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DesiUS
AT WWTPs
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WEBER ENTEC - THE COMPANY

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Focus of the R&D for the DesiUS has been the requirement to achieve the highest possible ultrasonic cavitation performance along with the highest machine reliability. The core technology of the DesiUS is the BioPush flow-through cell, which due to its high-performance surface converter generates a homogeneous cavitation field within the reactor. The energy efficiency and the impact on the sludge is significantly higher than with traditional ultrasound technology. On top of this the BioPush is, due to its design, 100% maintenance free.

Thus problematic substrates, such as highly thickened mixed sludge of municipal water treatment plants can be treated efficiently. A macerator is installed upstream of the turnkey plant. Its main purpose is to protect the machine from hazardous particles. Via a progressive cavity pump the sludge is fed through the sound field with controlled speed to adjust the required specific energy. A PLC control system along with all necessary sensors for process control and supervision provides user-friendly, robust and trouble-free operation.

DesiUS – High standards in efficiency and durability

- Very high efficiency – 50 % and more savings compared to other disintegration systems
- Very low-maintenance (required only for pump and macerator)
- High degree of operational reliability
- Optimized adaption towards the specific requirements
- Low space requirement through small and compact construction
- Easy installation through plug & play
- Quick pay back
- Clogging free
- Continuous process
- Treatment of substrates up to 15 % DM possible
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Balance example for a WWTP with approx. 200,000 population equivalents

- Reduction of disposal costs
  1.168 t through 8 % less sludge to dispose
  71,000 Euro per year

- Additional electrical energy gain
  368,200 kWh through 12 % higher gas yield
  58,000 Euro per year

- Additional thermic energy gain
  667,000 kWh through 12 % higher gas yield
  40,000 Euro per year

- Reduction of polymer costs
  1,2 t polymers at 5 % savings
  3,449 Euro per year

- Energy consumption of the DesiUS
  approx. 12 kW
  21,000 Euro per year

- Energy for nitrogen back load
  45,000 kWh
  6,800 Euro per year

- Maintenance costs (max.)
  6,000 Euro per year

Potential savings per year

139,000 €
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**APPLICATIONS**

- **Disintegration of surplus sludge**
- **Disintegration of return sludge from secondary sedimentation**

**EFFECT**

- Increase of biogas yield of up to 25 %
- Reduction of sludge waste of up to 15 %
- Improved dewatering
- Reduction of filamentous bacteria
- Reduction of viscosity

- Reduction of surplus sludge
- Improved denitrification
- Improved sedimentation
- Savings on external carbon sources

**YOUR BENEFITS**

- Gain of electric and thermic energy
- Reduction of disposal costs
- Saving of auxiliary substrates
- Avoidance of foam problems
- Improved digester agitation
- Improved CO₂ footprint

- Saving of disposal costs
- Saving of external C - sources
- Avoidance of bulking sludge
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Possible Integration

TWAS

Ultrasound unit

digester

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SERVICE

- System analysis to verify potential of cost reduction in sewage sludge operations
- System analysis to determine the use of sludge disintegration to fight bulking sludge
- System analysis to identify potential
- Mass balances
- Planning, manufacturing, installation and commissioning of a customised disintegration system
- Measurement and process technology support while transition into continuous operation
- Process optimisation while transitioning
- Quotation and implementation as a turnkey solution - no hidden costs
- Leasing models available
- Personal, competent and non-binding advice at any time

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