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NATIONAL CENTERS FOR SEPARATION AND THERMAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH

NATIONAL FACILITIES SURVEY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This **survey** of publicly and privately owned **laboratories, facilities** and pilot plant equipment in the United States capable of undertaking water research and technology development was initiated by the National Water Research Institute and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. It is the **first** step to developing National Centers for Separation and Thermal Systems Research, where investigators can utilize existing equipment to conduct research.

The mission of the **program** is to facilitate, coordinate and **integrate** national **research** to develop and promote water purification **technology**. The goals of the program are

- . To develop and implement a strategy that will create and cultivate **partnerships** between **Government**, university, and industry that will **facilitate** research and enhance technology **transfer of** research products.
- . To promote the **cost-effective** allocation of financial, human, and facilities resources.
- . To establish and maintain an **information** and data exchange system to improve the coordination between engineering and technology research.

In addition, a key element is the need to develop a technology transfer **strategy**. In today's economic environment, research deliverables or products must have "real world" application if the investment of **resources** is to be perceived as worthwhile. Hence, this initial **survey** is intended to identify those institutions with pilot plant scale equipment, considered the critical link between the laboratory and "real world" application of technology and products.

During the **course** of **the** survey, many institutions were identified with strong backgrounds in water research with bench scale equipment, who are amenable to **cooperative** efforts in water research projects. These are identified in this report.

More than one **hundred** institutions and agencies were contacted in assembling this survey. Due to short time available for the **survey**, it is probable that not all locations with pilot plant equipment were identified. It is the intention of the sponsoring **organizations** that this initial survey serve as a living document to be updated as additional test sites become identified and surveyed. Private sector engineering companies are **manufacturing** companies were also contacted, who have pilot plant equipment available for rental or lease. The sampling of membrane **manufacturing** companies contacted indicates their strong support for the program.

Sites were initially identified through **directories** and **proceedings** identified in References. Others were established through networking with industry colleagues and still others by discussions with principal investigators at already identified research sites. Thirty seven sites with pilot plant equipment were identified which are located in 15 **states**. Seven sites **are** state or **federal** locations. Seventeen are owned by cities or water districts. Eight are maintained by universities.

The extent of **facilities**, equipment and support **services** varied considerably among the surveyed sites. They ranged from a single membrane pressure tube to multiple process **facilities** with **capacity** up to 1 million gallons per day. Several locations were identified which do not have pilot

scale equipment, but possess excellent **facilities** and/or full scale equipment which can easily facilitate pilot plant testing, and are anxious to **participate** in this program.

Many universities were found to have laboratories and bench-scale equipment for water research, but not pilot scale equipment. A few universities were interviewed who previously had pilot scale equipment, but have now abandoned pilot plant testing, and in one case, is now entirely out of the water technology research picture. Although many universities were contacted by either telephone communication, many inquiries **were unanswered**. A short summary is provided for those who provided **information**. Several sites were eliminated due to non-interest or non-reply.

The pilot plant facilities, **laboratory** facilities, and private sector equipment companies listed in this report **represent** 25 **different** states. A total of 66 facilities and companies **are** included in this first national facilities survey. It is anticipated that many others may request inclusion after its publication.

The institutions contacted expressed **overwhelming** support of the Centers concept. Researchers around the United States appear ready and willing to embrace the partnering of universities, private industry, and government.

1.0 BACKGROUND

NATIONAL CENTERS FOR SEPARATION AND THERMAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH

NATIONAL FACILITIES SURVEY

1.0 BACKGROUND

Many communities in the United States and **throughout** the world rely on water supplies containing high levels of dissolved salts, and/or other contaminants that may present health risks. Presently, many desalting and **water** purification processes, which include separation and thermal systems, are too expensive or impractical for general use in alleviating the problems in these water supplies. **There** is presently no united effort to coordinate the research efforts of Government, academia, and industry in order to efficiently advance the science and engineering encompassing the water purification technologies to make them more cost effective and practical. The National Center for **Separation** and Thermal Systems Research would champion this effort.

The mission of the program is to facilitate, coordinate and integrate national research to develop and promote water purification technology.

The goal of the program is

- . To develop and implement a strategy that will **create** and cultivate partnerships between Government, university, and industry that will facilitate research and enhance technology transfer of research products.
- . To promote the cost-effective allocation of financial, human, and **facilities** resources.
- . **To** establish and maintain an **information** and data exchange system to improve the coordination between engineering and technology research.

The National **Centers** for Separation and Thermal Systems Research Concept (see following figure) is predicated upon a joint venture (as **defined** by the Steven-Wylder Technology Transfer Act of 1978, as amended) and **recognizes** that many organizations do not have the singular ability to underwrite the costs of research in today's economic climate. However, by bringing together organizations with mutual interests, a partnership can be fostered whereby cost sharing can enable project to be funded at levels to accomplish what each partner would find difficult to achieve alone. In addition, utilization of existing facilities can be optimized by coordinating their availability to the wider research community.

Principal partners in the National Centers concept are the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and the National Water Research Institute (**NWRI**). Further, the concept envisions three levels of associate partners: governments, universities, and industry. The Government partners, e.g. **Environmenta**l Protection Agency, National Institute of Standards and Technology, National Institutes of Health, as well as the university and industry **partners** will all be contributing members to the Centers.

A key element within this concept is the need to develop a technology **transfer** strategy. In today's economic environment research deliverables or products must have "real world" application if the investment of resources is to be perceived as worthwhile.

It is envisioned that a number of Centers could be established throughout the country and **made available** to the partners. As examples:

- . Reclamation has two facilities, one in Denver, Colorado, **and** another in **Yuma**, Arizona, which could contribute small- and **large-scale** pilot testing research, operational, and field testing capabilities.
- . Orange **County** Water District's facility, Water Factory 2 1, would be made available as well as its research, testing, and **operational** capabilities.

This is an extremely important moment in the history of our Nation's research **programs**. A decisive step is required to redesign the manner in which national research is **carried** out in order to maintain the quality of the **past**. The concept of National Centers is not new, but joint venture partnerships can provide a viable alternative to single source **funding**.

There are significant benefits and values of the National Centers **Concept**:

- . Advancement of science and engineering
- . **Shared resources**
- . **Enhanced** technology transfer
- . Shared **information** and data
- . Avoidance of duplicate research

The **preliminary** strategy to accomplish these goals:

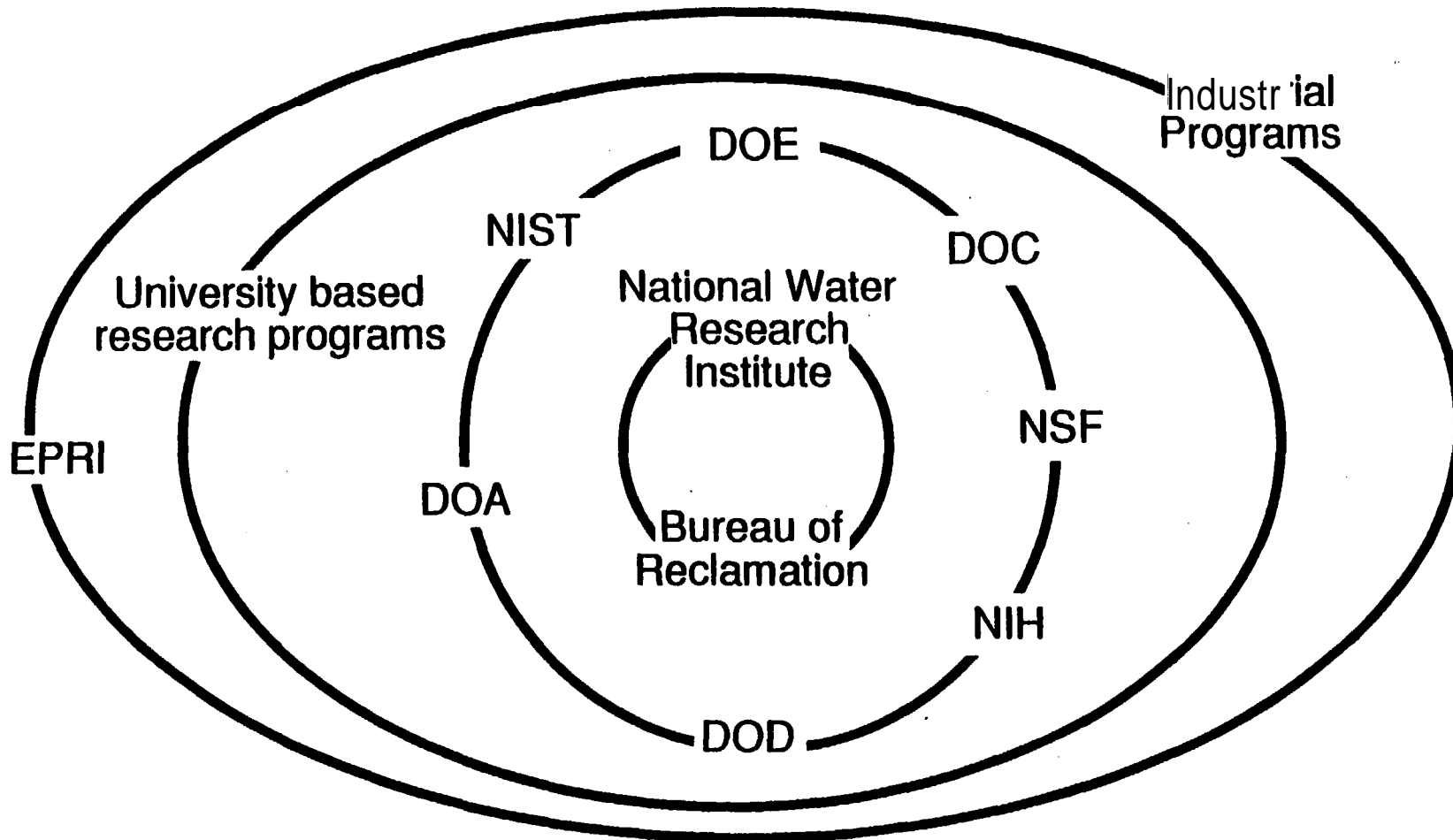
- . Undertake a national inventory of current and projected facilities, personnel, and financial resources involved in **separation** and thermal systems **research**.
- . Identify and organize a consortium of partners (investors) to cost share in the development of the National Centers' program
- . Identify and describe the set of current and projected national needs.
- . Develop a financial strategy based upon the principles of asset allocation including selection criteria and methodologies.
- . Design a methodology to track, measure, and document accomplishments on a regular basis.

The following report is the first **step** in accomplishing these goals.

This is a program of the National Water Research Institute in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. It is an outgrowth of the Membrane Research **and** Development cooperative **program** between NWRI and BOR. The program was the result of reflection on the history of desalting in the United States. No major **breakthroughs** have occurred since the mid- to late-1970's, when thin **film** composite membranes became commercially available.

The Centers concept is an important step to bring together universities, industry, and federal agencies, to concentrate on common goals. Bringing diverse sources of funding together and encouraging the use of **under** utilized existing facilities will foster the initiation of significant **water-**related research and development

NATIONAL CENTERS FOR SEPARATION AND THERMAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH



2.0 PILOT PLANT FACILITIES

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The primary focus of this **survey** was to inventory those sites where **publicly** and privately owned **laboratories, facilities** and pilot plant scale equipment are available. This section **describes** those locations where pilot scale equipment is available for research purposes. The equipment, facilities, and research support services available at the sites listed in this section varied widely, from a single 4" membrane element pressure vessel with little research support to a large **facility** with multiple processes which can be **operated** singly or in any combination, with complete analytical **laboratories** and research staff support.

Most **facilities demurred** on the **question** of cost of facilities and services, as they would prefer to negotiate those costs on a case by case basis. Note that **three** of the facilities listed in this section are not currently in the possession of pilot plant equipment, but have conducted pilot plant tests in the past and have offered their facilities and services for pilot plant testing.

The sites are listed by state. A summary of the facilities by ownership can be found in the Appendix as Tables 7 **through** 10. The summary provides a quick **reference** to **the** type of processes which can be found at the **facility**, and an approximation of cost of equipment and/or facilities, where information was provided.

ARIZONA

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE

Water Resources Department
Scottsdale, Arizona

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The City of Scottsdale recently purchased two pilot plants to further study microfiltration and **ultrafiltration** prior to construction of their wastewater **treatment** facilities. The pilot plants will be utilized for their own research purposes for some unspecified period of time. At some point in the **future**, the pilot plant equipment may be available for further research and development. The city has indicated their interest in **future** research and in the National Centers program.

ARIZONA

US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

**Research Center at Yuma Desalting Plant
P.O. Box D
Yuma, Arizona 85366**

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Fax: 602-343-8320

In addition to water desalination research and development in their Denver **laboratories** since the late **1950's**, the BOR has engaged in research at **Yuma**, Arizona in conjunction with the design, construction, and operation of their **72** mgd reverse osmosis desalting facility. The Yuma desalting plant is the largest single reverse osmosis facility in the world

The research activities investigated most effective pretreatment methods, proper long-term storage **procedures**, among other subjects directly related to the main facility. More recently a successful **program** was carried out to determine the cause of "front-end" deterioration of cellulose acetate membrane elements. The likely cause was found, a remedy was established, and a potential major problem was diverted.

The research building houses a reverse osmosis system and supporting pm-treatment capable of producing 1 mgd of product (proof test unit). The pm-treatment in place **consists** of a solids contact reactor, dual media gravity filters, and chemical feed equipment. Supporting equipment is in place to check single membrane elements Three additional test units are available which utilize **2-1/2"** diameter membrane elements, which allow pilot scale testing with less membrane area

The proof test units are well controlled and instrumented, The building has a separate operations room and laboratory. Sufficient clear space is available for additional small pilot scale plants if other equipment is needed to augment existing equipment

Office space and a state-of-the-art water laboratory and experienced staff are available in the main operations building. YDP operations and data collection are performed by a central computer system called the Programmable Master Supervisory Control system and consists of two MODCOMP 9250 computers with 29 remote **terminal** units.

The YDP research staff has successfully conducted studies in optimizing recovery, **trihalomethane** removal, membrane life studies, membrane drying, instrumentation development and evaluation, and have developed a handbook for autopsying membranes (destructive testing to **determine** extent of and types of fouling, and determination of membrane condition). The staff consists of researchers, engineers, operators, and maintenance workers who **are familiar** with desalting technology.

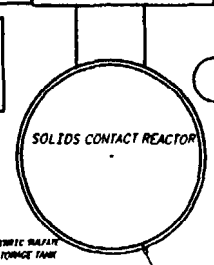
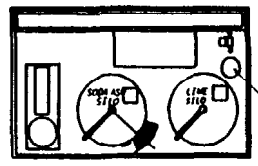
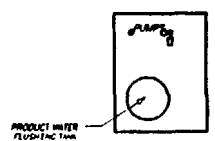
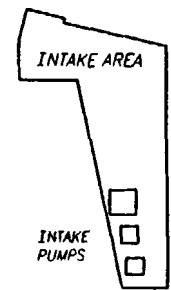
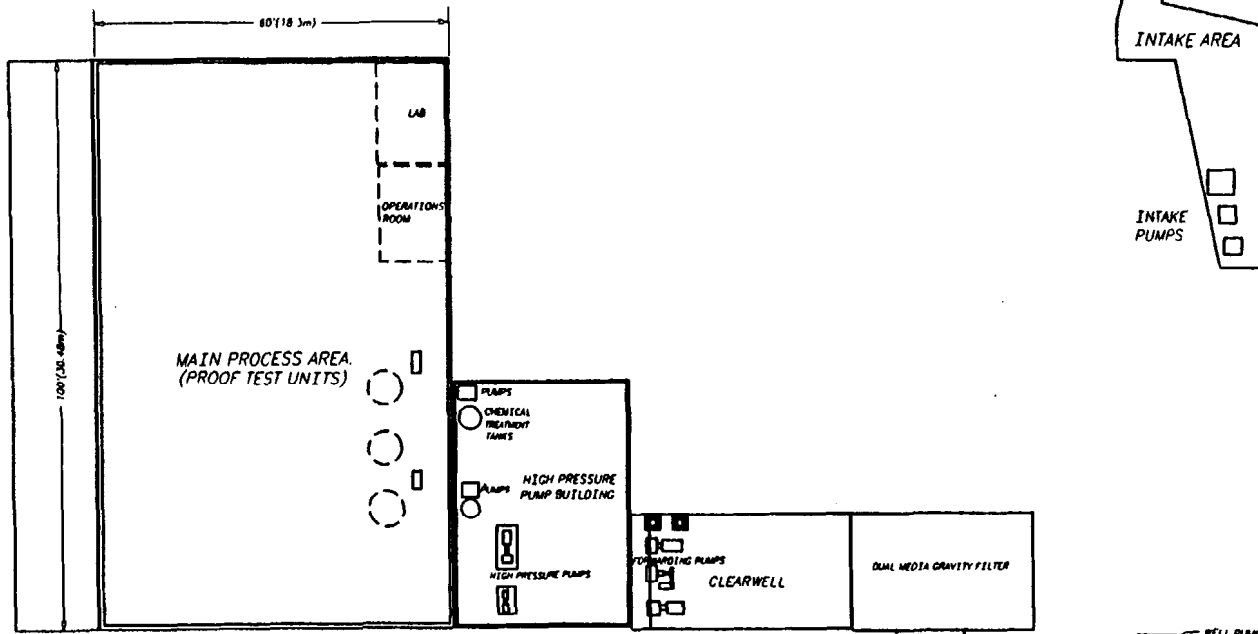
In additional to the traditional **infrastructure** features (intake/discharge, etc.), extensive services exist including welding and machine shops.

The YDP and research facility are available for joint research and development projects to further the desalination state-of-the-art, water quality technology, and commercialization of related products.

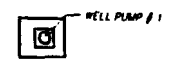
The cost of facilities and **services** are determined after examining the needs of the research project. A cooperative research agreement is established on this basis.

Table 1. BOR Yuma Desalting Plant Pilot Facilities

CENTER:	US BUKEAU OF RECLAMATION					
LOCATION:	Yuma, Arizona					
FEED STREAMS:	Irrigation return flow, tapwater, synthetic solutions					
PROCESS:	Reverse	Dual Media	Solids	Clearwell	Element	Test
	Osmosis	Gravity	Contact		Check	Units
		Filters	Reactor		Apparatus	
No. of systems	1	1	1	1	1	3
Avg feed flow, gpm	494	903	903		60	
Pressure, psi	450				450	450
size, gallons				60000		
No of stages	2				1	2
Elements per stage					1	
Recovery, %						
Element type:	8.5", 12"				8.5", 12" 2.5"	
CONTROL SYSTEM:	24 hour a day operation. Automated control.					



32" DIAMETER (8.13m)
FLOWRATE = 540 GPM (331 l/s)



ALWAYS THINK SAFETY

YUMA DESALTING PLANT

TEST FACILITY

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ARLINGTON DESALTING PLANT

Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority
11615 Sterling Avenue
Riverside, CA

Administrator: Neil Cline, G.M.
Telephone: 909-785-5411 **Fax: 909-785-7076**

The Arlington Desalting Plant is owned by the Santa AM Watershed Project Authority. It operates a 6 mgd reverse osmosis desalter, with the **ccocentrate** disposed to the Santa AM Regional Interceptor, which conveys wastes to the Change County **Sanitary District** for treatment and ocean disposal. The plant utilizes brackish groundwater with micron **filtration** and was installed to reduce the level of nitrates in the **groundwater**.

Sufficient space is available on-site for conduct of pilot plant testing with telephone and fax available. Although the availability of on-site research support is uncertain at this time, office space is available.

Previous pilot plant studies have been carried out at the plant, including one with a new **electrodialysis** membrane. The **general** manager has been a long time proponent of technological advancement and would welcome additional research efforts. The cost of facilities is negotiable and institutions or companies wishing to engage in R&D would be expected to assume any costs incurred by **SAWPA** in support of the R&D **effort**.

The site would provide a good test site with supportive management.

CALIFORNIA

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

**2200 Center Street
Cambria, California**

Administrator: David Andres

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The **Cambria** Community **Services** District is currently constructing a 1 mgd seawater reverse osmosis **facility**. Alternative phases 2 and 3 will consider **groundwater** recharge with effluent recovery using brackish water reverse osmosis. The brackish water reverse osmosis system is rated at 10 gpm with Signet instrumentation and controls. The district has a moderate **laboratory** facility, and its equipment is in good condition.

Brackish water, seawater and wastewater effluent **are** available, which **makes** this **facility** versatile. PC computer facilities are available along with telephone, and **fax**. Direct research staff availability is **doubtful**, but supervision and **facility** caretakers and maintenance are available.

The district has a licensed, experienced staff. Office space is not available and the cost for facilities and **services** must be **negotiated with the district**.

CALIFORNIA

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

**Liquid Waste Management Division
Terminal Island Treatment Plant
445 Terminal Way
San Pedro, California 90731**

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The Terminal Island Treatment Plant lacks existing pilot plant equipment, but has excellent facilities available to accommodate pilot plant testing. Connections exist for electrical, water and other utilities. The plant has an existing concrete pad, **30' x 60'**, pumps, and other equipment which can be borrowed **from current** research projects at other plants. The **facilities** will be made available as finances will allow and with management **approval**.

Supporting instrumentation and analytical equipment includes: on-line evaluation with **Nissin Electric BOD-2000**, on-line **Alka-Pro** multi-line alkalinity analyzer, **Respirometer** to determine BOD and toxicity, particle counter, **turbidimeters**, flow meters, **Hach** kits, fluorometer, samplers, in-plant laboratory (wet chemistry, microbiology, TOC).

All equipment is in **fair** conditions and wastewater and wastewater effluent are **readily** available as feedsource. **Other feedstreams** can be accommodated. **PC** computer facilities are utilized and communications include phone and **fax**.

Research support is available **including supervision**, staff, **caretakers** and maintenance. Limited office space is available. The daily rate for facilities is negotiable and support **services** may be available at cost, including standard overhead

CALIFORNIA

CITY OF SAN DIEGO

**San Pasqual Aquatic Treatment Facility (Aqua III)
Department of Water Utilities
14103 Highland Valley Road
San Diego, California 92128**

**Administrator: Mr. Paul Gagliardo
Telephone: 619-668-2072 Fax: 619-668-2062**

The City of San Diego has been active in the development of processes for wastewater reclamation since **the** late 1960's when a tubular reverse osmosis system was installed at Point **Loma** Wastewater Treatment Plant for treatment of **raw** sewage. Through the years, other processes such as **ultrafiltration** and water hyacinths have been examined. A small facility was built in Mission **Valley** (Aqua II) to demonstrate the applicability of water hyacinths as a natural secondary wastewater treatment process prior to use of reverse osmosis.

After successful operation in Mission Valley, a new, larger facility was built in the San Pasqual area, on Highland Valley Road in **north** San Diego (Aqua III). The equipment from Aqua II was moved to the new site to accommodate additional research to support the new Aqua III facility. It has not been operated since being moved to the new site. Some **refurbishment** would be required to attain good operating condition, but all equipment is in **fair** to good condition.

The pilot plant equipment is designed to produce 1 mgd and includes clarification, dual media filtration, ultraviolet, **reverse** osmosis, **granular** activated carbon, air stripping. The existing membranes are thin film composites, but require replacement. A cleaning skid is also available on -site. The equipment is installed on a concrete pad with a protective roof. Additional pilot skids could be moved on site for testing.

The site provides an excellent opportunity to perform R&D using residential wastewater. Raw, secondary and tertiary effluent are available on site.

The City is willing to **make** electricity and space available for R&D, as long as it does not interfere with ongoing activities. Laboratory and limited office facilities are available. PC computers are on site and some supervision is available. Facility caretakers and maintenance are available on site. Telephone, facsimile, e-mail **are** available.

No specific charges have **been** established for use of the facility. The City would probably **not** charge for electricity and space as long as the research does not encroach upon daily requirements of existing **staff**. They would consider exchange of facilities for data acquisition depending upon **the** circumstances.

CALIFORNIA

CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

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The City and County of San Francisco owns a 30 gpm reverse osmosis pilot plant and a 30 gpm **microfiltration** pilot plant at their Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant. The are fed with **chlorinated/dechlorinated** secondary effluent. Instrumentation, controls, and analytical equipment include **chlorine** analyzers, turbidimeters, programmable logic controllers **for both MF and RO**, **pH** analyzers, and reverse osmosis software. Computer facilities for both **PC** and MAC are available. All equipment is in good condition.

Communications include telephone and fax. Research support is available with staff support, supervision, **facility caretakers** and maintenance. Both environmental and mechanical engineers are available on-site. Office space is available. Use and cost of facilities must be negotiated with the City and County of San Francisco.

CALIFORNIA

CONTRA COSTA WATER DISTRICT

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The Contra Costa Water District has a **modular** pilot plant which is a scaled down version of their existing plant and is located adjacent to the main plant. It is a dual **train** system capable of 9 gpm through each **train** through the flocculation step. **Thereafter** it is reduced somewhat. It also contains a full scale sedimentation section. The dual **train** was established to **facilitate** parallel **studies**. For example, studies **were** conducted comparing alum and ferric hydroxide **treatment**. Granular activated carbon filters **are** available as well as ozonation.

The water district is amenable to establishing collaborative research programs with their staff and facilities representing in-kind contributions to the cost of the research **program**. Their own overhead rates **are** about 30%.

CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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The California DWR maintains a **small** test **facility** at their Adams Avenue site in conjunction with Fresno State University. A **small** volume (10-15 gpm) of **agricultural** drain water of about 10,000 ppm is available for testing. Several small (2 gpm) reactors are **available** for conducting tests. They are two **upflow**, fluidized bed reactors. They were designed to investigate the **reduction/removal** of selenium from agricultural drainage.

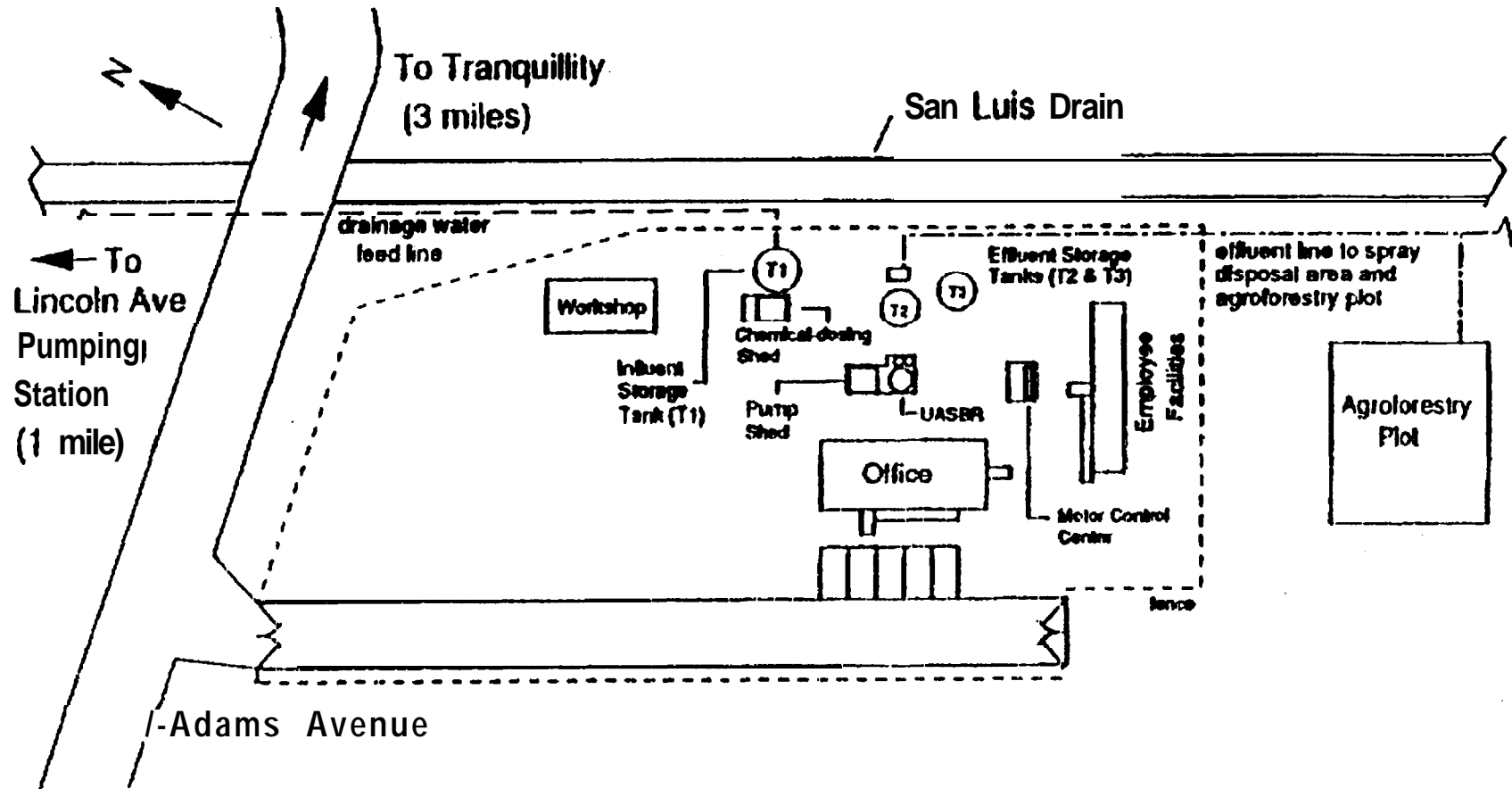
The **facility** would be made available for a nominal cost, probably direct cost of utilities. If research staff assistance is required, graduate students from **Fresno** State University could be made available at direct cost plus 25 % overhead DWR staff assistance would be at no charge unless a specific task was required **Office** space is **available** in the trailer provided at the test **facility**.

Although the test facility at Los Banos has been closed and is being dismantled, a vapor compression evaporator **rated** at 50,000 gpd is available at nominal **cost**. Originally purchased at a cost of **\$600,000** plus installation, the plant may require tube replacement and would require moving from the **premises**. The DWR is anxious to **cooperate** in order to facilitate its use in **further** research efforts.

The **electrodialysis** reversal unit installed at Los Banos is also available, but the wear and tear from exposure to the elements probably make **refurbishment** more costly than a new pilot plant.

Also available **from** DWR are a 1,100 gallon clarifier and a 10 kw Rankine cycle engine.

Figure 3. Adams Avenue Test Facility Layout - California DWH



CALIFORNIA

IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

Organic Removal Pilot Facility
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Santa Ana, California 92704

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The Irvine Ranch Water **District** established a water research test facility at a site with access to a highly colored groundwater aquifer, the Dyer Road Well Field The Organic Removal Pilot Facility was **designed** and constructed in 1992 to examine the feasibility of turning this **highly**-colored groundwater into high quality potable water. The facilities are comprised of the following unit processes:

- . Conventional ozonation
- . In-line **ozonation**
- . **Membrane separation**
- . Granular activated carbon adsorption
- . Biological activated carbon **filtration**
- . **clarification**
- . **Deep-bed filtration**

The process **characteristics** and description are summarized in the following table. Pre-treatment for the membrane section is by cartridge **filter**, acid and/or **anti-scalant** addition. Post-treatment is by **ozonation** and chemical addition. A skid mounted unit is available for membrane cleaning.

On-line continuous monitoring of low rate, color, **turbidity, pH**, electrical conductivity, temperature, ozone residual, percent ozone, and pressure levels **from** multiple sample locations is **provided**. The **control** system is comprised of a **Modicon 984-685** PLC that collects instrumentation signals and a PC operating with **Wonderware In-Touch Operator Interface Package** and Microsoft Excel. The system has three functions: data acquisition, displays of all current values, and datalogging every 10 minutes into a mater spreadsheet and optionally logged at **desired frequencies** into three other spreadsheets.

Analytical equipment includes: **Amicon UF separation**, UVMS HP **spectrophotometer**, Cole **Parmer pH** meter, HF Sci. **Turbidimeter, alkalinity**, hardness, dissolved oxygen and **ozone** kits, Silt Density Index kit.

In addition to two groundwater sources, wastewater effluent and other **feedstreams** are possible. Telephone and facsimile **are** available on site for communication and PC computers are available. Limited office space is available and excellent support staff are present, including process engineers, **full service laboratory** staff, and **supervisory** engineers. Special disciplines include advanced water and wastewater treatment, environmental engineering, microbial and biologic sciences, regulatory compliance, project management.

The study of colored groundwater treatment **was** conducted with a **grant from** the Nation@ Water Research **Institute**¹.

¹Thompson, K., et al, "A Membrane Pilot Study on Highly Colored Groundwater in Southern California," Irvine Ranch Water District, 1993.

Table 2. Irvine Ranch Water District DRWF Pilot Plant Equipment						
CENTER:	IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT					
LOCATION:	IRVINE, CALIFORNIA					
FEED STREAMS:	High color brackish water, low color brackish water					
PROCESS:	Ozonation	GAC absorption	In-line ozonation	Conventional Clarification	Deep-bed Filtration	Membrane Filtration
No. of systems	2	4	1	1	6	1
Avg feed flow, gpm	7.8	0.18-0.71	40	40	0.35-1.05	20
Avg ozone dosage, mg/l	8		8			
Avg ozone usage, lb/d	0.75		3.84			
Process type	Bubble diffusion		In-line eductor	Roberts Reliant 60		
Maximum filtration rate, gpm/ft ²				5	8	
Dimensions,	8"dx16'h	4"dx20'h	16"dx16'h		4"dx20'h	
Media type					mono/dual	
Media depth, ft		3-8				
Detention time, min	4		3.6			
Material	acrylic/PVC	clear PVC	PVC		PVC	
Diffuser	ceramic disk					
Avg alum dose, mg/l				25		
Avg polymer dose, mg/l				2		
Avg PAC dose, mg/l				20		
No of stages						2
Elements per stage						3
Recovery, %						75
Membrane type:						spiral w/nt

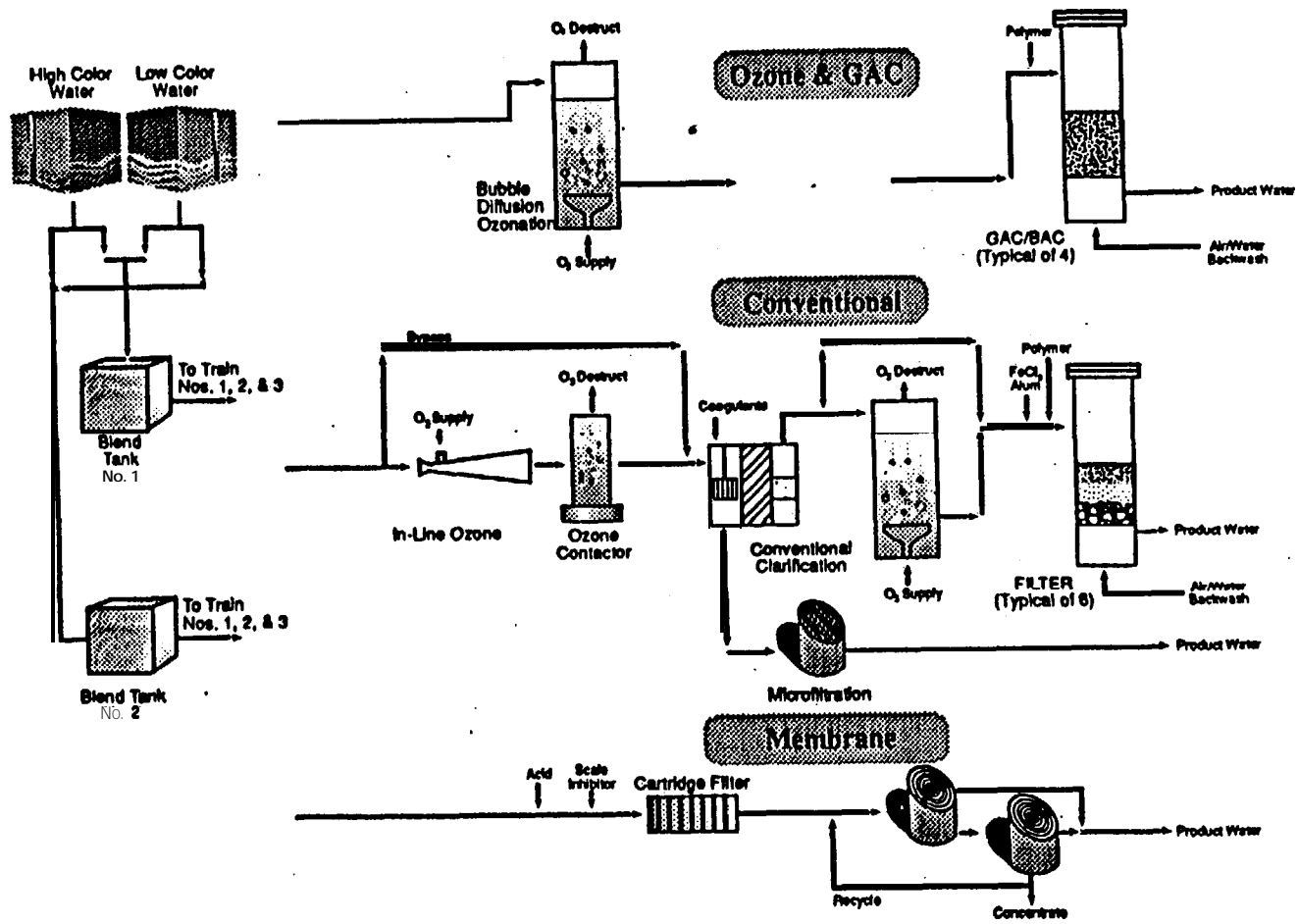


Figure 4. Organic Removal Pilot Testing Equipment. IRWD



Figure 5. Photograph: Process Treatment Trains.-IRWD

CALIFORNIA

METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

La Verne Water Treatment Plant
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La Verne, California 91750

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At their La **Verne facility** the Metropolitan Water District maintains pilot plant membrane equipment for testing. They have a single element **membrane** test unit, capable of 350 psi, which will test single membranes, producing approximately 2 gpm product. They also have a mobile reverse osmosis test unit capable of operation to 1200 psi for brackish water testing. Current membranes on hand include **nanofiltration** and **ultrafiltration**. Reverse osmosis tests **are** planned later. Feed sources planned for use are brackish water, State Project water and Colorado River water. The equipment will be in excellent condition, as the test unit is scheduled for completion in October, 1994 and the mobile unit completed by January 1994.

The mobile unit contains conventional 5 **micron** cartridge **filtration** with chemical cleaning. Process instrumentation includes flowmeters, chlorine analyzer, conductance meter, turbidimeter, pressure gages. Analytical equipment includes chlorine analyzer, turbidimeter, conductance meter and **pH** meter.

Both **PC** and **MAC** computers **are** available. Office space is available. **Research** support is available with two associate engineers, one assistant engineer, one engineering technician as well as senior and associate engineers for supervision. Facility and equipment are maintained by staff technicians. All of the staff members have extensive water treatment backgrounds with some having additional **background** in membrane processes.

Telephone, facsimile and e-mail **services** are on-site. Charges for facilities and services are negotiable.

CALIFORNIA

ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT WATER FACTORY 21

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Water Factory 21, owned and **operated** by the **Orange** County Water District has become the premier advanced wastewater **treatment facility** in the United States. The District has consistently been on the leading edge of technology in finding **improved** methods for water reclamation. Through a pro-active strategy with regulators and legislators, they **were** the first to obtain a permit for direct injection of reclaimed water into groundwater aquifers. Their concept of injecting reclaimed water into barrier wells to prevent the intrusion of seawater has **served** as a model throughout the Los Angeles basin.

WF 21 is a 15 mgd advanced wastewater treatment **facility incorporating** a 5 mgd reverse osmosis **plant, featuring extensive** membrane testing, and evaluation facilities, a state certified analytical **laboratory**, and a Biotechnology Research Department with active research **programs** in **bacterial** attachment and **biofilm** formation on **separations** membranes.

Reverse osmosis, **ultrafiltration, nanofiltration, microfiltration**, vacuum distillation, ozonation, and filtration process **are** available in pilot plant size. Flow capacities for these processes range **from** 1 to 500 gpm. Cellulose acetate, polyamide, and experimental polymers are available for research testing. In addition. alternative flow spacer designs and module configurations are on hand.

Supporting equipment includes **high-pH** lime clarification, disinfection (**UV, O₃, Cl₂**), microfiltration, multi-media **filtration**. Cleaning skids are available for membrane cleaning and disinfection. A complete state certified analytical **laboratory** is on site to support the 15 mgd AWT plant and the research activity. A **separate** Biotechnology Research department is established **on-site** which is described on a **separate** page.

A variety of feed streams are available including **brackish** water (well), seawater (limited quantity), wastewater, wastewater effluent, groundwater. Concentrates are disposed via city sewer. The Orange County Wastewater Treatment Plant is next **door**.

Excellent computer **facilities** are available including PCs. The equipment on-site is all in excellent condition and is well maintained. The **facility** is serviced by 3 shifts of **the** operations and maintenance department Supervision is available, but limited. The Biotechnology Research Group provides exceptional capabilities. Office space is limited.

The cost for use of facilities is essentially the cost of expendable supplies (chemicals, power, etc.) and the salaries of personnel utilized for the **research** plus expendable supplies. No overhead costs are anticipated for **research** at OCWD.

CALIFORNIA

ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, continued

Biotechnology Research Department Facilities
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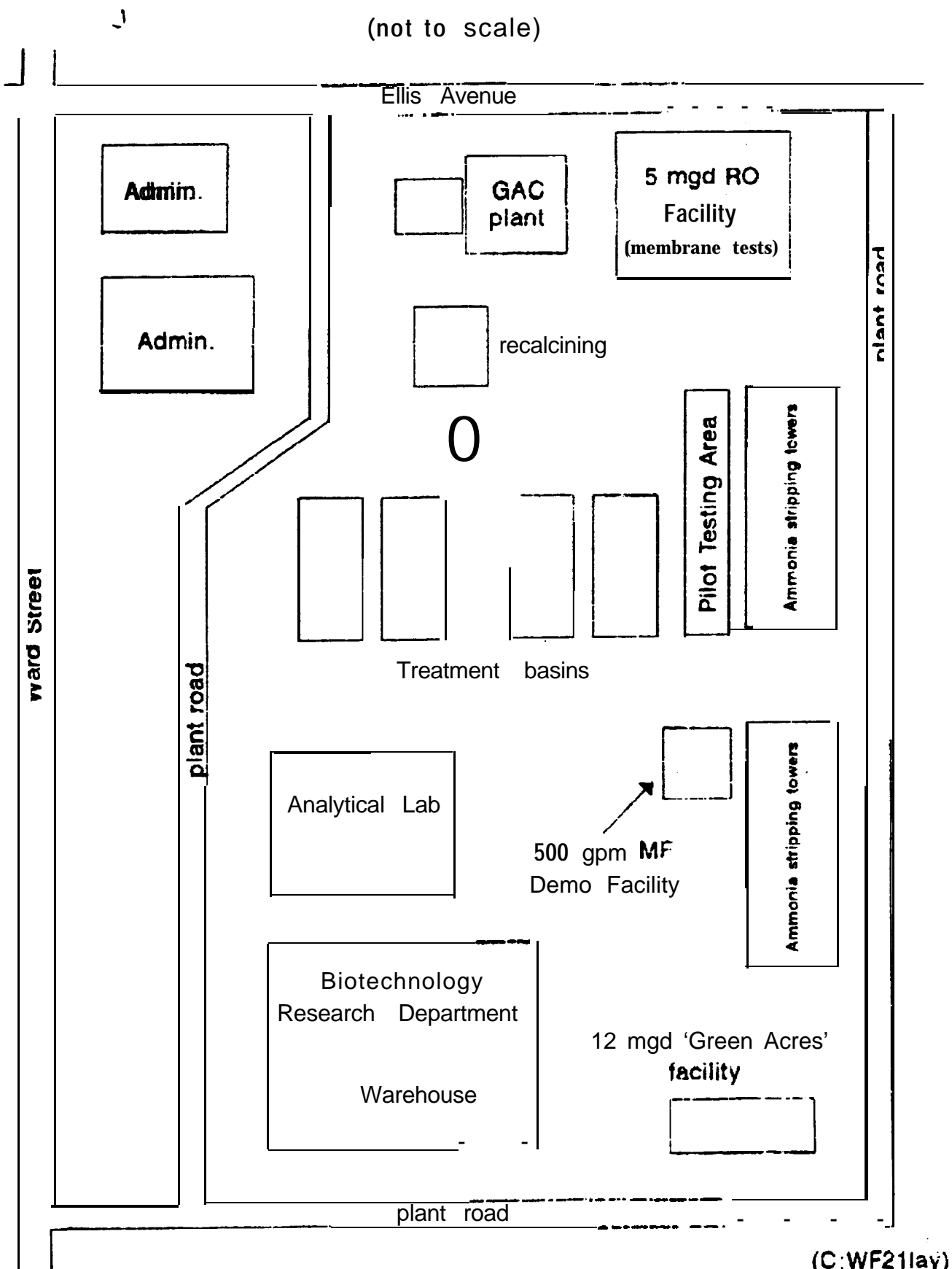
Administrator: Dr. Harry F. Ridgway, Director
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Several **research** and development **programs** related to membrane separations are currently **underway** within the Biotechnology Research Department. **These** programs include (1) studies on the identification and analysis of chemical biocides fix retarding biological fouling of membranes, (2) analysis of biocide **penetration** and transport in membrane **biofilms**, and (3) investigation of the mechanism of **bacterial** attachment and **biofilm** growth in membrane systems.

The Department is a state-of-the-art facility designed to meet the needs of scientists and engineers engaged in fundamental and applied studies related to water treatment and groundwater management. Analytical capabilities within the **Department** include digital **confocal microscopy** coupled with 3D specimen **reconstruction/manipulation**, conventional **epifluorescence** light microscopy, attenuated total reflection Fourier transform **infrared spectrometry**, electronic particle distribution analysis, ion chromatography, total organic carbon and organohalide analysis, **spectrofluorometry**, digital image processing and analysis, protein and nucleic acid **electrophoretic** separations, **ultracentrifugation**, performing gene probing and other molecular genetic techniques. Electron microscopy may be **performed** in the **Department** of Biology, University of **California, Irvine**, located approximately 10 minutes. from **OCWD**.

Approximately 15 scientific and technical personnel comprise the Biotechnology Research Department. Education backgrounds range from the bachelors to the **doctoral** in microbiology and chemical engineering.

Figure 6. Water Factory 21 Facilities Layout. OCWD



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CALIFORNIA

PADRE DAM MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

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The Padre Dam Municipal Water District currently owns a 4 mgd secondary plant (of which 1 mgd is currently utilized), followed by **oxidation** pond effluent polishing. They are proposing to build a 2 mgd "**Bardenpho**" process with denitrification filters, phosphorous precipitation, chlorine contact, **with** dechlorination with sulfur **dioxide**.

The facility has two concrete tanks available, concrete pads, and a control/office building. A basic water and **wastewater** laboratory conducts all of the analysis required on-site. The equipment is in fair **condition**. Both wastewater and **wastewater** effluent **are** available as feed sources.

Telephone, fax, and e-mail communications are available. Research support may be available, but **certainly** supervision and facilities **caretakers** and maintenance are available. **Office** space is available. Facilities and **services** cost is negotiable.

CALIFORNIA

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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The Santa Clara Valley Water District conducted pilot plant tests at their Los Gatos pumping plant to **determine viability** of using ozone for disinfection. This was done to **determine** the future direction to meet DBP regulations.

The pilot scale equipment includes a 3 train ozonation system with an output of 0.5 lb/day. The modular sections **are** capable of accommodating 4 gpm per train. The trains can be assembled in parallel or in series.

Since their primary tests were **completed**, 3 or 4 additional tests have been conducted there as part of AWWARF projects.

The equipment is available at the pumping plant for additional testing, with costs to be negotiated with the interested parties.

CALIFORNIA

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - LOS ANGELES

**Lake Arrowhead Community Services District Facility
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The University of **California** at Los **Angeles**, Department of Civil **Engineering**, owns and operates a fully equipped pilot plant for reclaiming municipal secondary effluent. The Treatment processes include denitrification, clarification, f&ration, carbon adsorption, ozonation (10,000 gpd), **ultrafiltration** (4500 gpd) and reverse osmosis (3000 gpd).

The equipment is instrumented and controlled with **G.E.** Fanuc automation featuring programmable logic controllers. Analytical equipment includes **GC/MS**, IC, AA, Visible spectrum UV **spectrophotometry**, biological testing. Equipment is in excellent condition and the site **features** wastewater effluent.

Both PC and MAC computer facilities are available with telephone and **facsimile** communication. The university can offer their research support and office space is available. The cost for these **facilities** has not yet been determined.

CALIFORNIA

US NAVY

NAVAL FACILITIES ENGINEERING SERVICE CENTER
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The seawater desalination test **facility** at **Port** Hueneme is an excellent test bed for pilot plants, membranes and pretreatment. They consider themselves one of the premier sites for **conduct** of long term testing, stressing "real world" conditions. About 15 percent of their testing at the present **time is done** for private **companies**.

The seawater intake is an underwater pipe which reaches out only 15 feet from the shoreline and lies about 12 feet deep. **In** spite of this nearness to shore, little variation in TDS is noted. The main seawater intake pump is capable of delivering 300 gpm (432,000 gpd). This site produces **real** world situations throughout the year, **including** the worst case condition of "red tide" which occurs once or twice a year for one or two weeks duration.

Virtually all of the units on hand are US Army Reverse Osmosis Water **Purification** Units (ROWPU). At the present time two of them are being operated in parallel for a test. Ten additional **ROWPUs** are available. All of the units are modified slightly to allow safe 24 hours a day unattended operation. Each unit comes packaged with its own **operational** controls and **safeguards**.

The facility has a permit to recombine the product with the brine and discharge back into the ocean. A complete water analysis laboratory is located on the premises, equipped with most of the standard **analytical instrumentation**.

One of the ongoing tests is a long term test of reverse osmosis membrane preservatives. A series of tests for the US Army is planned in the **near future to test various methods for pre-treating prior** to reverse osmosis.

The facility is flexible in developing a working relationship with outside parties. They are amenable to providing only space, electricity, feed stream, and monitoring personnel to **companies** desiring to bring in their own complete units. Most agreements for testing are a combination of daily charge for the ROWPU, electrical charges, machinery charges for maintenance as required, and personnel time.

CENTER:	US NAVY CIVIL ENGINEERING LABORATORY								
LOCATION:	Port Huene, California								
FEEDSTREAMS:	Seawater								
PROCESS:	Reverse	Reverse	Cartridge	Single Element	Dual Element	Multi-media	Cartridge		
	Osmosis (a)	Osmosis (a)	Filter Test	Test Stand	Test Stand	Filtration	Filtration		
	1200 gph	600 gph							
No. of systems	2	10	1	1	1	1	2	1	several
Avg feed flow, gpm	20	10		24	44				
Dimensions,						30"d			
Media type						varied			
No of stages	1	1		1	2				
Elements per stage	9	9	1	1	6		12	3	1
Recovery, %	30	30		30	30				
Element type:	6"x40" TFC	6"x40" TFC	10"	6"x40"			40"	20"	10", 20"
CONTROL SYSTEM:	24 hour a day operation.								
	Automatic shutdown on hi/lo pressure.								
	(a) Each ROWPU is skid mounted and packaged with a multi-media filter and cartridge filter which matches the throughput of the RO unit.								

Table 3. US Navy CEL Pilot Plant Equipment

Table 4. US Navv CEL Laboratory Instrumentation and Specialized Equipment

1. Particle size distribution analyzer
Hiac/Royco Model 8000 with automatic batch sampler, 1-150 micron size range sensor.
2. Turbidimeters
Hach Ratio 2000 (**Process** style)
Hach Model 1720C - Low Range (Process style)
Hach Ratio/XR (**Laboratory** style)
H F Instruments, Model DRT 200A (Process style)
3. Conductivity meters
YSI - Model 34 (Laboratory style)
Rosemount - Model **1054C** (Process style)
Great Lakes - Model 605 (**Laboratory** style)
Balsbaugh - Model 910 (Process style)
Balsbaugh - Model 1200 (Process style)
Lakewood (hand held)
4. **pH meters**
Great Lakes -671 (Process style)
Hach Model 2278 (**Laboratory** style)
Rosemount - Model **1054pH** (Process style)
Chemtrix - Type 40 (**Laboratory** style)
Beckman - Model 960 (Process style)
5. Silt Density Index Test Apparatus (2 units)
6. Dataloggers
Orion - Model 3530
Metrosonics - Model 714
7. **Phipps & Bird Jar Test Apparatus**
8. **Variety of Pressure, Flow and Temperature** instruments
9. Analytical equipment
Atomic absorption **spectrophotometer**
UV/VIS/NIR Spectrophotometer, Lambda 9
Infrared Spectrometer (FTIR)
X-Ray spectrometer, TN5502 (**Noran**)
Emission Spectrometer, Plasma 40
Gas **Chromatograph**
Ion Chromatograph, Dionex
Scanning Electron Microscope
Thermal Gravimetric Analyzer
10. Simulated Environment Test Facilities
Seawater Corrosion Facility
Salt Spray Test Chamber

COLORADO

CITY OF DENVER

**Department of Water Utilities
Denver, Colorado**

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About ten years ago, the City of Denver construct& with the support of EPA funds, an extensive multiple process pilot plant to demonstrate the effectiveness of state of the art technology in reclaiming potable water **from** wastewater. The conventional secondary treatment section was sized at 1 mgd, and the specialized processes such as **reverse** osmosis, **ultrafiltration**, and ion **exchange** were sized at **100,000 gpd**.

It was a superb example of modern technology and **produced** high quality water. Extensive toxicological tests and animal studies were conducted and the product was proven to be as good, if not better, than **the current** supply.

Once the funding ran out, the demonstration plant was shutdown. Although several attempts were ma& to save the facility, including a **consortium** of local universities, the plant was never **re-**started. In the past few years, the equipment has **fallen** into **disarray**, and a significant investment will be required to re-activate the plant in its **entirety**. It is estimated that approximately \$1 million per year will be required to maintain the facility.

A private company is now attempting to re-activate the plant, asking congressional representatives to support legislation to obtain funds for refurbishment and **operating** expenses. Although the future is still unclear, any attempts by other organizations at this time to re-activate the plant will **be** blocked by the current effort.

COLORADO

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

**Engineering Research Center
Fort Collins, Colorado 80523**

Administrator: Prof. David W. Hendricks
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The facilities at **Colorado** State University include a wide variety of processes commonly used in water treatment. They include: **ozonation**, carbon absorption, air stripping, rapid mixing, flocculation, settling, filtration, ion exchange and membrane separation. The individual processes and the entire treatment train are capable of operation at 20 gpm (28800 gpd). The processes can be used individually for research or in any combination or **series**. The facility is based upon the original design of the Denver Water Reuse **Demonstration** Plant, but at smaller volumetric throughput.

The primary **feed** stream available is from Horsetooth Reservoir, adjacent to the campus, which is a drinking water reservoir. The pilot facilities were built with funds provided by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, but belongs to CSU. The original intent was to study advanced **treatment** technologies for removal of contaminants including toxic organic compounds, metals, and conventional contaminants such as viruses, **bacteria**, cysts, biodegradable organic compounds and salts.

Secondary effluent may be available **from** a **nearby** facility, but construction of a pipeline would be **required**.

Except **for** the filter columns which were built in 1985, the equipment is in new condition as described in their report in December 19931, describing the design and construction of the facility.

The **administrator** of the **facility**, Dr. Dave Hendricks is keen to work with NWRI in establishing a center at CSU. He has good working relationships with Dr. **JoAnn Silverstein** (University of Colorado, Boulder) and William Lauer (City of Denver **Water** Utilities Department) and others in the water **treatment** community.

Rather than a daily "**rental** cost" for the facility, the university prefers to develop a contract with the interested party, manage the research with a **faculty** member, with work done by graduate students. Overhead rates for facilities and support **services** are in line with most large universities; 45% and 19.8% respectively.

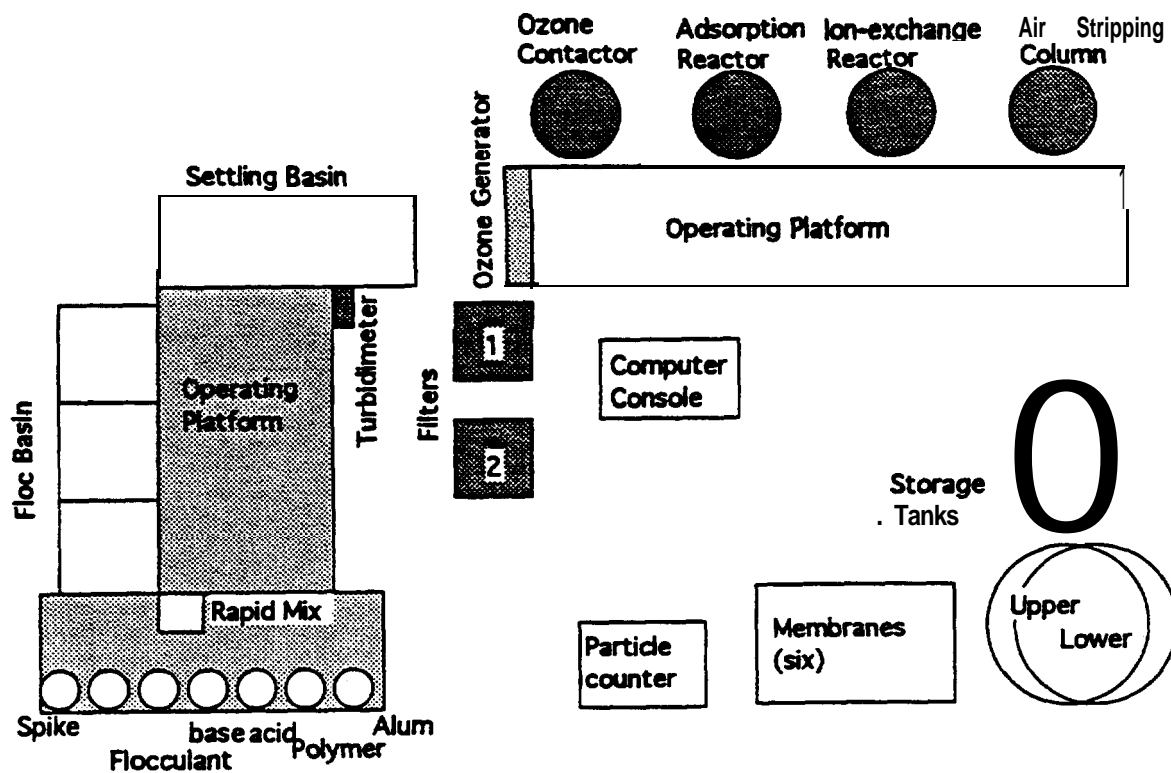
Although lacking in a variety of **feedstreams**, the facilities are outstanding and the process control is excellent. The facility should allow conduct of excellent water treatment **research** at a **reasonable** cost.

1Environmental Engineering Technical Report, "Treatment Train Modeling for Aqueous Contaminants," by **Carlson**, K.H., et al, Department of Civil Engineering, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, 53-2415-93-1, December 1993.

CENTER:	COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY								
LOCATION:	Ft. Collins, Colomdo								
FEED STREAMS:	Horsetooth reservoir								
PROCESS:	Ozonation	Carbon absorption	Air stripping	Rapid mix Basin	Flocculation	Settling Basin	Filtration	Ion Exchange	Membrane Process
No. of systems	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Avg feed flow, gpm	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Avg ozone dosage, mg/l									
Avg ozone usage, lb/d	2								
Process type	column contactor					lamella			
Filtration rate, gpm/ft ²	5		350				5		
Dimensions	14'h	2.5'dx18'h	2.5'd		31"x93"	4'wx4'hx8'l	2.5'dx18'h		
Mediatype		granular					dual	cationic	
Media depth ft		10							10
Detention time, min				0.5	30				
Material					acrylic/ss		acrylic/PVC		
Diffuser	ceramic		rubberized						
No of stages									2
Elements per stage									3 (4x40)
Recovery, %									75
CONTROL SYSTEM:	24 hour a day operation.								
	26 digital I/O points: pumps, solenoids, valves, blowers, ozone generator and proximity switches.								
	15 analog points: temperature, pressure, flow rate, conductivity, pH, turbidity, gaseous ozone concentration and filter liquid level.								
	Host communicates with A/D multiplexer board, RS-232 serial connection; digital I/O boards with RS-422 connection.								
	Software: Windows, ITouch by Wonderware; data compiled in Excel.								

Table 5. Colorado state University Pilot Plant Equipment

Figure 7.



RESEARCH PILOT PLANT
 ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
 COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

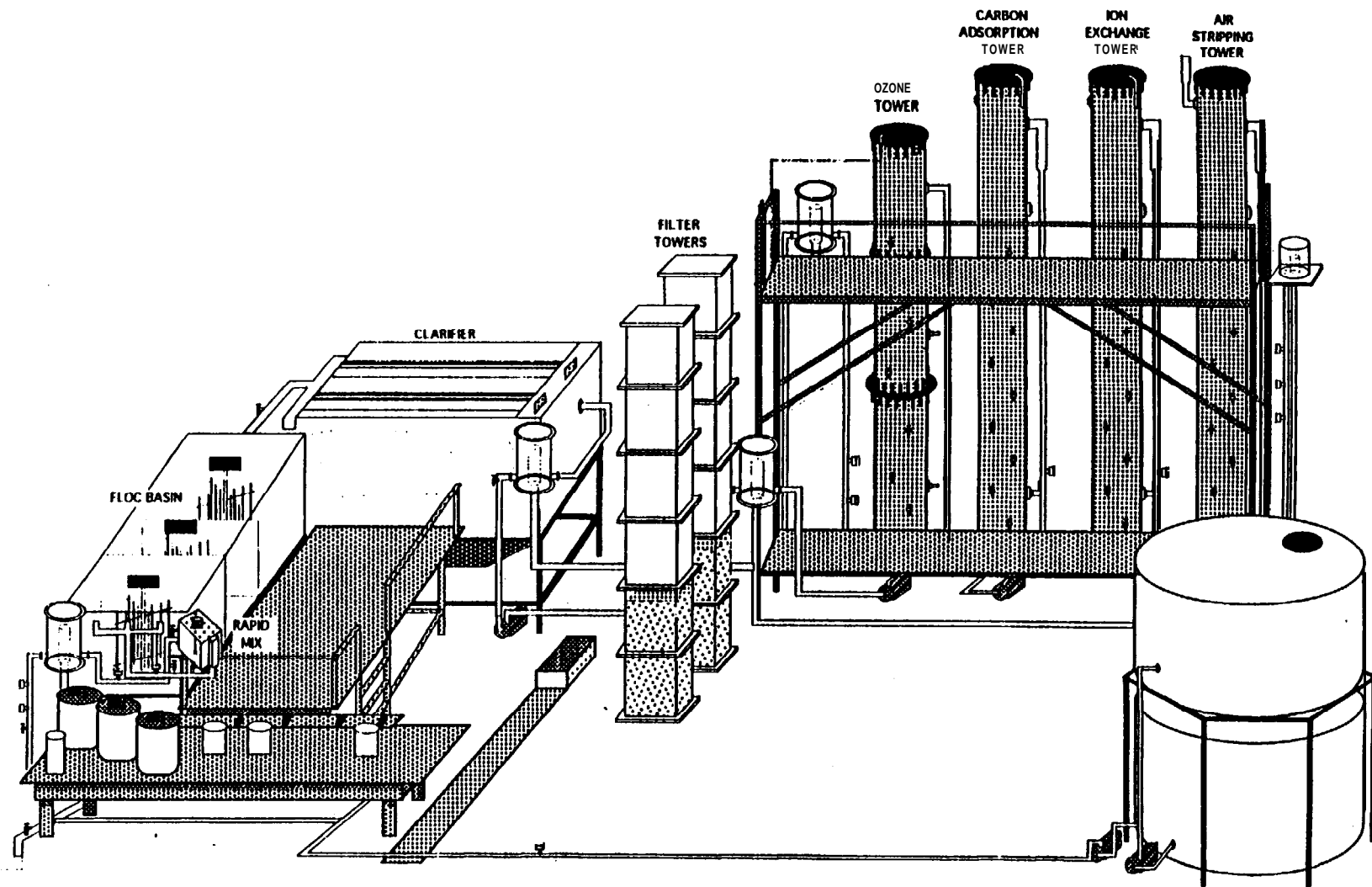


Figure 8.

Overview of Advanced Water Treatment Pilot Plant, Engineering Research Center, Colorado State University (membrane system not shown)

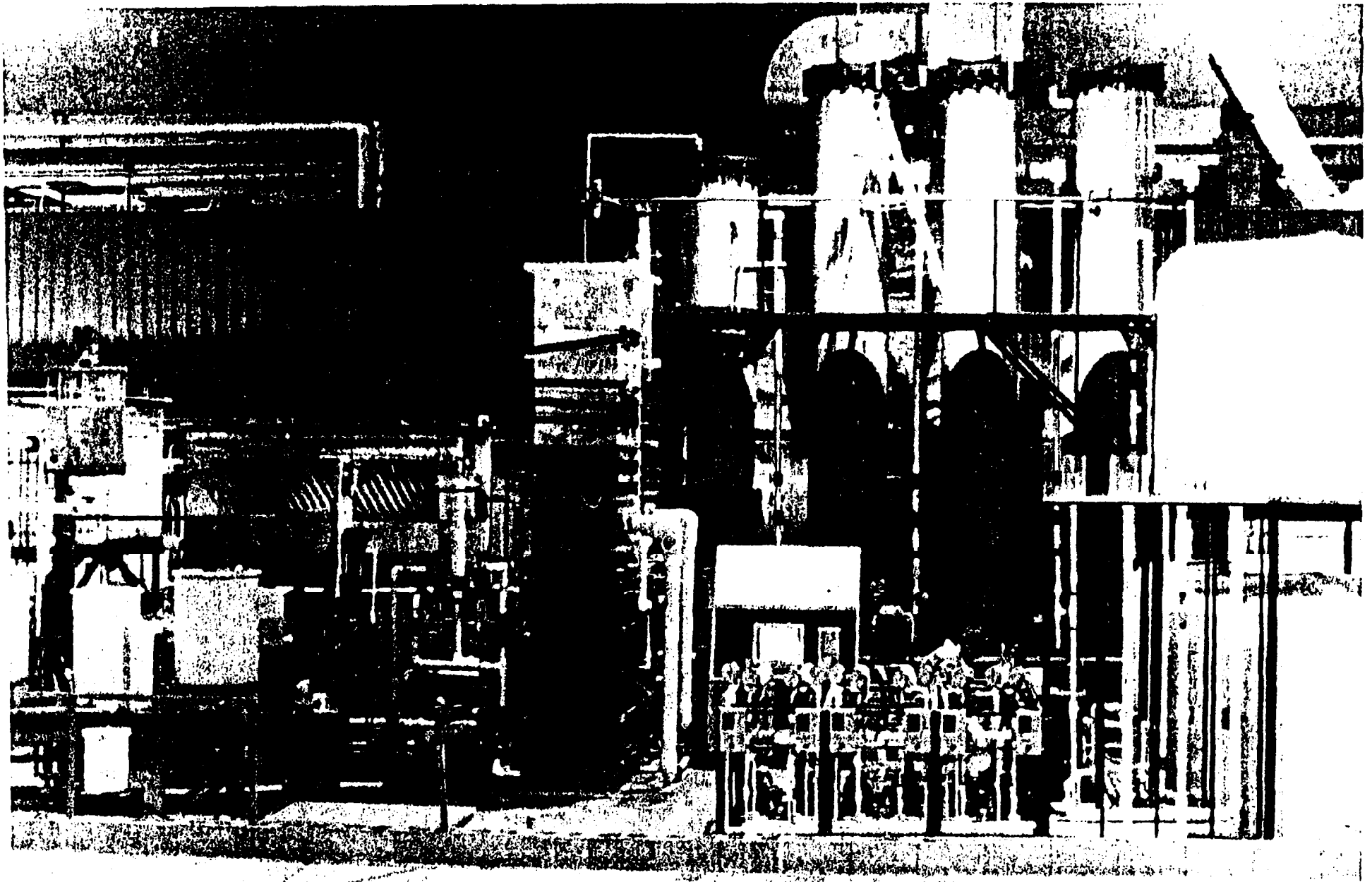


Figure 9. Advanced Water Treatment Pilot Plant, Engineering Research Center, Colorado State University.

COLORADO

US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Technical Service Center
Water Treatment Engineering and Research Laboratories
P.O. Box 25007
Denver, Colorado 802250007

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The Bureau of Reclamation has engaged in water desalination research and development on both laboratory and pilot scale equipment in their Denver laboratories since the late **1950's**. The early R&D was conducted for the Office of Saline Water and later for the Office of Research and Technology. Nearly every **electrodialysis** and reverse osmosis design commercially available was tested at one time or another by the BOR.

The **facilities** have since expanded their interests to general water treatment and desalination. Over the years, **they** have developed an outstanding analytical laboratory for water.

The strongest asset at the Denver labs is the research personnel. The staff consists of 22 chemical engineers, chemists, physical scientists, environmental engineers, and chemical and civil engineering technicians. Extensive **electrical/mechanical** maintenance services are available through the Technical **Service** Center shops personnel.

Pilot scale equipment consists of skid-mounted equipment including: **reverse** osmosis, **pretreatment**, membrane cleaning skid Mobile water **treatment** equipment includes: granular activated carbon system, slow sand filtration, pressure filtration, reverse osmosis, **nanofiltration**, **ultrafiltration**, ultraviolet irradiation, ozonation, greensand **filtration**, ion exchange softening.

The BOR is currently restructuring **accounting** methods to **determine** cost of facilities, staff and overheads **Current** staff favors an umbrella agreement between NWRI and the BOR which would allow **all** participating institutions to use their facilities, without complicated separate agreements with each. **Charges are likely to be the cost of staff and direct overhead and the direct cost of utilities**. Although no building/facilities overhead is **anticipated**, a final decision on this aspect of charges has not yet been made.

Laboratory instrumentation and **specialized** equipment:

1. Test cell apparatus - Simultaneous 4 x 24" membrane swatch testing
2. **Photovoltaic electrodialysis - Electrodialysis** cell that can be coupled to a photovoltaic array.
3. Water storage - Two 15,000 gal *storage tanks connected to* outside pump and one buried **15,000** gal **tank**.
4. Analytical instrumentation:
 - Scanning electron **microscope** with low vacuum and EDX
 - GC/MS** (gas **chromatograph/mass** spectrometer)
 - HPLC (High **performance** liquid chromatography)
 - Ion **chromatograph**
 - ICPMS (Inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometer)
5. water laboratory
 - Completely equipped water analysis laboratory

Table 6. BOR Denver Lab Pilot Plant Equipment

CENTER: US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
LOCATION: Denver, Colorado
FEED STREAMS: Tapwater, synthetic solutions, various field locations

PROCESS: Reverse **Water** Reverse
 Osmosis Treatment Osmosis
 Skid mobile (a) Test System

No. of systems	1	1	2
Avg feed flow , gpm	6	6	
No of stages	1	1	1
Elements per stage			8

Recovery, %
 Element type: spiral, 4" spiral, 4" spiral, 2-1/2"
 Membrane type: **CA, TFC CA, TFC CA, TFC**

CONTROL SYSTEM: 24 hour a day operation.
Automatic shutdown on hi/lo pressure.

(a) Includes: chemical feed systems (lime, alum, polymer, hypochlorite, acid anti-sealant, biocide, etc.) rapid mix and flocculation system (4 gpm), **GAC system (6 gpm)**, slow sand **filter** system (4 gpm), pressure filter system (6 gpm), miscellaneous support pumps, RO, ultra- and **nano-** filtration skid (6 gpm), **UV** and ozonation skids, tankage, generator, **greensand** filter, and ion exchange softener (**6 gpm**).

FLORIDA

FLORIDA

CITY OF CAPE CORAL

Cape Coral, Florida

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Prior to construction of a larger **plant**, the City of Cape Coral installed a single pressure vessel pilot unit with recirculation, to examine the maximum recovery achievable with their **reverse** osmosis system. Since **the** test was **completed** this small pilot plant has not been used, but can be made available for further research testing. Although the extent of research may be limited by the simple design of the unit, it provides a test bed for testing new membranes, additives, and maximum recovery.

The city is willing to work with **NWRI** and research partners in future research.

FLORIDA

TOWN OF JUPITER

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The Town of Jupiter acquired a reverse osmosis pilot plant of approximately **50,000** gpd capacity, to perform tests prior to construction of their **full** sized plant. **Additional tests continue as required** on the unit. The Town is willing to **make** the pilot plant **available** for research purposes as long as **the** project does not interfere with their day to day operations.

The pilot plant is a 2-stage unit with 4" diameter pressure vessels. It is designed for 75% recovery and has a **4:2 array** of six element vessels. It is skid mounted and has rollers for portability; however, they prefer to keep the pilot plant in one location, which is adjacent to the full-sized plant. It has adequate instrumentation and controls to allow collection of sufficient data for research projects. Thin **film** composite spiral wound elements are currently on hand for testing. The unit is designed for automatic operation and has safety switches to protect the system. Manual adjustment is required at startup.

The feedwater can be supplied by a brackish water well, or a **surficial** aquifer. The **former** has **TDS** of approximately 4500 to 4800 ppm; the latter has TDS of about 450 ppm. Use of the brackish water well is very **convenient**; use of the surficial source would require moving the pilot plant. Waste lime and **concentrate** are sent to a **concentrate treatment facility**.

Office space is available, but limited **PC** computers are available, but no main frame terminals. Telephone and facsimile service are available. Limited support staff are available.

A simple wet lab is available, with an additional mini-lab for routine monitoring of the main process equipment. Simple **spectrophotometric** analysis are done on site, but more sophisticated analyses are sent to a local lab.

If the research to be conducted is of benefit to the Town of Jupiter, it is likely that no charges would be incurred.

FLORIDA

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Environmental Systems Engineering Institute
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The **Environmental Systems Engineering Institute (ESEI)** is a Type II institute located within the civil and **Environmental Engineering Department** in the College of Engineering at the University of Central Florida. Type II institutes are not supported by any direct funding from the State of Florida. **ESEI** like all State **University System (SUS)** institutes is a non-profit organization **created** specifically to enhance graduate research and education, and serve society by providing access to specific resources of the State University System.

Engineering research is a **primary** function of **ESEI**, which provides a central location for **coordinating environmental** projects utilizing the specific expertise of CEE and other departments at UCF. The Departments of Civil and **Environmental Engineering**, Biology, Microbiology, Chemistry and others at UCF have conducted environmental **projects** individually and collectively that involved research, training, analysis, and education. UCF has significant capital resources invested in laboratory space, advanced analytical equipment and computer technology **that** is available for environmentally oriented problem solving. Specific expertise within the **CEE** department includes potable water **treatment**, corrosion **control**, **stormwater abatement**, air dispersion modeling, noise abatement, solid waste, incineration, hazardous waste investigation, **wastewater** treatment and receiving water impacts.

All work conducted within **ESEI** must be funded by **contracting** organization as **ESEI** receives no **direct** state funding. UCF has graduated hundreds of graduate level engineers and scientists with **specific** environmental expertise in the past that would not have been possible unless funds **from** sponsored **research** were available for their support.

The laboratory is equipped to measure trace organic and inorganic contaminants. Equipment is **housed in more than 4000 square feet of laboratory space.**

The Institute was created by the UCF to enhance environmental education and services at UCF and actively seeks interaction with all government and private **organizations.**

FLORIDA

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

**College of Engineering
Tampa, Florida 33620-5350**

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The University of South Florida has several pilot plants, but not all of it is centrally **located**. A mobile trailer unit is designed to move to different sites for research and contain two 10 gpm reverse osmosis units capable of desalting seawater. The **trailer** also contains a **3000** gallon holding tank with temperature control. Arrays of 4" spiral wound elements or a **B-9** brackish water hollow fiber permeator up to 10" diameter can be tested.

A test stand will accommodate up to 6" elements in either multielement **or** singleelement pressure vessels. A 100 gallons per day seawater unit for testing 2.5" elements is skid-mounted for portability. Two small hollow fiber microfilter skid-mounted units are available.

In **the** laboratory two high pressure and one medium pressure cells are available for **flat** sheet testing with varying spacers for hydrodynamic studies. Many 2.5" diameter cells are in place for quick tests on membranes.

For **pre-treatment**, clarifiers, filters, and cyclone separators are available in addition to conventional cartridge and media **filtration**.

Analytical instrumentation includes AA with graphite **furnace**, SEM, **GC/MS**, various microbiological tests, **ion** chromatography, **HPLC** and optical microscopy. A trailer mounted laboratory can be moved to different sites to support the reverse osmosis trailer.

Approximately **3000 sq. ft.** of laboratory space is available. Six professors experienced as principal investigators and 15 to 20 **graduate** students provide support.

the University typically negotiates a cooperative agreement with the proposed research sponsors. Facilities, supplies, and purchases are indirect costs billed at 45% of faculty and student salaries.

HAWAII

KAMOLE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Maui Department of Water Supply
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The Kamole Water Treatment Plant, owned by the Maui Department of Water Supply, currently **consists** of a 6 mgd direct filtration water **treatment** facility. They have installed a microfiltration pilot plant with capacity of 34 gpm. The pilot plant is instrumented with flow and turbidity recorders in addition to the standard controls **for microfiltration**.

The equipment condition is good, and **fresh** water supply is available **for testing**. Although **there** are no **computer** facilities at the site, both telephone and facsimile communications are in-place. No research support staff is available, but **facility** caretakers, maintenance, and office space are available.

Details of availability **for** testing and cost of facilities must be discussed with the management.

HAWAII

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Demonstration Desalting Facility
91-591 Kalaeloa Blvd.
Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96707

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Several years ago, a demonstration plant was built near Ewa Beach, Hawaii to demonstrate the viability of reverse osmosis, electrodialysis and electrodialysis reversal for desalination of brackish groundwater. Each of the processes makes up about **1/3** mgd for a total of 1 mgd capacity. The initial tests have been completed and the facility is now run only **intermittently**.

More recently, a **laboratory** pilot plant was purchased and installed at the demonstration site for the use of the University of Hawaii. Good laboratory facilities are also available on-site.

The reverse osmosis pilot plant is rated at 2.0 gpm at 200 psi and has two **pressure** vessels which can be operated in series or in parallel. The plant utilizes 4" x 40" membrane elements, and is **pre-**treated with a 5 **micron** pre-filter, **anti-scalant** injections pumps, acid injection pump and **pH** control. Although membrane cleaning is not built into the plant, equipment exists on site to allow membrane cleaning when required

The pilot plant is minimally instrumented with a watt-hour **meter**, pressure gages, and flow meters. The site has good analytical equipment including a carbon analyzer, ion-chromatograph, HPLC, gas **chromatograph**, atomic absorption.

Two types of naturally occurring water are available: brackish water (**caprock**) and **fresh** water (basal). Concentrate is disposed into a conveyance ditch constructed for that purpose and is carried away **from** the site.

A full staff of research associates, grad students, economists, chemical engineers, chemist, civil engineer, microbiologist are available to support the research. The site is maintained and **operated** by a private contractor. **Both PC** and MAC computer **facilities** are available along with telephone and facsimile connections. **Office** space is available in the laboratory area

ILLINOIS

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

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The **Environmental** Engineering and Science **program**, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Illinois, is consistently one of the top four environmental engineering graduate research programs in the U.S. The normal research relationship with outside agencies and private companies is through research grants awarded to the University of Illinois. The grants usually provide **graduate** student and faculty support, and funds for purchase of supplies and **permanent** equipment. There are certain **indirect** costs.

During the past seven years, **the** university has received nearly \$1 million in external grants to support membrane related research. Professors Clark, Snoeyink, and Rittmann **are** well known for their membrane related research. Professor **Cheryan** (Food Science Department) is a collaborator on some of their research and has authored a book on **ultrafiltration**.

The State of Illinois Hazardous **Wastes** and Information Center has opened extensive **laboratory** facilities on campus, broadening the capabilities at the university.

The EES laboratories consist of 11,000 sq. ft. of space, fully equipped for experimental research and analyses in the chemical, physical, and biological aspects of drinking water and wastewater treatment. The pilot scale equipment includes two hollow fiber ultrafiltration systems. One is fully computer assisted for on-line measurement of pressure, flow, and temperature; computer assist will automatically adjust pump voltage for constant flux operation.

The other system is an automated constant flux system with special pulse dampening capability. Other pilot scale equipment is available for tests of hybrid separative systems. The units are rated between 3 and 15 gpm. Most of the work to date has been accomplished with cellulose derivative hollow fiber membranes of 0.9 mm i.d. and about 200 **l/m²-hr** flux. Various **cartridge** sizes from 20 to 100 fibers are available. Other commercial hollow fiber **ultrafiltration** of microfiltration membrane cartridges can be adapted **to the systems**.

A variety of **pre-** and post- treatment options are available for additional studies of complete systems. **All** equipment is in excellent condition. Wastewater, wastewater effluent, groundwater, and tap water sources are available for testing.

KENTUCKY

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

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The University of Kentucky chemical engineering department has conducted pilot plant testing of membrane processes for more than **15** years. Concentrating **primarily** on application of membrane technology for industrial processes, their **laboratory** includes reverse osmosis and **nanofiltration** units (8 gpm), **pervaporation** unit (5 gpm), standard commercial grade membrane elements, and specialty products such as the Texaco spiral wound membrane for pervaporation. Configurations include spiral wound and hollow fiber.

The laboratory has **the** capability of pm-treatment with microfiltration, standard filtration and ozonation. A double-pass heat exchanger is used to control feed source temperature. Adsorption can be utilized for post-treatment and ozonation can be used for disinfection.

The **reverse** osmosis and nanofiltration units are automated and the pervaporation unit is manually controlled. The laboratory instrumentation and analytical tools include: HP **GC/MS**, **HPLC**, TOC analyzer, **UV/VIS**, XPS, and other more conventional instruments. The condition of all equipment and instrumentation is excellent.

Industrial **fluids** and brackish water are readily available and wastewater feed source is possible.

Computer facilities include PC, MAC and main frame **terminal**. Excellent research support is available with graduate students, **faculty** supervision, and facility and equipment maintenance. The laboratory has telephone, telex, facsimile, Internet, and e-mail. Office space is available.

The university has other facilities available to support research through the **Center** of Membrane Sciences and their material characterization facility.

Contracts for services can be either fixed price or negotiable. Usual daily rates for **facilities** are in the \$800 to \$1000 range and the daily rate for support services about \$100 to \$200.

NEVADA

SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY

Las Vegas, Nevada

Administrator: Bill Bellamy (CH2M-Hill)

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The Southern Nevada Water Authority purchased pilot plant equipment in 1994. It consists of direct **filtration** and granular activated **carbon** processes, capable of up to 10 gpm throughput. The pilot plant columns **were** installed to evaluate water treatment processes for the main plant.

The equipment is new and includes data acquisition instrumentation and particle counters. Communications consist of telephone and **facsimile**.

Availability of equipment will depend upon completion of ongoing process evaluation. The authority is considering construction of microfiltration and nanofiltration pilot equipment. **User** fees and availability will be based upon negotiation with the Southern Nevada Water Authority. Although the pilot plant equipment is currently administered by **CH2M-Hill**, the equipment will revert to SNWA as soon as ongoing process evaluations are completed.

NEW MEXICO

LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY

Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility (IWTF)

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Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545

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The Los **Alamos** National **Laboratory** is a world reknown laboratory facility operated by the Department of Energy. The Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility comprises 40,000 sq. ft. of laboratory space and includes parts of plant operation plus pilot test room. Roth interior and **exterior** space is available. It is fully permitted (including RCRA, CWA) and has analytical, **engineering**, design, construction, operational personnel associated with its current operations. Several other **facilities** exist in addition to **IWTF** which allow for research in other fields.

The **pilot scale** equipment includes **electrodialysis** reversal and reverse osmosis (5 - 10 gpm), hollow line fiber ultrafiltration and centrifugal ultrafiltration (5 - 10 gpm), micro&ration and conventional filtration (5 - **200** gpm). Instrumentation and controls include AI (Expert) computer system, programmable logic control/monitoring. The laboratory features **virtually** every type of analytical equipment required for pilot plant testing including AA, **ICP/MS**, **MS/OES**, **graphite furnace**, radioisotope &termination, etc.

The facility is in **fair** condition and the equipment and instrumentation is in excellent **operating** condition. Brackish water, wastewater, wastewater effluent and other feed sources are available **for** testing, making this a highly versatile pilot plant test facility. The concentrate disposal is fully **permitted**.

Computer facilities are outstanding and include PC, MAC and **terminals** for mainframe computers. **All** types of communications **are** available including telephone, facsimile, **Internet**, e-mail and others.

Research support is available including staff, supervision, facility caretakers and equipment **maintenance personnel**. Since **this** is a government run facility, the cost of facilities and services are based solely on the facility **personnel** involved. It is well known that the facility personnel embrace many **special** disciplines, and best known for expertise in radioactive waste handling, toxic wastes, hazardous waste, medical isotopes and risk analysis.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL

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The Water Resources Engineering Program has analytical capabilities and Laboratory facilities, including a 3700 sq. ft. high bay engineering laboratory that is available for pilot-scale testing and experimentation. **The** high-bay laboratory has two 3000 gallon storage tanks that can be used to supply water for preparation of test solutions or suspensions, or that can be filled with the solutions/suspensions to be tested. The wastewater research center is located at a nearby wastewater treatment plant. Raw wastewater, primary or secondary effluent, or wastewater treated for nutrient removal can be piped **into the** center, as can sludge from any of the units or from the anaerobic sludge digesters.

Although no permanent equipment exists, pilot scale equipment can be easily brought into the facilities to be tested on an as-needed basis. The facilities were recently used to test a buoyant coarse media flocculator at **flow** rates up to 30 gpm and a mixed oxidant generator, and have been working with a membrane **separation** module for rejection of natural organic material.

Supporting analytical capabilities in the **Department** include **state-of-the-art** GCMS instrumentation, more than a dozen gas chromatographs, a number of liquid chromatographs, an ion **chromatograph**, particle counting equipment, total organic carbon analyzers, liquid scintillation counters, as well as conventional laboratory equipment. Extensive **computer support** capabilities are available. Facilities are available for **PC** computers and a terminal is available.

Research contracts for testing and evaluation of equipment usually have an education component and are for a period of at least six months. The budget for each contract is developed based on the objectives of the project; the budget includes support for faculty, students, technicians is **appropriate**, supplies and equipment. An indirect cost of 44.5% is added to the direct costs for use of the facilities.

The Department is a graduate department with 220 graduate students and 35 faculty members that cover all the major aspects of environmental sciences and engineering including water resources engineering, air pollution control, industrial hygiene, aquatic and atmospheric **chemistry**, aquatic and terrestrial biology, environmental policy, risk assessment, etc. **Post-doctoral** research associates and technicians are also employed by the Department and are supported by research grants and contracts.

Complete communications are in place including telephone, facsimile, **Internet**, and **e-mail**.

SOUTH CAROLINA

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Ultrafiltration Laboratory
Clemson University
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The Clemson University ultrafiltration laboratory conducted some of the pioneering investigations in the field of textile dye waste treatment. There is a small research facility for **ultrafiltration** and **microfiltration** testing. Pilot plant equipment with capacity up to 16 gpm includes **ultrafiltration**, microfiltration, and nanofiltration. A heat exchanger is piped into the loop for feed temperature control and **pre-treatment** consists of a cartridge filter. Disinfection is accomplished with heat or chemical addition. Membranes are cleaned chemically.

Instrumentation on the pilot equipment includes flow rate, **temperature**, pressure, pressure drop, **pH**, **viscometer**. Analytical equipment includes flow, conductivity, on campus support from other departments. Wastewater, wastewater **effluent** and process water are available **feed** sources. The condition of the facilities is good.

Both **PC** and MAC computers as well as a **mainframe** terminal are available. Communication is by telephone, facsimile, Internet, and e-mail. **Office space** is available.

Research support staff is available with **graduate** students and faculty **supervision**. Facility and equipment are maintained by department technicians.

Availability of **facilities** and **services** is usually by special **arrangement** with an estimated cost of \$2000. Charge **for** facilities and services is by negotiation.

TEXAS

RICE UNIVERSITY

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The Department of Environmental Science and Engineering at Rice University has capability for both bench scale and small volume pilot plant testing. A wide variety of membrane filtration equipment is available with flow rates from 1-19 **liters/minute (0.26-5.02 gpm)**. **Ceramic** and polymeric membranes are available as well as hollow fiber, and tubular configurations. For pre-treatment, standard **cartridge filtration** with the possibility of coagulation, PAC and others **are** available. A **separate** cleaning skid is on-site. The equipment is in good to excellent condition.

Wastewater, wastewater effluent, produced waters and industrial waste water feed sources are attainable and **brackish** water or seawater is possible.

Both PC and MAC computer **facilities** are available. Communications are by telephone, facsimile and **e-mail**. **Although office space** is not available, good research **support** can be found. In addition to faculty supervision and graduate student help, a technical editor is on staff. Facility upkeep and maintenance of equipment is handled by graduate students and specialty campus shops.

The standard overhead rate at the department is 50%. The university would envision working on research projects in conjunction with **NWRI**.

TEXAS

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Food Protein Research and Development Center
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The Food Protein Research and Development Center got its name from the extensive research initiated at the university in food protein research. Since that **time**, the pilot scale facilities have been expanded to include water and wastewater research and development. Five separate **fully-**equipped pilot plant facilities **are** available and additional space is available for expansion and diversification of facilities. The center now has **specialized** discipline in membrane based **separations** both aqueous and non-aqueous.

Pilot scale equipment includes extraction (aqueous and non-aqueous), spray drying, membrane systems, thin film evaporators. Flow rates range from small to 150 gpm depending upon the unit **operation** selected. Membranes available include microfiltration, **ultrafiltration, nanofiltration,** reverse osmosis in both laboratory and commercial sizes. Several multi-purpose pilot units have explosion proof capability. The laboratory also includes various types of heat exchangers, centrifuges, screens, homogenizers, ion exchange columns, carbon **filtration** columns. Typical disinfection is by HTST pasteurizer or chemical **methods**. Membrane cleaning equipment is available based on recommendations from manufacturers.

Instrumentation and controls are available. Analytical equipment includes gas chromatography, HPLC, **GC/MS, infrared spectrophotometry,** UV-VIS, atomic absorption.

Wastewater and wastewater effluent feed streams are available as well as synthetic solutions. Samples are often shipped from point of origin to the **laboratory** for tests, **Concentrate** disposal is via city sewer.

The center has 25 full-time employees and 5 section heads are available for supervision. Facility caretakers are on-site and the university provides 24 **hr/d** maintenance. Computer facilities for both PC and MAC are **available** as well as **terminals** for plug in. Telephone, telex, facsimile, Internet, and e-mail are available. **Office** space is available.

The cost of facilities varies considerably, depending upon circumstances and the number of employees involved in the research. It ranges from \$250 to 2500 per day, which includes both facilities and support services. University rules and regulations determine the contract type as it depends upon whether it is a research or a service contract

TEXAS

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS • AUSTIN

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The Separations Research Program at the University of Texas at Austin is a cooperative industry/university program **which performs** fundamental research of **interest** to chemical, **biotechnological**, petroleum refining, gas processing, pharmaceutical, and food companies. **Specific** areas of technology covered by the program include: **Adsorption/chromatographic** separation, liquid/liquid extraction, **supercritical** fluid technology, membrane technology, flue gas **desulfurization** and acid gas treating, and **water** and wastewater treatment,

Equipment and **facilities** are provided in two research buildings. The Center for **Energy** Studies/Center for **Electromechanics** Building at the **Balcones** Research Center has administrative offices, multiple laboratories, and large-scale separation related equipment including **extraction/distillation** test system (18" diameter), **adsorption/desorption** test system (3" diameter), **supercritical** extraction test system (4" diameter), membrane test system, waste oxidation test systems. The membrane units include a low pressure pure water system, a high pressure water/organic system, and an industrial **membrane** unit,

The Chemical and Petroleum Engineering Building on the main campus also provides **laboratory** and office space. This building houses most of the bench-scale equipment including membrane research **apparatus** for liquid mixtures, high-pressure, single- and multiple-component gas permeation cells, polymer **fabrication** laboratory, **reactors** for sulfur dioxide with hydrated lime.

A highly qualified team of University of Texas at Austin **faculty, staff** and graduate students are available to **carry** out fundamental separations **research**. Approximately 50 graduate and **postdoctoral** personnel are involved in the projects.

Telephone, facsimile, e-mail are accessible.

VIRGINIA

U.S. ARMY

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The U.S. Army has conducted **laboratory** and pilot plant testing at their Fort Belvoir location for many years. One of the most well **known** designs to result from their past work is the Reverse Osmosis Water Purification Unit (ROWPU), which have been used extensively in the recent middle east conflict and at disaster areas such as Somalia and Rwanda

The **facility** contains a chemistry laboratory, reverse osmosis test room, an indoor test site as well as a Potomac River Test Site and a Fresh Water Pond Site. These sources provide **access to** a variety of water quality problems. A variety of reverse osmosis and other membrane filtration equipment is available, as **well** as pre-treatment and post-treatment methods. Facilities are capable of accepting other pilot plant equipment. Flow capacities up to 70 gpm are possible with existing pilot plants, which are capable of accepting commercial membranes ranging in size from **2-1/2" x 14"** to **8" x 40"**. Gas/refrigerant, liquid/water, and titanium coil heat exchangers are available.

The equipment is instrumented for flow rate, temperature, pressure, conductivity, and **pH** measurement. Analytical equipment on site includes SDI, TSS, **HPLC**, TDS, **DO**, particle size distribution, **pH**, turbidity, chloride. Feedstreams include brackish water, seawater, and Potomac River water. Concentrate is disposed via city sewer. Equipment, instrumentation and facilities are in good condition.

Support staff available is limited and researchers should anticipate providing their own supervision. Facility caretakers are available, but maintenance of equipment is the responsibility of those that come on-site. Telephone, facsimile, Internet and **e-mail are** on-site, but office space is not available. Cost of facilities and limited support must be negotiated on a case by case basis.

WASHINGTON

CITY OF EVERETT

Everett Water Treatment Plant
Everett, Washington

Administrator: Mr. Clair Olivers; Peter Berger, Plant Supervisor

The City of Everett **installed** a pilot plant at their Everett Water Treatment Plant as a vehicle to determine the optimum filter media for their feed stream. **Originally** built at a cost of \$100,000, it consists of 4 column filters constructed of 3" PVC, 2 each 4 stage **floc** basins, and an ozone generation and **ozonation section**. The ozone process is capable of either multiple or single pass treatment. Other features include an initial flow distribution section and backwash module.

They have jointly **participated with** University of Washington in earlier tests. Due to the nature of the process, a strong commitment of time and manpower is required to obtain good steady state data. Since it is now in storage, some expense **will** be incurred to reassemble the pilot plant. It can be broken down into modules and shipped.

The incoming water quality at the Everett Water Treatment Plant is **typically** high quality, often exhibiting turbidity of **<0.5** NTU. **Additional** data to be attained at this site is limited, but could include analysis of **DBPs** from ozonation.

WEST VIRGINIA

SALT ROCK WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Salt Rock, West Virginia

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The Salt Rock Water Public Service owns and operates a conventional surface water treatment plant. Due to high turbidity, they **are** in the process of **upgrading** the plant to include 2.5 mgd **microfiltration**. A pilot plant test, using rented commercial equipment, was conducted earlier to **determine** design parameters. **Another** test is contemplated in the near **future**.

Although the site is a potential site for **future** testing, it would not be considered an ideal site due to the intermittent operation; the plant 'operates 12-14 hours per day with shut down at night. Additionally, the power supply has proven inconsistent,

3.0 LABORATORY FACILITIES .

3.0 LABORATORIES

This section **describes** those locations where pilot scale equipment is **not** available for research purposes, but **laboratory** facilities are available which can facilitate testing. All of those listed indicated a desire to collaborate with **NWRI** and **partners** in future research. In general the **laboratories** identified were owned by universities, with one exception of a privately owned laboratory. All were extensively equipped with instrumentation and sophisticated analytical tools which will greatly aid **further** thermal and membrane systems **researchy**. Each can provide highly qualified research **staff support**.

The **laboratories** are listed by state. Unfortunately, due to the required publication date for this first National Facilities Survey, some of the contacted institutions could not submit answers to the **questionnaire** in **sufficient** time for inclusion in this report. That data will be included in subsequent **reports**.

ARIZONA

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The University of Arizona does not currently own pilot plant equipment that could be utilized in a research testing **program**. They have extensive analytical and laboratory equipment which could support pilot plant testing and space is available. The environmental **engineering** laboratory covers 3000 **ft**² on the third floor and basement of the civil engineering building on the main campus.

The university is currently engaged in conducting pilot plant research and development with a reverse osmosis system owned by the contracting company. The research is in the field of pulp and paper **manufacturing**. **Extensive** testing has already been **conducted**^{1,2}.

The general areas of expertise include physical-chemical treatment of water and **wastewater** for reuse purposes by adsorption with activated carbon, oxidation with ozone and other chemical oxidants, membrane processing including **ultrafiltration** and reverse osmosis and heterogeneous photocatalysis of toxic and hazardous pollutants.

The **director** of the environmental engineering program, Dr. Raymond Sierka has participated as a consultant in the development of many innovative and unique processes, including a wastewater treatment pilot system which processed all inclusive liquid wastes from a field army hospital. The project **required** knowledge of state of the art wastewater treatment processes and equipment as well as unconventional combinations.

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, **continued**

Laboratory instrumentation and specialized equipment:

1. **Sepa cells for flat sheet testing - 138 cm²**
- 2. Membranes - all commercial flat sheet membrane
3. Heat exchangers: cooling water
4. **Pre-treatment:**
 - Ozone generator
 - Hydrogen peroxide injector
 - Ultraviolet irradiator**
5. Disinfection:
 - Ozone generator
 - Chlorine injector
6. Instrumentation
 - Liquid chromatograph**
 - Liquid scintillation counter
 - Ultra** low level dissolved organic **carbon** analyzer
 - Low level dissolved organic carbon analyzer
 - Total Organic Haline Analyzers**
 - Gas **chromatograph** with **ECD detector** and 3390A integrator
 - Gas chromatograph with **flame ionization** detector and 3392 integrator
 - Atomic absorption **spectrophotometer** with **HGA-40** graphite **furnace**
 - Scanning **WMS spectrophotometer**
 - Particle counter
 - Phase contrast and epifluorescence **microscopes**
 - Image analysis system with 386 **comuter** interface
 - Two ozone generators
 - Biostat MD **benchtop** fermentor
 - Seven **benchtop fermentors**
 - Biological oxygen monitor
 - Manometric **respirometers**
 - French hydraulic press and biological cell
 - Automatic **titration pH-stat**
 - Refreigerated** centrifuge
 - Benchtop microcentrifuge**
 - Ultrafiltration** cells
 - Reverse **osmosis/ultrafiltration flat** sheet test cells
 - various other lab instruments.

¹**Sierka**, R.A. and H.G. Folster, J.J. **Avenell**, "The Treatment of Whitewaters by Adsorption and Membrane Techniques," **1994** International Environmental Conference proceedings, Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry.

²**Sierka**, R.A. and J.A. Avenell, H.J. **Angell**, "An Evaluation of Membrane Treatment of a Sulfide **Kraftmill** Wastewater," **1992** Environmental Conference **Proceedings**, Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry.

CALIFORNIA

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY ,

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The San Diego State University mechanical engineering department is engaged in the laboratory scale batch testing of a novel concept to drive distillation, using an open cycle chemical heat pump and saturated calcium chloride solutions. The laboratory testing is to prove the concept, The equipment is instrumented with data logger, pressure gages, and other necessary instruments.

The facilities are equipped with both PC and MAC equipment and the staff is composed of associate professor, graduate students, seniors and one **technician**. Telephone, facsimile, and e-mail comprise the **laboratory** communications.

The work at the **university** is unique and innovative; the university is actively contacting industry to market this **invention**¹.

¹**Lowrey**, Preston, "Salinity Powered Distillation of Freshwater from Seawater Using Plastic Sheet Heat Exchangers," San Diego State University, **R/OE-18, 1990-92**.

CALIFORNIA

SEPARATION SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY

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Separation Systems Technology is one of the few privately held research laboratories. The company occupies 2400 **ft**² in a fully equipped laboratory and testing facility. All equipment in the facility is of latest state of the art design and is **in** excellent condition. Following is the pilot equipment available at the facility:

- . Twenty element reverse osmosis test system. The system can be operated in either once through or recirculation mode. Elements, 2" x **12"**, are tested in the parallel mode. The system is mobile and accommodates pressure up to 200 psi.
- . Twelve element reverse osmosis test system. The system operates in the once through mode only. Chemical addition is optional. Usual element size is 2" x 12" and normally tested at line pressure.
- . **Reverse** osmosis flat sheet test cell system; brackish water and seawater testing, capable of operation up to **800** psi.
- . MF, UF, RO single element test system; 2.5" x 40" **spiral** wound elements, 250 psi maximum pressure.
- . MF, UF, RO single element test system; 2.5" x 26" **sprial** wound elements, 250 psi maximum pressure.
- . MF, UF pilot plant; mobile, cross flow system; 150 psi maximum pressure.
- . Three MF flat sheet test cell systems, cross-flow, for determining pure water flux and MW cutoff.
- . Spiral element rolling machines and associated equipment,
- . Spiral element autopsy equipment for all sizes. Dye testing, vacuum testing, **foulant** analysis, etc. Detailed analysis **reports** are provided.
- . Laboratory scale membrane casting machine for processing MF, UF and **RO membranes**.
- . Continuous large scale membrane casting machine for processing MF, UF and RO membranes.
- . Spiral element test systems for microbiological **evaluations**.
- . Transparent membrane test cell system for evaluation of spiral element spacer materials, cleaning solutions, etc.

The instrumentation and analytical equipment at the **facility** is extensive and facility has MAC computer facilities. Communications are by telephone and **facsimile**. Research support is available **from** scientists and technicians as well as supervision by the owners. The company is owned by Rob **Riley**, Clyde **Milstead** and Ken Tagami, all well known scientists and practitioners in the membrane industry.

Limited office space is available. Additional space is available in the laboratory for placement of pilot plant skids if required. The laboratory has completed numerous membrane separations contracts for both private companies and public agencies.

CALIFORNIA

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Both of these prestigious universities have extensive capabilities in water resources and **desalination** research. **Both** have participated in National Water Research Institute studies and are **committed to the program**.

Questionnaire responses were not received in sufficient time to include in this first printing of the National Facilities Survey.

CALIFORNIA

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Berkeley, California

Davis, California

Irvine, California

Riverside, California

San Diego, California

The University of **California** system has **participated** in water and **wastewater** treatment research for many years. One or more of the above mentioned campus locations have participated with the National Water Research Institute in **research** programs and have indicated a strong interest in continuing the relationship. Although none of the above are known to have pilot **scale facilities**, **they have laboratory facilities capable of supporting research programs** and could facilitate small pilot scale experimentation.

Due to the imminent deadlines for this first Facilities Survey, written documentation **from** these **locations** was not received in time for publication.

COLORADO

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

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Two **departments** at the University of Colorado **are** currently engaged in water resources research. The Civil **Engineering** Department, under Dr. Silverstem, has conducted research in biological systems and **will** have a pilot **facility** installed at a field location in northern Colorado. The Chemical Engineering Department has established an NSF Industrial/University Center for Separations Using **Thin** Films, under the chairs of **Drs. Krantz** and Noble, where they are focused in four major areas: reversible chemical compkxation, membrane morphology and performance, catalytic membrane reactors, and membrane fouling.

Both **departments** have extensive facilities, **instrumentation** and analytical tools. These include:

- Scanning electron microscopy
- Transmission electron microscopy
- Wavelength dispersive X-my analysis
- Energy dispersive X-ray analysis
- Auger electron **spectroscopy**
- Low energy electron diffraction**
- X-ray photoelectron **diffraction**
- High resolution electron energy loss spectroscopy
- Infrared thermal video imaging**
- Nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy
- High resolution mass spectroscopy
- Automatic X-ray **spectroscopy**
- Fourier **transform ifrared** spectroscopy
- High pressure liquid chromatography**
- Differential scanning calorimetry**
- Thermal **gravimetric** analysis
- Ellipsometry**
- Temperature **programmed reaction** systems
- Low and high pressure membrane flow **lsystems**
- Static chemisorption system
- Ultrasonic** time domain **reflectometry**

Both departments support the **NWRI** National Centers concept and would participate in joint **programs**.

ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

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Although **IIT** does not have pilot scale equipment available, the institute has an extensive laboratory **with** state of the art **instrumentation** and analytical equipment. The laboratory is equipped to do modern biological and chemical research.

An innovative research project initiated at **IIT**, in collaboration with General **Atomics**, embraces the concept of a sodium **ion** pump **utilizing** proteins to move sodium ions. It is one of the projects **funded** by NWFU and represents one of the few new, innovative approaches to **separation** membranes.

Wastewater, wastewater effluent and synthetic solutions can be utilized to conduct separations research. Well qualified research support staff are available including the following disciplines: biochemistry, microbiology, molecular biology and genetics, **analytical** chemistry.

The **laboratory** is fully equipped with **PC**, **MAC** and main **frame** terminal and has excellent communication **facilities**.

MARYLAND

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

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The Johns Hopkins University Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering has a complete analytical **laboratory** with **full** capability for inorganic and organic constituent analyses in water. Bench-scale testing equipment is available to conduct both batch and flow reaction process research. Column-scale equipment is available for simulation of groundwater flow and direct **filtration** processes including **ultrafiltration** membranes. The bench-scale equipment is capable of **up to 200 ml/min.**

Laboratory pretreatment resulting in distilled water or deionized tap water is **available** at several locations. Disinfection can be accomplished with ozonation and chlorination.

They have extensive capability for organic and inorganic chemical analysis, microbiologic research, particle measurement, and **radiotracer** analysis. In addition to more standard instrumentation, the **laboratory** includes refrigerated centrifuge, Lambda 3 spectrophotometer, ion **chromatograph**, particle counting and sizing analyzer, atomic absorption spectrophotometer with graphite furnace and auto sampler, **W** visible **recording** spectrophotometer, electrophoresis system, photon correlation **spectrophotometer**, liquid scintillation counter. Organic analysis instrumentation is even more extensive than the inorganic analyzers detailed above.

The environmental engineering and science laboratories **total** 5000 sq. **ft.** Four environmental chambers are installed for controlled temperature research (**4°C, 20°C, 22°C, 35°C**). Computer resources **are** available in the Department Computer Laboratories. Personal computers and **terminals** with access to ethernet and mainframe computers (**IBM, Digital (VAX), and AT&T**). Adequate office space is available.

MONTANA

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Center for Biofilm Engineering
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The Center for Biofilm Engineering does not possess pilot plant equipment, but it is imminently qualified to **perform** biofilm research and development. The engineering research center has the capability to **do** bench scale evaluation of the impact of biofilms on **separations** equipment.

The **Center's** mission is to address industrial environmental and medical aspects of **biofilm** processes. It conducts basic and applied research to resolve industrial problems to strengthen U.S. competitiveness. **Industrial** participation is an essential part of research planning. Some of the Center's **industrial** associates include AWWARF, Amoco, Aramco, ARCO, Calgon **Corp.**, **Chevron, Clorox,** Cmcoco, Dow Chemical, Exxon, Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, Nalco Chemical, Olin Chemical, Orange County Water District, Procter & Gamble, Johnson Wax, Union Carbide.

Approximately 30 research **staff and** 40 students **are** available to support projects, with about 10 **PhD** principal investigators. They specialize in **biofilm** research, biofilm measurements, biofilm **simulation** and modeling.

NEW YORK

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

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Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute has been involved in fundamental hydrodynamic and membrane separations research **for** many years. Dr. Belfort is globally recognized for his work in this field. The membrane separations laboratory conducts fundamental studies with sophisticated analytical tools.

Although no pilot scale equipment is currently on-site, the facilities can be easily modified to accommodate pilot testing. The **laboratory** equipment includes reverse osmosis, **nanofiltration, ultrafiltration,** microfiltration (cross flow), Taylor Vortex Units. The flow **rates** are small laboratory type flows with variable cross-flow velocities. Flat sheet, tubular or any commercial membranes can be tested. The laboratory equipment, instruments and facilities are in excellent **condition.**

Brackish water, seawater, wastewater, wastewater effluent and synthetic solutions are available for testing. Instrumentation and analytical equipment include **ATR/IR,** ESCA, **SEM,** UV among others.

The research staff includes one professor principal investigator and eight graduate students. Special disciplines of the staff are membrane fouling and cleaning, module design and improvement. **Office** space is available, but limited. All types of communications are available, and both PC and MAC computers as well as **terminals** are on site.

Charge rates for **facilities** and services are by negotiated agreement with the university.

PENNSYLVANIA

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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The University of Pennsylvania was one of the early institutions to conduct experimentation for the desalination industry. Led by **Professor Lior**, it is also one of the few who have the capability to study evaporative processes such as flash evaporation. The department has particular expertise in **desalination**, heat transfer, fluid mechanics, thermodynamics, and instrumentation.

The test **facility** contains both small and large reactors for the fundamental study of flash evaporation, with complete instrumentation. Components for a facility for fundamental study of reverse osmosis and membrane distillation are also in place. Although currently not in use, the equipment can be made operable quickly, if funding is available.

Various heat exchangers (condensers) are available as well as complete instrumentation for precise **temperature** and pressure measurement, conductivity, and flow rates. Analytical equipment includes gas chromatography and conductivity in addition to the normal analytical equipment common to modern day university laboratories.

A support staff of principal investigator, **technicians**, graduate and undergraduate students as well as **facility** and **maintenance** personnel are **available**. All communications except telex are available, and office space is available on a limited basis.

Brackish water **feed** source is available in addition to tap water. The rate **for** facilities and services is negotiated by the university on a case by case basis. The **university** is anxious to participate in the centers concept.

TENNESSEE

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE I OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY

Center for Environmental Biotechnology
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The Center **for** Environmental Biotechnology does not have any pilot scale equipment, but is very much interested in continued involvement in the analysis of biofilms that foul membranes. They use the signature lipid biomarker technology developed by the Center for the in situ analysis of the viable biomass, community **structure**, and the nutritional/physiological status of the biofouling membranes in collaboration with samples **from** the Orange **County** Water District

They would welcome samples **for** analysis **from** the **Yuma**, Arizona BOR **facility** as well as others.

Assay types offered by **the** Center and their **affiliated** analytical company, Microbial Insights, Inc., include: phospholipid **fatty** acids (viable biomass, community structure, nutritional status, toxicity **Eukaryote/prokaryote** ratio), **poly β -hydroxy** alkanate (unbalanced **growth/Nutritional** Status), steroids (microeukaryote community **structure**, fungi, **protozoa**, algae), **Lipopolysaccharide** (identifies gram-negative bacteria), **diglyceride** (**DC/PLFA** dead to viable cells; community **structure** of each), triglyceride (**Steroid/TG eukaryote** nutritional status), respiratory quinones (**proportions** of aerobes anaerobic fermenters, and anaerobic **respirers**).

4.0 PRIVATE SECTOR COMPANIES

PRIVATE SECTOR COMPANIES

COMMERCIAL COMPANIES

In addition equipment available through governmental facilities, cities and water districts, and universities, many commercial companies own pilot scale equipment which they use in validating applications for their own produced product, or in completing engineering studies. They fall into the general categories of product or systems **related** companies and engineering consultant companies.

The companies represented below have indicated their **willingness** to participate in the "Centers" concept. A short synopsis of the company and its pilot scale equipment, if available, follows. The following list of companies is not intended to be a complete list, but rather a representative list of companies who were contacted in the time available for this initial survey. The use of the equipment, via rental, lease, or cooperative agreement, will depend upon its availability.

AMERICAN ENGINEERING SERVICES Tampa, Florida

AES has manufactured membrane systems for several years from their California **manufacturing** facility. They recently moved to Tampa, Florida to be closer to their main business activity. They currently have a seawater desalting pilot plant with nominal 8000 gpd capacity. It is a simple one stage system with manual controls. It rents for about \$200 per day.

DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY Midland, Michigan

The Dow Chemical Company acquired **FilmTec** Corporation nearly 10 years ago and is the largest manufacturer of spiral wound membrane elements. They offer thin film composite membranes for reverse osmosis and **nanofiltration**. **Ultrafiltration** is also offered. Their focus is on membrane **production** and **distribution** and they leave most of the applications research requiring pilot plant testing in the hands of their **OEMs**. They are **currently** testing a commercial **prototype** at the **Orange** County Water District, and have expressed a strong interest in the NWRRI programs since their inception. They have a 60,000 gpd trailer mounted membrane system available for rent or lease which accommodates either **nanofiltration** or brackish water desalting membranes. It is manually operated, with chemical pre-treatment, **cartridge filtration** and a cleaning skid

DUPONT DE NEMOURS Wilmington, Delaware

The DuPont Company manufactures hollow fiber reverse osmosis membrane permeators for seawater and brackish water desalination. Their current focus is on seawater membranes, for which they have the largest installed capacity of **all membrane** manufacturers. They have been particularly successful in the middle eastern countries. Although the company does not possess pilot plant equipment for research and development, it is likely that many of their licensees do. Time did not permit contacting all of the **licensees**, but it is safe to assume that the size of equipment available is approximately the same as with other commercial companies. DuPont is willing **to** participate in research programs which fit their **current** research direction.

PRIVATE SECTOR COMPANIES

FLUID SYSTEMS / ANGLIAN WATER San Diego, California

The Fluid Systems Company, recently acquired by **Anglian Water Company (UK)**, **manufactures** spiral wound ultrafiltration, nanofiltration, and reverse osmosis membranes for use in various water **related applications**. They manufacture both cellulose acetate and thin film composite membranes. Two skids are available which can utilize commercial membranes of **2-1/2"** and **4"** design. They contain pressure vessels in **2:2: 1: 1 array**, each housing 3 membrane elements. This allows either **parallel** or series connection, with up to **75+/-%** recovery. The usual commercial rate for rental is \$1500 per month, plus the cost of membranes. Cellulose acetate membranes (4") are typically \$225 and **thin film composite membranes (4")** are typically \$300.

HARN RO SYSTEMS Venice, Florida

Ham has **manufactured** small to medium sized plants for many years and in more recent years have manufactured multi-million gallons per **day** systems. Their pilot plant is nominally rated at 13-21 gpm and is a **microprocessor** based system, fully automated **and** multiple data point data collection. **Data** can be telemetered to a central location, allowing **operational** flexibility. **Their** pilot plant systems **are** typically mounted on fibre reinforced plastic **frames** to prevent corrosion, and stainless steel **tubing** is **electropolished**. Standard rental rates are about **\$5000 per** month plus membrane cost.

HYDRANAUTICS San Diego, California

Hydranautics is a commercial company which sells **reverse** osmosis, nanofiltration and ultrafiltration membranes. Owned by **Nitto Denko** (Japanese), **Hydranautics offers both cellulose acetate blend and thin film composite membranes**. **Their product** mix includes tubular and hollow fiber devices in addition to spiral wound, and is the broadest product mix **offered** in the industry. Their mobile trailer unit is a nominal **20,000** gpd unit with a simple **2:1 array**. Cost of **rental** or lease is about \$2000 per month.

IONICS, INC. Watertown, Massachusetts

Ionics is the pioneer in the desalting industry, having begun commercial sale of **electrodialysis** desalting equipment in **the late 1950's**. In recent years they have diversified by moving into reverse osmosis systems, water production, water sales, privatized plants, instrumentation and **several** other areas which make them a versatile company. They have several pilot plants, including both electrodialysis **reversal** and **reverse** osmosis.

OSMONICS, INC. Minnetonka, Minnesota

Osmonics is one of the early **manufacturers** of cellulose acetate membranes. They have historically specialized in the industrial markets and have many pilot **plants** for testing **purposes**. In recent **years** they have broadened their **product** line to include pumps, **instrumentation**, cartridge **filters**, and others. They are one of the **larger** corporations in the business.

PRIVATE SECTOR COMPANIES

ENGINEERING COMPANIES

Consulting engineers often conduct on-site pilot plant testing to verify performance **prior** to final design of large water **treatment** and purification plants. Most of the leading companies have pilot plant equipment, both skid-mounted for shipment, or mobile for rapid **transfer**. Although they are primarily used to aid them in customer related engineering tests, they are not always utilized.

When they are not in use, they can be made available for use by researchers, on a rent or lease basis, or by negotiating a cooperative agreement.

Listed below are some of the companies contacted during the initial phase of this survey. The list is not a comprehensive one, but it does indicate **the** types of pilot plant equipment available and the extent of their availability.

CAMP DRESSER MCKEE Walnut Creek, California

CDM has established a capability to design and **construct pilot plant facilities**, and has done so **for** municipalities and water districts. They also maintain their own pilot plants for use at various project sites.

CH2M-HILL Gainesville, Florida

CH2M-Hill have conducted pilot scale testing throughout the U.S. and particularly in Florida, where membrane softening has dominated the scene for new water treatment plant construction. Both skid-mounted and mobile equipment **are** available **from** this company. Typical charge for a complete, sophisticated mobile trailer mounted unit **is about \$4500 per month**. Exact charges **are** a function of the situation and cooperative **effort** negotiated. Both conventional and advanced **treatment** pilot plants **are** available.

MALCOLM PIRNIE, INC. Newport News, Virginia

Malcolm **Pirnie** has **several** plants which they utilize for engineering studies. They include: (1) skid mounted RO, **3-stage**, nominal 30 gpm flow rate, designed **for** pressures up to **600-800** psi. Estimated rental **fee** is \$2500 **per** month. (2) Single element test stand **for 2-1/2"** membrane elements **for** testing **nanofiltration** or reverse osmosis membranes. (3) Microfiltration hollow fiber test skid, nominal 2 gpm flow rate. Simulates **full** scale operation. (4) Hollow fiber **ultrafiltration** membrane skid with nominal 4 gpm flow rate.

MONTGOMERY WATSON Pasadena, California

One of the largest consulting engineering **firms**, **Montgomery** Watson has a wide array of pilot scale equipment available, including reverse osmosis (mobile), **ultrafiltration**, **ozonation**, **ultraviolet**, **ozonation**, **coagulation/sedimentation/filtration**, media filters, air stripping, chlorine contact chambers, **granular** activated carbon. Sizes range from 5 gpm to 1 mgd **The** company has an **Applied** Research Department, fully **staffed** to support research and development projects.

Table 6. TYPICAL COMMERCIAL PILOT PLANTS

CENTER:	COMMERCIAL COMPANIES						
LOCATION:	united states						
COMPANY:	Fluid Systems	CH2M-Hill	CH2M-Hill	CH2M-Hill	Ionics, Inc.	Memtek	
PROCESS:	Reverse osmosis	Membrane	Membrane	Conventional Treatment	Electrodialysis Reversal	Microfiltration	
No. of systems	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Skid mounted	x	x					
Mobile				x	x	x	x
Rated flow, gpm	15	15	15	5	17		30
No of stages	4	3	3				1
Elements per stage	3	3	6				
Element size	2-1/2", 4"	2-1/2", 4"	4"		Aquamitev .		30M10
Recovery, %	75	75	75				
Membrane type:	CA, TFC	CA. TFC	CA, TFC			ED	
Approximate cost (per mo)	\$1500.00		\$4500.00		\$7000.00		\$3000.00

NOTE: This **represents** a small sampling of **commercially** available water purification equipment, which are available for rental or lease.

5.0 APPENDIX

SITE	LOCATION	AVAILABILITY	LAB	PP	FAC ONLY	MEMB	BIOL	PRETR	DISIN	THERM	COST
California DWR	Fresno, CA	yes		x			x	-	-		OH=25%
Los Alamos National Laboratory	Los Alamos, NM	yes		x		x		x	x		TBN
NIST	Boulder, CO	doubtful	x								n/a
US Army Tank Automotive R&D Ctr	Ft. Belvoir, VA	yes		x		x		x	x		nominal
USBR R&E Laboratory	Denver, CO	yes		x							TBN
USBR Yuma Desalter	Yuma, AZ	yes		x		x		x	x		n/a
USN Civil Eng Lab	Pt. Hueneme, CA	yes		x		x		x			~\$25-50/day

TBN = To Be Negotiated

Table 7. State or Federal Facilities

SITE	LOCATION	AVAILABILITY	LAB	PP	FAC ONLY	MEMB	BIOL	THERM	PRETRT	DISINF	COST
Arlington Desalting Plant	Riverside, CA	yes			x						TBN
City of Cape Coral	Cape Coral, FL	needs work		x		x					TBN
City of Denver	Denver, CO	on hold		x		x		x	x	x	TBN
City of Everett	Everett, WA	yes, future *		x					x	x	TBN
City of Jupiter	Jupiter, FL	yes *		x		x					TBN
City of Los Angeles	Angeles, CA	yes			x						TBN
City of San Diego	San Diego, CA	yes *		x		x			x	x	TBN
City of San Francisco	San Francisco, CA	yes		x		x					TBN
City of Scottsdale	Scottsdale, AZ	future		x		x					TBN
Contra Costa Water	Concord, CA	yes		x *					x		TBN
Irvine Ranch Water District	Irvine, CA	yes		x		x			x		TBN
Metropolitan Water District	Los Angeles, CA	future		x		x			x		TBN
Metropolitan Water District	La Verne, CA	future		x *		x			x		TBN
Orange County Water District	Fountain Valley, CA	yes		x							TBN
Salt Rock WTP	Salt Rock, WVA	yes			x						TBN
Santa Clara Valley Water District	Santa Clara, CA	questionable		x						x	TBN
So, Nevada Water Authority	Las Vegas, NV	future		x					x		TBN

TBN = To Be Negotiated

Table 8. City or Water District Facilities

SITE	LOCATION	AVAILABL	LAB	PP	FAC ONLY	THERM	MEMB	BIOL	PRETR	DISINF	COST
Arizona State University	Tempe, AZ	doubtful									
Cal Tech	Pasadena, CA	no	x								
Clemson University	Clemson, SC	yes	x	x			x				\$2000/day negotiable
Colorado School of Mines	Golden, CO	no	x								
Colorado State University	Ft. Collins, CO	yes		x		x	x	x	x	x	45/19.8% (fac./lbr)OH
Illinois Institute of Technology	Chicago, IL	yes	x								
Johns Hopkins University	Baltimore, MD	yes	x								
MIT	Cambridge, MA	no									
Missouri State University	Berkeley, MO	yes	x								
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Troy, NY	yes	x								
Rice University	Houston, TX	yes	x								
San Diego State University	San Diego, CA 92182-0001	yes	x			x					
Stanford University	Stanford, CA 94305-4000	yes	x								
Texas A&M University	College Station, TX	yes		x		x	x	x	x	x	\$250-2500/day
UC Berkeley	Berkeley, CA	no reply	x								
UC Davis	Davis, CA 95616	no reply									
UC Irvine	Irvine, CA	no reply									
UC Irvine Wtr Res	Irvine, CA 92717	no reply									
UC Los Angeles	Los Angeles, CA	yes		x			x		x	x	
University of Arizona	Tucson, AZ	doubtful	x	x							
University of Central Florida	Orlando, FL	yes	x	x			x		x	x	
University of Colorado	Boulder, CO	yes		x				x		x	
University of Colorado	Boulder, CO	yes	x				x		x	x	

Table 9. University Owned Facilities

SITE	LOCATION	AVAILABL	LAB	PP	FAC ONLY	THERM	MEMB	BIOL	PRETR	DISINF	COST
University of Hawaii	Honolulu, HI 96822	yes		x							
University of Illinois	Urbana, IL	yes									
University of Kentucky	Lexington, KY	yes		x		x	x				\$800/day negotiable
University of Nebraska	Lincoln, NE	yes		x				x			
University of North Carolina	Chapel Hill, NC 27599	yes		x							
University of Pennsylvania	Philadelphia, PA	yes	x	x		x					
University of So. California	Los Angeles, CA	yes	x								
University of South Florida		yes		x							
University of Tennessee		yes	x								
University of Texas	Austin, TX	yes		x		x	x				
Virginia Commonwealth	Richmond, VA	no									
Virginia Tech University		no									
Washington State Univ	Pullman, WA 99164-65	no reply									

Table 9. University Owned Facilities

SITE	LOCATION	AVAILABI	LAB	PP	FAC ONLY	THERM	MEMB	BIOL	PRETRT	DISINI	COST
American Engineering Services	Tampa, FL	yes		x			x				\$200/day
Aqua Chem	Waukesha, WI	probable		x		x					TBN
Boyle Engineering Corp	Newport Bch, CA	yes		x			x		x		TBN
Camp Dresser McKee	Walnut Creek, CA	yes		x			x				TBN
CH2M-Hill Engineers	Gainesville, FL	yes		x			x		x	x	\$4500/month
Dow Chemical	Midland, MI	yes		x			x				TBN
DuPont de Nemours	Wilmington, DE	yes		x			x				TBN
Fluid Systems/Anglian Water	San Diego, CA	yes		x			x		x		\$1500/mo
Ham RO Systems	Venice, FL	yes		x			x				\$5000/mo
Hydranautics	San Diego, CA	yes		x			x				\$2000/mo
Ionics, Inc.	Watertown, MA	yes		x			x				\$7000/mo
Malcolm Pimie	Newport News, VA	yes		x			x				TBN
Montgomery Watson	Pasadena, CA	yes		x			x		x	x	TBN
Osmonics, Inc.	Minnetonka, M N	yes		x			x				TBN
Separation systems Technology	San Diego, CA	yes	x	x			x				TBN

TBN = To Be Negotiated

Table 10. Privately Owned Facilities

R&D FACILITIES SURVEY

One of the **goals** of the **NWRI facilities** survey is to identify institutions having pilot scale equipment, which can be made available for others to use for thermal and membrane **separation** R&D. If you have pilot scale facilities available and would like to participate in the NWRI R&D **program**, please provide the following information:

. Name of **facility**: _____

Address: _____

Name, title of manager, professor, administrator in charge:

. Owner of **facility**: _____

. Physical description of facility: _____

Pilot scale equipment

Processes available for testing: _____

Flow capacity (**GPM**): _____

Membranes available (type, size): _____

Auxiliary equipment

Heat exchangers (type, capacity): _____

Pre-treatment: _____

Post-treatment: _____

Disinfection: _____

Membrane cleaning: _____

Instrumentation: _____

Analytical equipment: _____

Feedstreams available:

Brackish water- Seawater- **Wastewater**__ WW effluent- Other-

Concentrate disposal:

City sewer- Surcharge **Off-site**___ Special **conditions**___

Computer facilities:

PC_x__ M A C - **Terminal available**___

. Condition of equipment, instrumentation, **facilities:** _____

. **support:**

Staff: _____

Supervision available: _____

Facility **caretakers:** _____

Maintenance: _____

. **Special** _____

. Special conditions: _____

. _____

Telephone___ **telex**___ facsimile- **Internet**___ **E-mail**___ **Other services**___

. **Photographs** of facilities

. physical layout (drawings where available)

. **Office space:** Available-

* Approximate cost to NWRI for use of facilities

Daily rate for facilities: _____

Daily rate for support **services:** _____

. Overheadrate: _____

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