Simply safe water

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A 15 Year Transformation

15 years from the launch of the very first NSF/ANSI 55 Class A ultraviolet microbiological water treatment system, VIQUA continues to be an industry game changer...



FLOW-METER RECAP



Flow-Meter Refresh

Dose = Lamp Intensity x Time (Flow)

VIQUA introduced the flow-meter in 2014 to give PRO units the ability to calculate real time dose in varying flow conditions

The flow sensor converts flow rate readings to a 4-20mA signal, which in conjunction with the UV sensor's 4-20mA signal, is used to calculate the actual real-time UV dose.

Dual flow sensing devices are used to ensure that the reading is safe and accurate





Flow-Meter Refresh - Monitoring



The COMMcenter has been updated to display flow rates along with dose readings.







Flow-Meter Refresh - Benefits

- Allows the controller to calculate the **real time UV Dose**
- Eliminated low-UV alarms due to low flow conditions
- Increased the **diagnostics functionality** of the COMMcenter
- Allows end-users to gauge when the sleeve will need to be cleaned
- Potentially lengthens the time between cleaning for systems that typically have low flow rates





INTRODUCING LightWise

Problem Statement

In some situations, a challenge that may arise when using UV disinfection systems is the **fouling of quartz sleeves** which surround the UV disinfection lamps. The rate of sleeve fouling is influenced by **water temperature**, **water flow**, and **concentrations of calcium**, **magnesium**, and **iron** in water – the most common materials that lead to "sleeve fouling".

Periods of no water flow elevate the water temperature in a UV chamber, accelerating the rate of calcium, magnesium, and iron deposits precipitating onto the quartz sleeve, thereby decreasing the level of UV transmittance through quartz sleeve until it reaches a level that necessitates sleeve cleaning maintenance.

Problem Statement

While actual water usage may vary significantly during the span of a day, **conditions of no water flow** can account for as much as **60% of the time**.

During this time, heat is transferred by the UV lamp, resulting in water temperatures as high as 55°C (131°F) in chamber, and significantly increasing the rate of sleeve fouling.



LightWise - How it Works

- 1. Upon detection of flow, UV system will immediately go to full power
- When no flow is detected for a period of 1 min, system will reduce lamp power to 50% or a minimum dose of 80mJ dose level



Performance Testing





Performance Testing



Sleeve fouling testing at the University of Guelph



Results – Sleeve Fouling



After one year of use.



Results – Service Maintenance



End-users can expect to extend their required sleeve cleaning maintenance cycle by a factor greater than 2X.



Results – Power Saving

Yearly Power Consumption - 2 x PRO20 Systems





Water Temperature After 6 Hours of No Flow





Monitoring

Controller indicator on the display membrane will flash green when the system is in "Power Save" mode (50% power).

Note: LED indicator will only flash if the power level is at 50%.





COMMcenter Update



COMMcenter firmware update adds a new screen – "Power Save Hours"

Note: System will only track "Power Save Hours" when the output is at 50%.



Problem Solution

VIQUA's new LightWise technology allows the control system to lower the power during periods of no water flow, leading to energy savings. This technology allows for a substantial reduction in sleeve fouling by as much as 60%. The main benefits:

- Significant reduction in **sleeve cleaning maintenance** >50%
- Estimated **energy savings** of 30%
- Water temperature is maintained below 40°C (104°F) in no flow conditions (reduced hot water shot on initial flow)

End-users can expect to extend their required sleeve cleaning maintenance cycle by greater than 2X.

