

## PFAS - An Overview and Endto-End Treatment

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# PFAS - AN OVERVIEW & END-to-END TREATMENT SOLUTIONS AGENDA

**01** PFAS Overview

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# PFAS Challenges in Water, Wastewater and Solids **KEY CHALLENGES**



# PFAS Drinking Water Regulations Proposed regulation could require treatment of PFAS to very

Proposed regulation could require treatment of PFAS to very low concentrations

#### Wastewater PFAS Levels:

PFAS in wastewater from plant operations or events to meet current and/or future discharge regulatory requirements; can be complex waste stream for PFAS treatment technologies

#### • **PFAS Disposal**

The options of on-site and off-site disposal of PFAS, treatment media and various solids are evolving rapidly and require present and future considerations when approaching PFAS treatment.

# Regulations around PFAS in Waste and Wastewater FREQUENTLY IN THE HEADLINES

- "Maine bans use of sewage sludge on farms to reduce risk of PFAS poisoning" <u>The Guardian</u>
- "EPA issues guidance on reducing PFAS through NPDES" <u>Waterworld</u>.
- EPA Finalizes Rule to Require Enhanced PFAS Reporting to the Toxics Release Inventory - TRI data (<u>TRI-listed chemicals</u>) is reported to EPA annually by facilities from industry sectors such as (<u>source: epa.gov news release Oct 20, 2023</u>):
  - Manufacturing
  - Metal mining
  - Electric power generation
  - Chemical manufacturing
  - Hazardous waste treatment
  - Federal facilities that manufacture, process, or otherwise use notable TRI quantities



# **Scope of the PFAS Problem**

## Scope WHERE CAN WE FIND PFAS? EVERYWHERE



## Focus on PFAS one of a family of **CONTAMINANTS OF EMERGING CONCERNS**

Industrial organics

Pharmaceuticals and personal care products (PPCPs)





A continuously evolving number of contaminants of emerging concerns may be found in water, air and soil with potential harmful effects  $\Rightarrow$  This is an issue to tackle in order to protect human health and the environment



Pesticides



Poly- and perfluoroalkyl substances are a large family of man-made chemicals strongly resistant to degradation, the most common being Perfluoro-octane sulfonate (PFOS) and Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA). Manufactured since the 1950's. they have been widely used in multiple products, for example fire fighting foams and various coatings. Pathogens

**Microplastics** 





## What is **PFAS**?

**Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)** - family of chemicals, used to make stain-resistant, water-resistant, and non-stick products. Common in consumer products as coatings, on food packaging, outdoor clothing, carpets, ski wax, etc.

**Certain types of firefighting foam**—historically used by the U.S. military, local fire departments, and airports to fight oil and gasoline fires—may contain PFAS.

**Structure: C-F carbon fluorine bond**; strongest known chemistry bond Due to very high ionization energy of C and; nicknamed the "Forever Chemical"

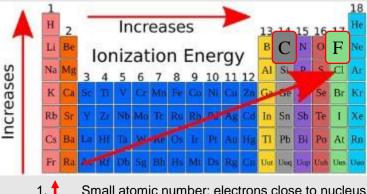
# of carbons - abbreviation - full name (molecular weight)

### Sulfonic Acids/Sulfonates:

- 4 PFBS perfluoro butanesulfonic acid (300 MW)
- 6 PFHxS perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (400 MW)
- 8 PFOS perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (500 MW)

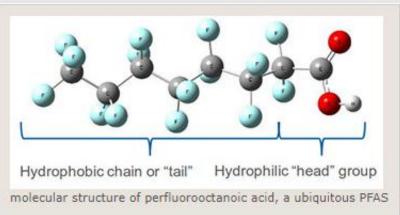
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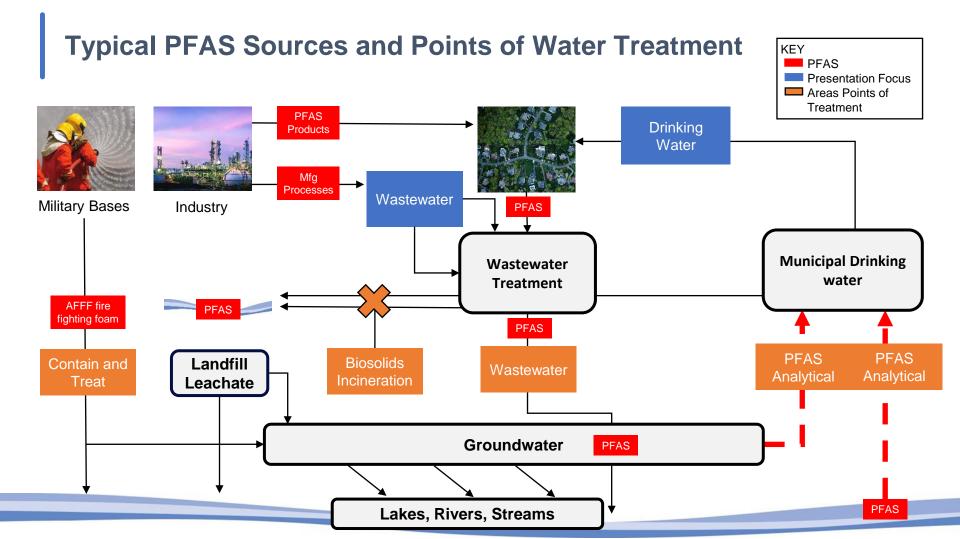
- 4 PFBA perfluoro butanoic acid (212 MW)
- 6 PFHxA perfluorohexanoic acid (314 MW)
- 7 PFHpA perfluoro heptanoic acid (364 MW)
- 8 PFOA perfluorooctanoic acid (414 MW)
- 9 PFNA perfluorononanoic acid (464 MW)



Small atomic number; electrons close to nucleus
 Electrons closer to nucleus held stronger

## For example; PFOA has 8 total carbons:





# List of some common specific types of PFAS

	ANALYTE	SHORTHAND	CAS	CARBON	FLUORINES	MW
1	Perfluorobutanic acid	PFBA	375-22-4	4	7	214
2	Perfluoropentanoic acid	PFPeA	2706-90-3	5	9	264
3	Perfluorohexanoic acid	PFHxA	307-24-4	6	11	314
4	Perfluoroheptanoic acid	PFHpA	375-85-9	7	13	364
5	Perfluorooctanoic acid*	PFOA	335-67-1	8	15	414
6	Perfluorononanoic acid*	PFNA	375-95-1	9	17	464
7	Perfluorodecanoic acid	PFDA	335-76-2	10	19	514
8	Perfluoroundecanoic acid	PFUnA	2058-94-8	11	21	564
9	Perfluorododecanoic acid	PFDoDA	307-55-1	12	23	614
10	Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid*	PFBS	375-73-5	4	9	300
11	Hexafluoropropylene oxide dimeracid*	HFPO-DA	13252-13-6	6	11	330
12	4,8-dioxa-3H-perfluorononanoic acid	ADONA	919005-14-4	7	12	378
13	Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid*	PFHxS	355-46-4	6	13	400
14	Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid*	PFOS	1763-23-1	8	17	500

\*Included in EPA Proposed Drinking Water MCL

# Scope WHY IS PFAS A CONCERN?

## Definition



Poly- and perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a large family of manufactured **fluorochemicals**, resistant to heat, water and oil

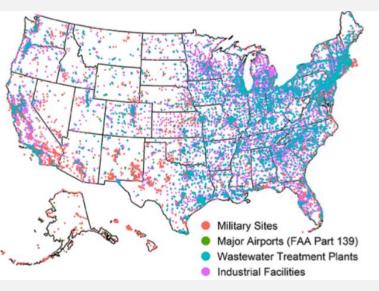
## Impact on the Environment

- Have the shortest and strongest carbon-fluorine bond, resistant to breaking down in the environment.
- Detected in drinking water supplies throughout the U.S.

## Health Concerns

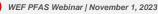
- Compounds are believed to accumulate in the human body.
- Certain PFAS have been linked to negative health impacts by the EPA.

#### Sites with Known or Suspected PFAS Use



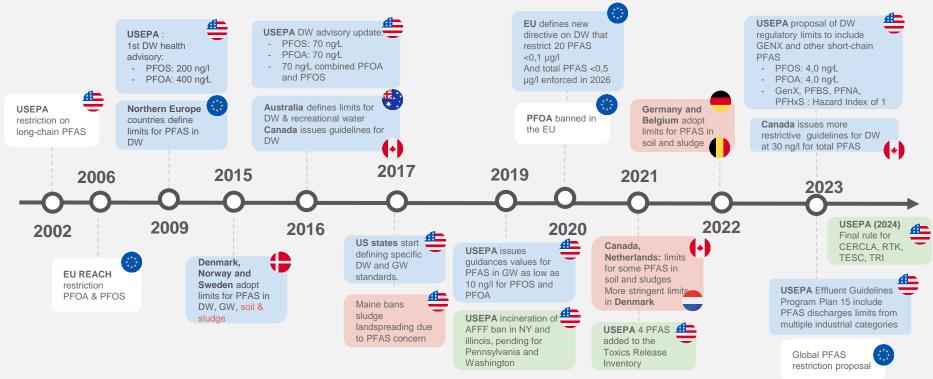
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#### Source: EPA.gov/PFAS



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## Scope REGULATIONS ON WATER, SOIL, SOLIDS, AND WASTE



PFAS is a global issue ... driving regulation in many countries...important to understand which apply to your location.

## Scope REGULATORY UPDATE

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### **Drinking Water**

Compound	Proposed MCLG*	Proposed MCL** (enforceable levels)
PFOA	Zero	4.0 ppt
PFOS	Zero	4.0 ppt
PFNA		
PFHxS	1.0	
PFBS	(unitless) Hazard Index	1.0 (unitless) Hazard Index
HFPO-DA (commonly referred to as GenX Chemicals)		

Final Rule anticipated by early 2024 Proposed rule requires compliance 3 years after promulgation



#### Wastewater

There is no specific federal regulation in place today for PFAS in wastewater

EPA chasing PFAS at the source has led to proactive initiatives by industry

EPA Certification of analysis method 1633 expected 2023; for analysis of non-potable water and solids



### Waste

EPA proposed in August 2022 to designate two of the most widely used PFAS, PFOA and PFOS, as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), also known as "Superfund." EPA is currently reviewing public comments received for this proposal.

In April 2023, EPA issued an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (<u>ANPRM</u>) asking the public for input regarding potential future hazardous substance designations for additional PFAS under CERCLA.

source: https://www.epa.gov/assessing-andmanaging-chemicals-under-tsca

\*Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLGs) \*\* Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs)

## Scope REGULATORY UPDATE - U.S. Federal Level

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#### How is the Hazard Index calculated?

The Hazard Index (HI) is made up of a sum of fractions. Each fraction compares the level of each PFAS measured in the water to the highest level determined not to have risk of health effects.

Step 1. Divide the measured concentration of Gen X by the health-based value of 10 ppt
Step 2. Divide the measured concentration of PFBS by the health-based value of 2000 ppt
Step 3. Divide the measured concentration of PFNA by the health-based value of 10 ppt
Step 4. Divide the measured concentration of PFHxS by the health-based value of 9 ppt
Step 5. Add the ratios from steps 1, 2, 3 and 4 together

#### Equation

Hazard Index = 
$$\left(\frac{[GenX_{water}]}{[10 \text{ ppt}]}\right) + \left(\frac{[PFBS_{water}]}{[2000 \text{ ppt}]}\right) + \left(\frac{[PFNA_{water}]}{[10 \text{ ppt}]}\right) + \left(\frac{[PFHxS_{water}]}{[9.0 \text{ ppt}]}\right)$$

**Step 6**. To determine HI compliance, repeat steps 1-5 for each sample collected in the past year and calculate the average HI for all the samples taken in the past year.

Step 7. If the running annual average HI greater than 1.0, it is a violation of the proposed HI MCL.

https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2023-03/How%20do%20l%20calculate%20the%20Hazard%20Index.\_3.14.23.pdf

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## Scope REGULATORY UPDATE - Canada

MAC\* Compound **Objective** (enforceabl e levels) The sum of PFOA **PFOA** 200 and PFOS divided by their MACs **PFOS** 600 should be <1 Total PFAS N/A <30 ppt

**Drinking Water** 

Federal Level: See table.

"Total PFAS" objective is vague but language suggests this could be applied to the PFAS in EPA Methods 533 and/or 537.1.

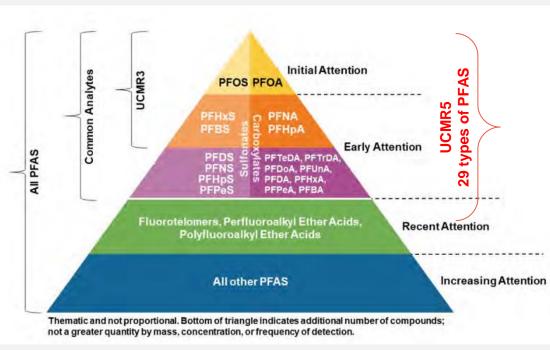
#### **Provinces, Territories:**

Ontario is developing new guidelines for PFAS as a group.

\* Maximum Acceptable Concentration (MACs) https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/environmental-workplace-

health/reports-publications/water-quality/water-talk-per-polyfluoroalkylsubstances-drinking-water.html

## Scope EVOLVING REGULATIONS



Source: ITRC - J. Hale, Kleinfelder

UCMR5: Fifth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule requires sample collection for 30 chemical contaminants <u>between 2023 and 2025</u> using analytical methods developed by EPA and consensus organizations. This action provides EPA and other interested parties with scientifically valid data on the national occurrence of these contaminants in drinking water.

Source:www.epa.gov



# **SOLUTIONS & EXPERIENCE**

## Solutions & Experience PFAS – SIX STEPS OF THE END-TO-END TREATMENT SOLUTION



# Solutions & Experience SAMPLING & TESTING CAPABILITIES



VWTS, Tomball Technology Center, TX US:

EPA Method 533, 25 types of PFAS, Average of ~60 samples / month, VWTS provides customized PFAS sampling kit



# Solutions & Experience US EPA PFAS Testing Methods

Method	Date	# of PFAS Types	Comments
537.0	2009	14	Drinking Water
537.1	2018	18	Drinking Water; added 4 PFAS Types
537 Modified	2018	18-34	Drinking Water; lab dependent
533	2019	25	DW; added 11 PFAS Types, shorter Chains
3512	2021	24	Non-potable water samples, Screening Only
1633	2021	40	DRAFT method Non-potable water, surface water, ground water, soil, solids, biosolids, sediment, landfill leachate and fish tissue. Single lab study, still going thru process Expected 2024

## PFAS Analytical Testing VEOLIA'S FACILITY - Tomball, TX

## **Quick Facts – EPA 533 Method for PFAS**

- Performance and Quality: 25 PFAS Compounds, 1ppt LOD
- Convenience: Veolia's Tomball Lab Supply provides customized PFAS sampling kit
- Throughput: State of the art automated sample extraction unit
- Flexible: Ability to customize methods to meet customer needs

### New, High-end Hardware for PFAS Analysis





## **Customer Application Areas**



### **PFAS Sample Kit available**

Tomball Lab provides comprehensive, non-certified Analytical Testing to meet customer PFAS detection needs

## Solutions & Experience TREATABILITY STUDY



All water matrices are different with a **diversity of PFAS** and presence of **co-contaminants** and **organic matters** which can **compete** with PFAS for treatment affinity. That's why it is necessary to implement some treatability study to determine the best value treatment, to assess its performance and to predict operating parameters.

Solution: Laboratory & bench testing capabilities

Rapid small-scale column tests (RSSCTs) are used in laboratory testing to determine contaminant treatment effectiveness for granular activated carbons (GACs) and ion exchange resins (IX) in a short time-frame compared to pilot testing.

**RSSCTs are performed on our laboratories** by reducing the GAC or resin particle size via grinding, allowing for increased mass transfer and water throughput.



# Solutions & Experience **PILOT STUDY**

**Pilot testing** - evaluate multiple flowsheets on-site in real-world conditions for several weeks or months to determine the optimal combination of treatment technologies.

• Compare different configurations of a separation step— such as RO—followed downstream by GAC, IX, and a novel adsorbent

**Pilot tests help quantify technical issues** that were not determined in lab tests, and can be **used for performance monitoring**, verifying **regulatory requirements**, and **creating economic models** of each alternative.

**Can be expensive propositions** if a structure needs to be built complete with equipment, components, pipes, instrumentation, and electrical supply.

• Operators can minimize these costs by employing **mobile** equipment to test multiple configurations on-site to determine the best flowsheet for each application. A mobile trailer is driven to the job location to treat and test site water, greatly simplifying the logistics of the pilot test.



**VWTS PFAS whitepaper** 

## Solutions & Experience DESIGN - TECHNOLOGIES OVERVIEW

### Separation technologies

Sorption technologies Activated Carbon (AC) Ion Exchange (IEX) Novel sorbents

Membrane Filtration Reverse Osmosis Nanofiltration Ultrafiltration

Foam fractionation

#### **Thermal desorption**

#### **Phytoremediation**

**Combined solutions** (Membrane + adsorption, AC + IEX...)

#### **Other solutions**

### Degradation technologies

#### Advanced Oxidation Process (AOP)

Electrochemical oxidation Supercritical water oxidation Chemical oxidation Combined & Other

#### Plasma

Thermal treatment Incineration Pyrolysis Gasification Other

**Combined solutions** (Membrane + AOP, AC + AOP, AOP + fungus degradation...)

#### Other solutions

Our system design is based on a **holistic approach.** 

#### We consider a broad range of technologies and suppliers: from pretreatment to GAC, IX to Membranes and final concentration including proprietary solutions.

We are also conducting a **mapping of other innovative solutions** on the market to be able to offer to our clients the best available solution.

# Solutions & Experience **DESIGN – ADSORPTION**

**PFAS** adsorption various medias:

- Activated Carbon
- Ion exchange resins

### **Considerations:**

- Types of PFAS long vs short chain, affinity for media
- Activity level empty bed contact time (EBCT) amount of media
- Overall capacity volume treated before media replacement

LEAPfas<sup>™</sup>: proprietary designed vessels achieving Ultra-Low levels of PFAS in effluent on a consistent & reliable basis.





# Solutions & Experience DESIGN - ION EXCHANGE RESIN



## Our solutions for adsorption using lon exchange resins

- 1. No proprietary technology, standard units from external suppliers
- 2. lonsoft® standard product
- 3. LEAPfas<sup>™</sup>: proprietary designed vessels achieving Ultra-Low levels of PFAS in effluent on a consistent & reliable basis.



Highlands, NJ



# Solutions & Experience DESIGN – MEMBRANE & FILTRATION SEPARATIONS



## **Our solutions for Membrane filtration**

- 1. ZeeWeed UF hollow membrane
- 2. PROFlex NF and RO can be used for industrial, beverage, municipal and reuse applications
- 3. Sirion ®Reverse Osmosis standard product





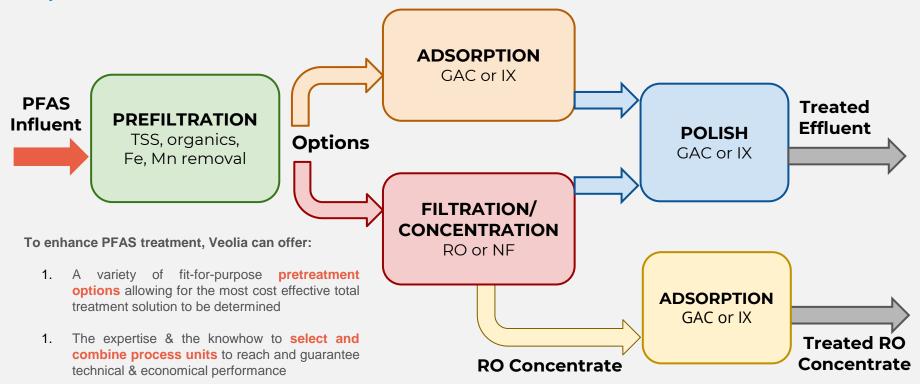


## Solutions & Experience WATER TREATMENT TECHNOLOGIES SOLUTIONS FOR PFAS

Technology	Pros	Cons
Granular Activated Carbon	Treats multiple water quality concerns Universally accepted Effective on long-chain PFAS	Availability/demand Competition from other contaminants Efficacy varies by type Less effective on short-chain PFAS Disposal/regeneration of spent media
Ion Exchange	Smaller footprint than GAC Designed specifically for PFAS, effective for more types Accepted by many	Single purpose Corrosion control impacts Disposal/regeneration of spent media
Reverse Osmosis/Nanofiltration	Effective for wide range of PFAS as well as other water quality concerns	High CAPEX & OPEX Treatment/disposal of concentrated waste stream
Alternative Treatment (novel adsorbents, water oxidation, foam fractionation, plasma, UV)	Potential for complete destruction of PFAS, more efficient treatment	Scalability Process safety Environmental impacts Regulator acceptance More study needed

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## Solutions & Experience WATER TREATMENT TECH FOR A MULTISTEP APPROACH



## PFAS Pretreatment – LOW PRESSURE (MF/UF) MEMBRANES

### Immersed



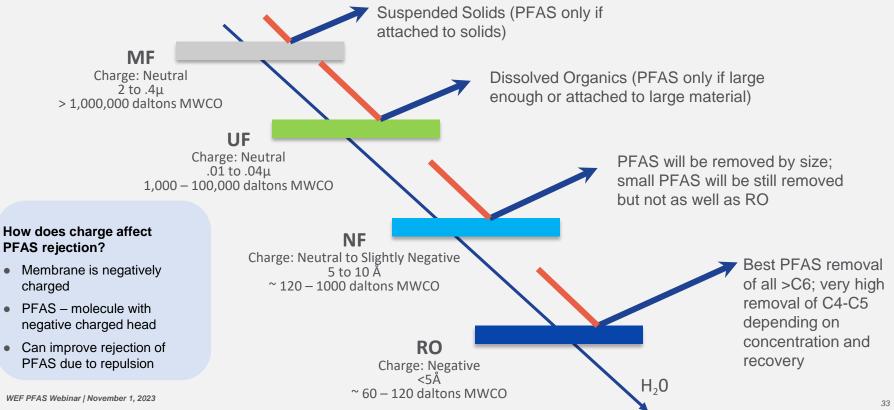
- Hollow fiber
- Low pressure, vacuum-driven operation results in low energy
- High density result in less footprint and installed cost for large plants and less lifecycle for medium-to-large plants
- Simpler scale-up for larger systems

## Pressurized



- Hollow fiber
- Higher pressures result in less membrane and less capital for small-to-medium plants
- Quick installation with skidded valve racks and less civil works (no membrane tanks).
- Inability to see fiber condition and detect a problem

# Solution & Experience MEMBRANE TREATMENT SEPARATION



## PFAS Membrane HIGH PRESSURE (NF/RO LAB TESTING

- Source well water containing PFAS (no spike)
- Test in lab on 2540 spiral elements (2.5-inch dia x 40-inch long)
- 3 Membrane types brackish water, low energy and nanofiltration
- Single element, single pass
- Composite permeate @ 90% recovery (10x concentration)
- % Removal PFAS =

   (1 (Concentration<sub>Permeate</sub> ÷ Concentration<sub>Feed</sub>)) \* 100%





## PFAS Membrane Performance – SOURCE: WELL WATER CONTAINING PFAS, NON-SPIKED

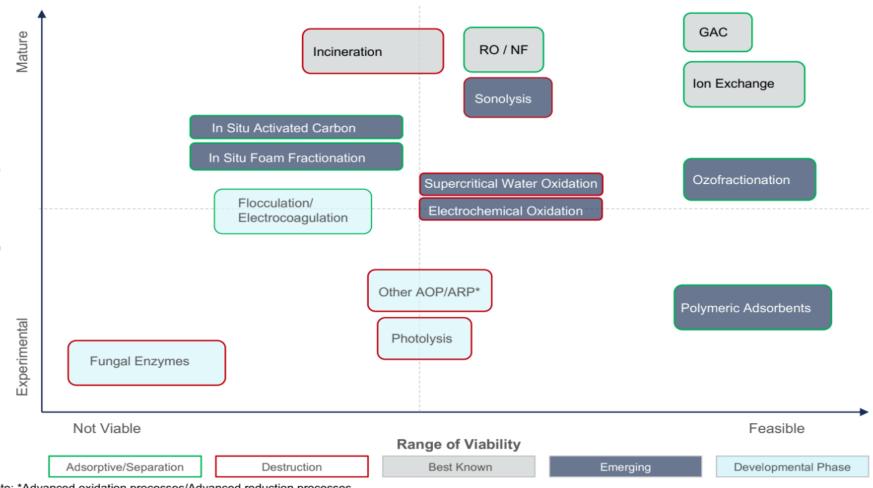
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PFPeA	264	5	28.3	<1.0	0	<1.0	4.1		290	250	220		BDL	BDL	85.5%	
PFHxA	314	6	25.6	<1.0	0	<1.0	3.4		250	210	190		BDL	BDL	86.7%	
PFHpA	364	7	13.2	<1.0	0	<1.0	1.6		140	120	98		BDL	BDL	87.9%	
PFOA	414	8	18.6	<1.0	0	<1.0	1.8		160	150	120		BDL	BDL	90.3%	
PFNA	464	9	9.5	<1.0	0	<1.0	<1.0		70	65	49		BDL	BDL	BDL	
PFDA	514	10	1.2	<1.0	0	<1.0	<1.0		7.1	5.3	4.2		BDL	BDL	BDL	
PFUnA	564	11	3.0	<1.0	0	<1.0	<1.0		16	12	7.9		BDL	BDL	BDL	
PFBS	300	4	3.8	<1.0	0	<1.0	1.4		38	33	25		BDL	BDL	62.8%	
PFPeS	350	5	5.2	<1.0	0	<1.0	1.7		53	49	42		BDL	BDL	67.0%	
PFHxS	400	6	73.0	<1.0	0	1.8	13		740	670	530		BDL	97.5%	82.2%	
PFHpS	450	7	3.4	<1.0	0	<1.0	<1.0		29	29	22		BDL	BDL	BDL	
PFOS	500	8	200.0	<1.0	0	2	13		1300	1200	780		BDL	99.0%	93.5%	
6:2 FTSA	428	8	14.0	<1.0	0	<1.0	1.5		120	100	87		BDL	BDL	89.3%	
8:2 FTSA	528	10	4.3	<1.0	0	<1.0	<1.0		21	24	16		BDL	BDL	BDL	
TOTAL			410.1	<1.	0	3.8	46.3		3,314.1	2,987.3	2,249.1		BDL	99.1%	88.7%	
* All values are in ppt Permeate results BD										lts BDL (belov	vdetection)					

## PFAS Hybrid Systems ADVANTAGES OF COMBINING MEMBRANES WITH ADSORPTION

- Membranes: less sensitive to chain length due to low molecular weight cut-off. Maximizes removal of short chain PFAS.
- Membranes: superior removal/rejection of PFAS (>99%) plus a "barrier" between the feed stream and the treated water - important for drinking water.
- Membranes: PFAS removal independent of the presence of competing contaminants, feed variability, or high TDS.
- "future proofing" of plant for other contaminants or changing PFAS regulations
- 3-4 times more PFAS removal per lb of media by pre-concentration with membranes than treating with IX/GAC alone, significantly reducing cost and footprint



PFAS Treatment Technology Landscape



Stage of Development

Note: \*Advanced oxidation processes/Advanced reduction processes

Source: Dr. Tanju Karanfil, Clemson University, Evoqua, Calgon Carbon, Bluefield Research

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## Solutions & Experience VEOLIA'S EPA APPROVED FACILITY IN PORT ARTHUR, TX

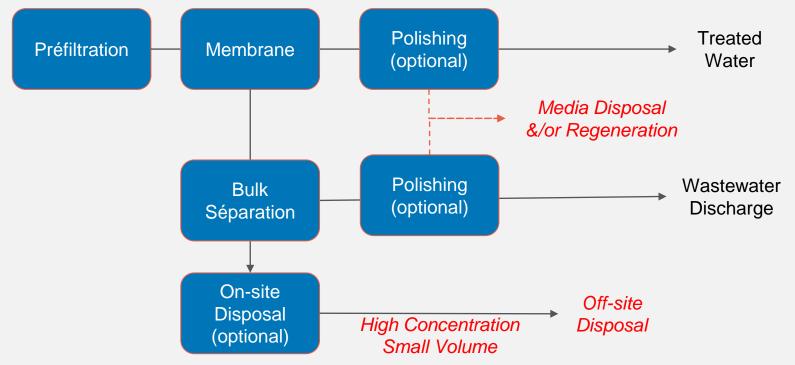


PFAS contaminants, which have been isolated and removed, can ultimately be handled through disposal at specialized waste management facilities.

These solutions are just beginning to be available at various locations in the U.S., and technology is rapidly advancing.



# Solutions & Experience FLOWSHEET OPTIONS



## Solutions & Experience PFAS – SIX STEPS OF THE END-TO-END TREATMENT SOLUTION



## Conclusion FOUR KEY TAKEAWAYS

#### **PFAS** environment continues to evolve rapidly

Expect drinking water regulations to drive wastewater discharge requirements. Proactively consider current waste treatment, its impact on PFAS and plan for future requirements.

#### **PFAS Regulation varies by States**

A plant's drinking water and wastewater may not require PFAS treatment today. Future EPA drinking water MCLs and wastewater permit requirements are expected.

#### **Evaluation of Risk**

A facilities PFAS risk in source water can be evaluated prior to testing by researching your water source and neighboring activities (industry, landfills, chemical processing, airports, military, fire events, etc.)

#### GAC, IX and RO are effective in treating PFAS

Existing operations should identify and plan for future needs in terms of treatment, GAC/IX media replacement, PFAS accumulation/breakthrough, vessel design, RO concentrate PFAS levels, etc.

Know your risks - Collect data - Understand alternatives - Be prepared - Be proactive



# Questions?

# **Thank You!**

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