. I suggested that he try some newer indicator solution. Also there may be a possibility of a chemical interference in the sewage. If he is considering replacing the existing equipment he should be encouraged to purchase a pH meter, this would also be a help in maintaining his digester.

SIP SURVEY REPORT FORM

(EFFICIENCY STUDY)

Rainier State School  
 City at Buckley Plant Type T. Filter Population 2500 Design Capacity  
 Served  
 Receiving Water White River Engineer Mike Price  
 Date 11-29-72 Survey Period 1030-1630 Survey Personnel R. Devitt  
 Comp. Sampling Frequency 1/2 hour Weather Conditions Snow - overcast  
 (last 48 hours)  
 Sampling Alequot GPM X 2

PLANT OPERATION

Total Flow 118,000 gallons in 6 hours How Measured venturi - meter  
 Max. (Flow) 430 GPM Time of Max. 1300 hours Min. 200 GPM Time of Min. 1545  
 Pre Cl<sub>2</sub> \_\_\_\_\_ #/day Post Cl<sub>2</sub> 15 #/day

FIELD RESULTS

Influent

Effluent

Determinations	Influent				Effluent			
	Max.	Min.	Mean	Median	Max.	Min.	Mean	Median
Temp. °C	27	18	23	22.5	19.5	16	18	18.5
pH	8.5	6.2	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.5
Conductivity (umhos/cm)	500	150	280	250	400	340	360	350
Settleable Solids	9.0	4.0	5.7	4.0	.1	.05	.08	.08

LABORATORY RESULTS ON COMPOSITE IN PPM

Laboratory Number	Final		% Reduction
	Influent	Effluent	
	72-4725	72-4726	
5-Day BOD	135	32	76
COD	320	77	76
T.S.	446	263	41
T.N.V.S.	161	165	none
T.S.S.	121	29	76
N.V.S.S.	14	1	92
pH	6.8	7.2	
Conductivity	330	360	
Turbidity	50	10	

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BACTERIOLOGICAL RESULTS

Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> added to sample \_\_\_\_\_ After \_\_\_\_\_ in bottle \_\_\_\_\_ min.

LAB #	SAMPLING TIME	COLONIES/100 MLS (MF)		Cl Residual	
		TOTAL	FECAL	15 sec. ppm	3 min. (after secs)
72 4718	1200	450,000	8,000	.1	.1
72 4719	1330	130,000	1,500	.1	.1
72 4720	1515	200	< 200	.4	>1.0

Operator's Name Allen Buck Phone # 829-1111

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

#1 - Lakeside Filter

	Influent				Effluent			
	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>
T (°C)	22	19.5	21	21	20.5	18	19.3	19.0
pH	7.4	6.4	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.2	6.6	6.6
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	370	250	320	325	380	310	350	350
Settleable Solids (ml/l)	---	---	---	.3	.4	.2	---	---

	<u>Influent</u>	<u>Effluent</u>	<u>% Reduction</u>
BOD	106	31	71
COD	240	110	54
TS	351	283	19
TNVS	173	165	4
TSS	80	40	50
TSNVS	4	7	None
pH	6.9	7.1	--
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	35	15	--
Turbidity	400	340	--

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#2 - Walker Filter

	Influent				Effluent			
	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>
T. (°C)	23.5	20.5	22.2	22	21	18	19.8	20
pH	7.3	6.3	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.2	6.6	6.6
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	400	300	355	350	410	290	360	370
Settleable Solids (ml/l)	----	----	----	.3	.6	.5	----	----

	<u>Influent</u>	<u>Effluent</u>	<u>% Reduction</u>
BOD	129	56	56
COD	280	140	50
TS	288	326	None
TNVS	183	146	20
TSS	73	43	41
TNVS	5	2	60
pH	6.9	7.1	--
Turbidity	35	20	--
Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	410	410	--

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ADMINISTRATION  
SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE  
PRACTICES QUESTIONNAIRE

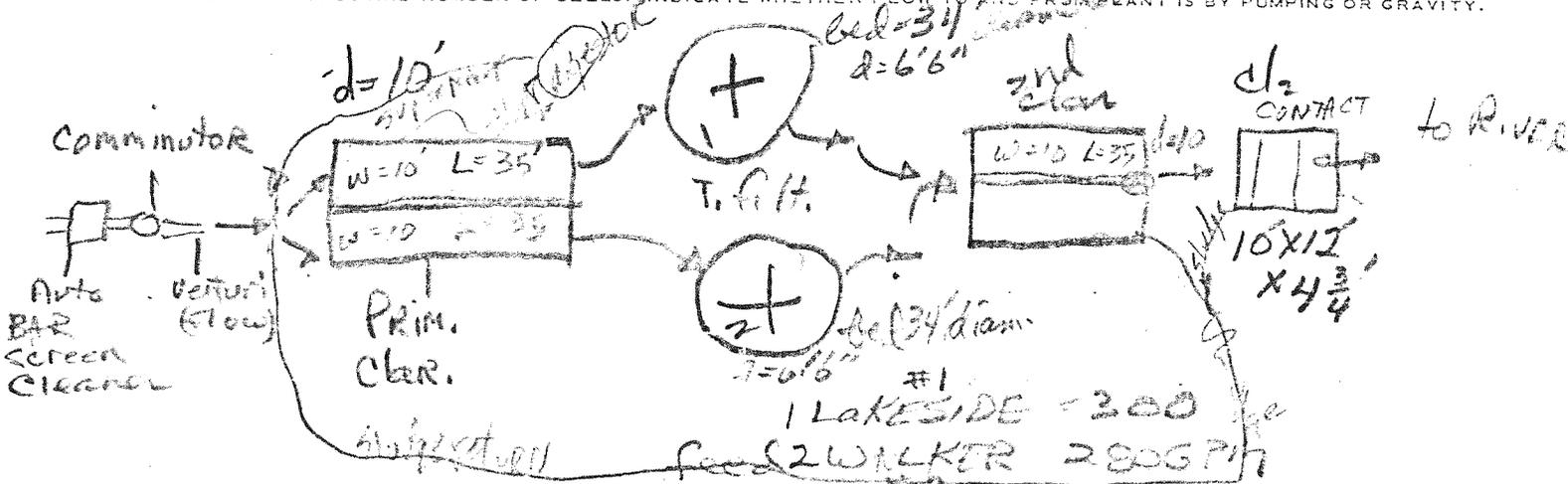
FORM APPROVED  
BUDGET BUREAU NO. 42-R1527

CHECK ONE <input type="checkbox"/> 1ST AUDIT <input type="checkbox"/> RE-AUDIT	DATE OF AUDIT	PLANT DESCRIPTION CODE (For Official Use Only)
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A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. PROJECT (State, Number) <b>RAINIER STATE School</b>		SCOPE OF PROJECT (new plant, additions, etc.) <b>New 1<sup>st</sup> filter, 2nd clar</b>	
2. PLANT LOCATION (City, county) <b>BURLEY - PERCE</b>		IDENTIFICATION OF AREAS SERVED <b>INSTITUTION</b>	
3A. FRACTION OF AREA POPULATION SERVED (%) <b>100%</b>		3B. PLANT DESIGN (population equivalent)	3C. SERVED BY PLANT (domestic) <b>2500</b>
4. TYPE OF COLLECTION SYSTEM			
4A. <input type="checkbox"/> COMBINED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEPARATE <input type="checkbox"/> BOTH		4B. ESTIMATED FLOW CONTRIBUTED BY SURFACE OR GROUND WATER (infiltration, mgd)	
5. YEAR COMMUNITY BEGAN SEWAGE TREATMENT		6. YEAR PRESENT SYSTEM PLACED IN OPERATION	
		6A. SEWER	6B. PLANT <b>1962</b>
6C. ANCILLARY WORKS			
7A. SIZE OF PLANT SITE (acres)		7B. APPROXIMATE AREA LEFT FOR EXPANSION (acres)	

8A. IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW FURNISH A SIMPLIFIED FLOW DIAGRAM OR A WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANT UNITS IN FLOW SEQUENCE. INCLUDE THE METHOD OF ULTIMATE SLUDGE DISPOSAL. SHOW APPROXIMATE SURFACE AREA OF STABILIZATION PONDS AND NUMBER OF CELLS. INDICATE WHETHER FLOW TO AND FROM PLANT IS BY PUMPING OR GRAVITY.



8B. NOTE ANY SIGNIFICANT OR UNIQUE PROCESSING CONDITIONS.

9. RECEIVING STREAM

9A. NAME OF STREAM <b>White (A)</b>			
9B. STREAM FLOW IS		<input type="checkbox"/> INTERSTATE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INTRASTATE <input type="checkbox"/> COASTAL	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PERENNIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> INTERMITTENT	<input type="checkbox"/> NATURAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULATED

B. CURRENT PERFORMANCE AND PLANT LOADING INFORMATION

1A. ANNUAL AVERAGE DAILY FLOW RATE (mgd)	1B. PEAK FLOW RATE (mgd)		1C. MINIMUM FLOW RATE (mgd)
	DRY WEATHER	WET WEATHER	
2. AVERAGE BOD OF RAW SEWAGE (5 DAY 20°C) (ppm)	3. AVERAGE SETTLEABLE SOLIDS OF RAW SEWAGE (DIFF. Conc.) (mg/l)		
4. AVERAGE SUSPENDED SOLIDS OF RAW SEWAGE (mg/l)	5. AVERAGE COLIFORM DENSITY OF RAW SEWAGE (mpn/100 ml)		
6. ANNUAL AVERAGE PLANT REJECTION			
6A. BOD (%)	6B. SETTLEABLE SOLIDS (%)	6C. SUSPENDED SOLIDS (%)	6D. COLIFORM DENSITY (%)

QUALITY

7A. DOES PLANT HAVE STANDBY POWER GENERATOR FOR MAJOR PUMPING FACILITIES?  YES  NO

7B. ADEQUATE ALARM SYSTEM FOR POWER OR EQUIPMENT FAILURES?  YES  NO

8. ARE CHLORINATION FACILITIES PROVIDED?  YES  NO  
IF YES, ANSWER 8A THRU G

IF YES, IS CHLORINATION CONTINUOUS?  YES  NO  
IF NO, EXPLAIN REASON FOR INTERMITTENT CHLORINATION

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8A. PURPOSE OF CHLORINATION

disinfection

8B. TYPE OF CHLORINATOR  
Bullseye Prochlorator (1334)

8C. POINT OF APPLICATION OF CHLORINE  
at 3rd chlorine

8D. CAN BYPASSED SEWAGE BE CHLORINATED?  
 YES  NO

8E. AVERAGE FEED RATE OF CHLORINE (lb/day)  
15

8F. CHLORINE RESIDUAL IN EFFLUENT  
1.5 PPM AT END OF 3 MINUTES at 1200 hrs

8G. MINIMUM SUPPLY OF CHLORINE STORED ON PREMISES (lb)  
150

9. ARE FACILITIES PROVIDED FOR COMPLETE BYPASS OF RAW SEWAGE?  
 YES  NO IF YES, ANSWER A THRU G BELOW, ANSWER H IN EITHER CASE.

9A. FREQUENCY (times monthly)  
0

9B. AVERAGE DURATION (hours)  
—

9C. REASON FOR BYPASSING  
—

9D. ESTIMATED FLOW RATE DURING BYPASS IS  
 WITHIN HYDRAULIC CAPACITY OF PLANT  
 BEYOND HYDRAULIC CAPACITY OF PLANT BY

9E. DOES SEWAGE OVERFLOW IN DRY WEATHER?  
 YES  NO

9F. TYPE OF DIVERSION STRUCTURE

9G. AGENCIES NOTIFIED OF BYPASS ACTION

9H. DO OPERATORS HAVE OPTION TO BYPASS INDIVIDUAL PLANT UNITS? (If no, has this caused any operational problems?)  
 YES  NO

10A. ARE BACK FLOW DEVICES PROVIDED AT ALL CONNECTIONS TO CITY WATER SUPPLY? (If no, explain)  
 YES  NO

10B. CHECK TYPE OF BACK FLOW PREVENTION DEVICE  
 DOUBLE CHECK VALVE  PRESSURE OPERATED  PHYSICAL DISCONNECT  OTHER(specify)

11. USES OF TREATMENT PLANT EFFLUENT  
nothing

12. USES OF RECEIVING STREAM WITHIN 10 MILES OF CUTFALL  
Rec.

13. HAVE THERE BEEN ANY ODOR COMPLAINTS BEYOND THE PLANT PROPERTY? (If yes, explain)  
 YES  NO

14. OBSERVED APPEARANCE AND CONDITION OF EFFLUENT, RECEIVING STREAM, OR DRAINAGE WAY

15. STABILIZATION POND

A. WELDS CUT AND VEGETATIVE GROWTH IN PONDS ELIMINATED?

YES  NO

B. BANKS AND DIKES MAINTAINED (erosion etc.)?

YES  NO

C. FENCING AND "WARNING - POLLUTED WATER" SIGNS PRESENT AND IN GOOD REPAIR?

YES  NO

D. FREQUENCY OF INSPECTION BY OPERATOR

E. WATER DEPTH (feet)

\_\_\_\_\_ HIGH \_\_\_\_\_ LOW \_\_\_\_\_ MEDIUM

F. ADEQUATE CONTROL OF DEPTH?

YES  NO

G. SEEPAGE REPORTED?

YES  NO

H. ANY REPORTS OF GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION FROM POND (If yes, give details)?

YES  NO

I. MOSQUITO BREEDING PROBLEM?

YES  NO

IF YES, NAME OF SPECIES IF KNOWN

J. CAN SURFACE RUN-OFF ENTER POND?

YES  NO

C. SUPERVISORY SERVICES

1. IS A CONSULTING ENGINEER RETAINED OR AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATION ON OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS?

YES  NO IF YES IS IT ON:  CONTINUING BASIS OR  UPON REQUEST BASIS

IF CONTINUING BASIS, WHAT IS THE FREQUENCY OF VISITS:

2. DO OPERATORS AND OTHER PERSONNEL ROUTINELY ATTEND SHORT COURSES, SCHOOLS OR OTHER TRAINING ACTIVITIES?

YES  NO

IF YES, CITE COURSE SPONSOR AND DATE OF LAST COURSE ATTENDED

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IF NO, DO YOU KNOW OF ANY COURSES AVAILABLE TO SERVE THIS AREA?

3A. ARE ALL EQUIPMENT AND PARTS OF THE PRESENT PLANT STILL IN OPERATION?

YES  NO (If no, explain)

B. ARE PROCESSING UNITS OPERATING AT DESIGN EFFICIENCY?

YES  NO (If no, explain)

4. HAVE THERE BEEN ANY DIFFICULTIES WITH THE SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT?

A. STRUCTURAL  YES  NO (If yes explain)

B. MECHANICAL  YES  NO (If yes, explain)

T. Filter 3. MS

C. OPERATIONAL  YES  NO (If yes, explain)

D. BASED ON OPERATING EXPERIENCE TO DATE WHAT IF ANY CHANGES WOULD YOU RECOMMEND TO IMPROVE OPERATION OF THE PLANT?

Larger Cl<sub>2</sub> contact tank



E. LABORATORY CONTROL

Enter test codes opposite appropriate items. If any of the below tests are used to monitor industrial wastes place an "X" in addition to the test code.

CODES

- 1 - 7 or more per week    3 - 1, 2, or 3 per week    5 - 2 or 3 per month    7 - Quarterly    9 - Annually  
 2 - 4, 5 or 6 per week    4 - as required    6 - 1 per month    8 - Semi-Annually

ITEM	RAW	PRIMARY EFFLUENT	FILTERED MIXED LIMB	FINAL	SLUDGE		DIGESTOR	RECEIVING STREAM
					RAW	SUPER-NATANT		
1. BOD								
2. SUSPENDED SOLIDS								
3. SETTLEABLE SOLIDS	2	2	2	2				
4. SUSPENDED VOLATILE								
5. DISSOLVED OXYGEN	2	2	2	2				
6. TOTAL SOLIDS								
7. VOLATILE SOLIDS								
8. pH	2	2	2	2			3	
9. TEMPERATURE	2						2	
10. COLIFORM DENSITY								
11. RESIDUAL CHLORINE				2				
12. VOLATILE ACIDS								
13. M. B. STABILITY								
14. ALKALINITY								
15.								
16.								
17.								
18.								
19.								

F. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COST FOR PLANT

YEAR OF OPERATION	SALARIES/WAGES	ELECTRICITY	CHEMICALS	MAINTENANCE	OTHER ITEMS	TOTAL
MOST CURRENT YEAR 19						
PRIOR YEAR 19						
PRIOR YEAR 19						
PRIOR YEAR 19						

EVALUATION PERFORMED BY	TITLE	ORGANIZATION
RC Devitt	ENVIRONMENTALIST	DOT

INFORMATION FURNISHED BY	TITLE	ORGANIZATION	DATE
Allen Beck	OPERATOR	Rainier School	4-2-9

G. NOTATIONS BY EVALUATOR

1. ADDITIONAL REMARKS (If remarks refer to a particular item, identify by number)

Operator was unable to duplicate my pH values using his colorimetric apparatus.

2. GENERAL COMMENTS ON HOUSEKEEPING AND MAINTENANCE

3. REQUIREMENTS OF HIGHER AUTHORITY

3A. DOES THE PLANT PROVIDE THE DEGREE OF TREATMENT PRESENTLY REQUIRED BY THE STATE? (If no, explain)

YES  NO

3B. ARE THERE ANY PENDING ACTIONS (enforcement conferences, change in water quality standards, etc.) THAT WOULD REQUIRE UPGRADING OF TREATMENT BY THIS PLANT?

YES  NO (If yes, explain)

3C. NUMBER OF STATE INSPECTIONS OF PRESENT PLANT TO DATE.

4. IS ANY FOLLOW-THRU ACTION REQUIRED TO (1) CORRECT DEFICIENCIES IN THE PLANT OR ITS OPERATION OR (2) RESOLVE INDUSTRIAL WASTE PROBLEMS? (If yes, describe required corrective action)  YES  NO

Although they have a new  $Cl_2$  contact chamber, the regulator on the chlorinator is not capable of the adjustment necessary to effectively control disinfection.