


Biological Wastewater Treatment

Shell Pulau Bukom Refinery / Singapore



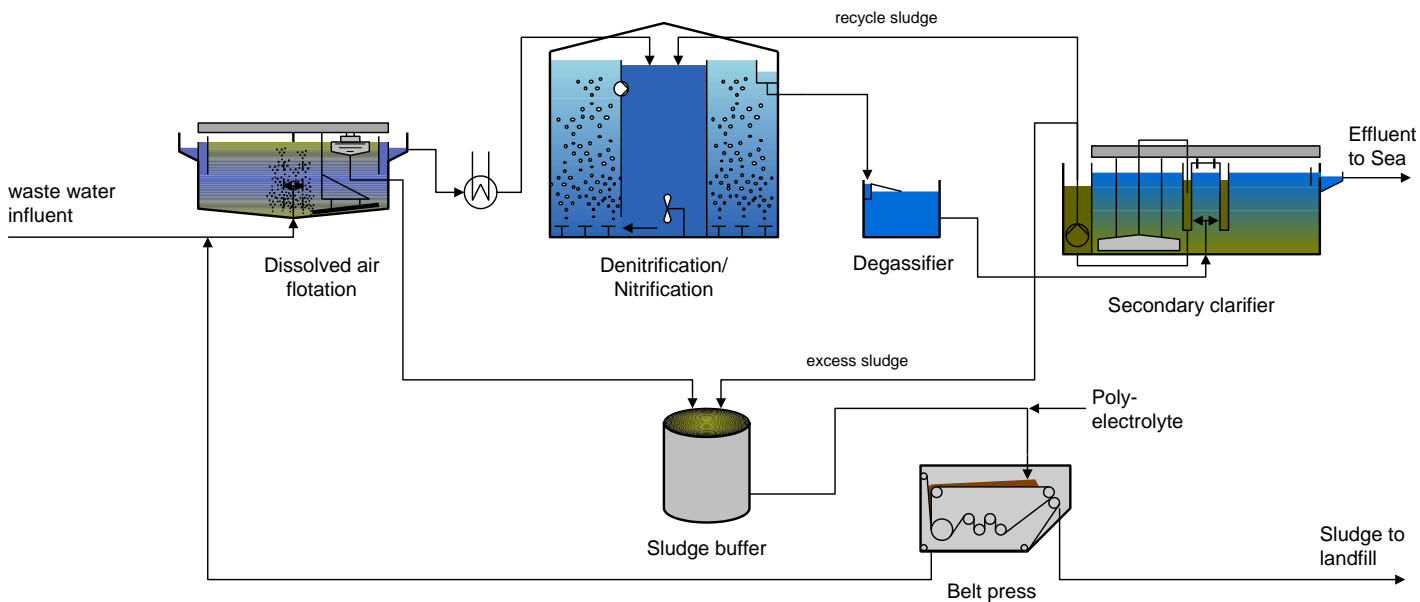
The treatment process was specially developed for typical refinery waste water and is successfully applied in more than 20 plants around the world.

The plant is designed for extended treatment of 7,200 m³ of waste water per day, making an essential contribution to curbing the pollution of the coastal waters of Singapore, into which the treated water is discharged.



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1. Objective

Treatment of the process and non-process effluents from the refinery

- Design data

Capacity:	7,200 m ³ /d
COD	800 ppm
BOD ₅	400 ppm
NH ₃	150 ppm
Sulphides	10 ppm
Phenols	60 ppm
Oil	20 ppm

- Treatment criteria

COD	< 100 ppm
BOD ₅	< 20 ppm
NH ₃	< 2 ppm
Sulphides	< 0.05 ppm
Phenols	< 0.05 ppm
Oil	< 3 ppm

2. Plant concept

- Process steps:

Dissolved Air Flotation, Lurgi Bamag
Deep tank bio-reactor with
Nitrification / Denitrification,
Clarification, Sludge buffering,
Dewatering

- Brief description

The process effluent is collected from the DAF and pumped into the Deep tank bio-reactor after passing a heat exchanger.

Chemicals are dosed in the right quantity and composition in order to allow for an optimized biological treatment.

The tank is designed with an inner reaction zone for Denitrification and an annular outside reaction zone,

aerated by Jet-Aerators, for Nitrification.

The organic compounds and the Ammonium in the waste water are oxidised in the Bio-reactor and the nitrate that forms is removed in the denitrification stage.

After passing a degassifier and a clarifier Basin the treated water is discharged to the sea.

The sludge produced in the effluent treatment plant, which is extracted by a suction scraper from the bottom of the clarifier, is pumped into an aerated sludge stabilisation tank and finally dewatered with a Belt Filter Press.

The quality of the effluents is monitored online for detection of overloads.

3. Characteristic plant data

1 Deep tank bio-reactor	
working volume	5,500 m ³
diameter	22 m
total height	15.5 m
aeration	
	3,200 Nm ³ /h

1 Clarifier	
diameter	28 m
depth	3 m
surface loading	0.50 m ³ /m ² h

Sludge treatment

Sludge storage	350 m ³
Sludge aeration	0,3 kg/s
dewatering capacity	max. 12 m ³ /h