

A Lifecycle Performance Company

Nuese River Emissions Control Installation

The Integrated Biotrickling/Biofilter System

Today's Envirogen Technologies



We're an **environmental technology** and **process solutions provider** that combines experience in **water** and **vapor phase treatment** with **process development expertise**, delivering **long-term**, **guaranteed solutions** in a broad range of treatment and processrelated applications

Today, the company provides system design, process engineering, equipment and operating solutions for the treatment of groundwater, wastewater, VOC treatment & odor abatement as well as materials recovery for a range of industrial and non-industrial customers throughout North America.



In developing environmental and process solutions for our customers, Envirogen employs a distinctive range of high-performing technologies that are often 'best-in-class' in the applications in which we use them.

Bioreactors	Biofilters	Ion Exchange		Adsorptive
Fluidized Bed Reactors (FBR)	Built-in-Place (BIP) (High flow)	SimPACK™ (400 gpm+)	FlexSorb™ (5-150 gpm)	EnviroHPA™ Systems
Membrane Bioreactors (MBR)	B, P, BTF, & I- Series (mid-flow)	MinX™ (100-850 gpm)	HyperSorb™ (35- 3000+ gpm)	
Suspended Carrier Reactors (SCR)	H-Series (low flow)	MinFlex™	Reverse Osmosis	
	Biotrickling Filters (Biotower Scrubbers) (air) BT-Series	Service Exchange / Customer Supplied		



Today, Envirogen operates over a broad spectrum of industrial and non-industrial markets, providing a range of technology solutions for environmental & process applications in each area.

Industrial Markets	Non-Industrial Markets	Applica	tions
Mining/Metals	Municipal	Groundwater	Filtration
Chemical Processing	Federal (DOE/DOD/Other)	Wastewater	Boiler Feed
Oil & Gas (refinery)	Utilities/Districts	Process Water	VOC/Odor Control
Power	Water Service Companies	Resource Recovery	Chemical Purification
Manufacturing	Food & Beverage	Media regeneration	Residual Management
Pharmaceutical			



Sustainable Emissions Control – Air treatment technologies



Technology	Applications
EnviroHPA™ Systems	 Treatment, minimization & recovery from: Sumps Slop tanks Tank venting Flare systems Other
Biofilter/bioscrubbers	H ₂ S & biodegradable VOCs/HAPs

A comprehensive offering that removes a wide range of contaminants – H_2S , reduced sulfur compounds (RDS), and Volatile Organics (VOCs) from vapor phase applications





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Collaboration with Envirogen to guarantee performance & maximize the value of systems investment

- Guaranteed performance, repair and maintenance costs, and regulatory compliance
- Risk protection via performance and cost guarantees
- Improved budget management (avoid unbudgeted cost excursions)
- Cost-effective access to industry specialists
- A comprehensive EH&S Program
- Better utilization of capital (with DBO option)
- Predictable and guaranteed costs for the lifetime of the asset





Value Proposition

The Elements of a Lifecycle Performance Company

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- Deliver **solutions** to client needs based upon long-term relationships
- Integrate process steps built on a base of proprietary technologies that offer advantages on a lowest-total-cost basis
- Focus on targeted applications where our technologies offer advantage relative to the competition
- Always include service and support offers with performance guarantees for elements of operating cost within Envirogen's control, maintenance and process support



Laboratory & Pilot Capabilities

- Current staff has 50+ years of industrial chemistry, laboratory and • pilot experience
- Analytical equipment includes Graphite Furnace AA, Flame AA and • Ion Chromatograph
- Wet chemistry capabilities include standard procedures and specific • tests that relate to ion exchange evaluations
- Small-scale testing includes glass column media evaluations, • precipitation and filtration tests





Cross Flow Filtration

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Large-Scale Media Pilot

- Media and ion exchange evaluation using columns to several inches in diameter
- Kinetic column testing for media and ion exchange evaluations
- Testing of ion exchange resins and specially formulated selective resins and media
- Cross flow filtration pilots include ceramic, sintered metal and polymeric membranes
- Pilot RO system with 2.5-inch vessels
- Biological reactor pilots for on-site validation •





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Envirogen Biofilter Technology

Proven performance. Low operating costs.

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Biofilters and Biotowers

- Safely and effectively remove odor-causing compounds
 - Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) and Reduced Sulfur Compounds (RSC)
 - VOCs
 - HAPs
- Cost-effective alternative to traditional treatment methods
 - Lower operating expenses
 - Reduction in media replacement costs
 - "Green Technology"
- Small system footprint
- Currently 127 operating units at 90 sites
- Standardized base designs, with numerous options, covering applications from 100 cfm to over 100,000 cfm



The Envirogen Experience Advantage

- Envirogen team pioneered the use of biological technology for H₂S & reduced sulfur compound treatment as far back as the 1990s
- Currently 127 operating units at 90 sites
- From small to very large systems
- Predictive capability based on large experience base
- **Todd Webster, PhD, PE** "Wrote the book" on biological treatment for air pollution control. 20 years of leading edge bio treatment experience
- Yonghua Yang, PhD 25+ years of experience in biological treatment with 100+ systems designed and 15+ papers published





Biofiltration for Odor Control

Brief History – Biofilter Systems

- 60-70's: Biofiltration in Europe
- 80's: Biofiltration in United States mainly large inground compost type systems.
- 90's Present: Engineered Biofilter Systems & Biotrickling Filters (BioScrubbers)

Early Biofilter Design Limitations

- Subject to weather effects (drying, cold)
- "Non-Engineered" media (compost, mulch)
- High Pressure Drops
- Limited Media Heights
- Relatively Short Media Life Not Acid Resistant
- Short Circuiting
- 45 120 Seconds Retention Time Large Footprints



"In-Ground" Designs





A Look at Odor Types



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It's an assisted biodegradation process

- The natural process of biofiltration uses **microorganisms** fixed to a **porous filter bed medium** (media) to **metabolize pollutants** present in an air stream.
- The microorganisms grow in a **biofilm** on the surface of the media or are suspended in the water phase surrounding the **media**. High surface area media can support higher biomass area.
- Air containing gaseous compounds (H₂S, VOCs, etc.) are moved through the media. As the air passes through the biofilter media, the **contaminants in the air transfer into the biofilm and onto the media**.
- Microbes consume the contaminants as a food or energy source
- The end products of this degradation are typically water vapor, carbon dioxide, and mineral salts.
- Water is periodically added to replace evaporation losses and to flush toxic salts and acids.
- Nutrients are periodically added to maintain high metabolic efficiencies of the bacteria



Biofilter Components





Biological Filter simplified cross-sectional diagram

Other Items (not shown):

- Nutrient addition system
- Control systems PLC Based or timer relay
- Blowers
- Duct
- Stack (Optional)





MECHANISM:



Autotrophic BACTERIA:

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Thiobacillus



Hyphomicrobium



VOC degradation

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Bacteria

Fungi



VOC degradation is typically performed by **heterotrophic** organisms that consume carbon as their energy source

Applications

- **Pump stations:** H₂S, VOC
- Screening areas: H₂S, VOC
- **Grit cyclones:** H₂S, VOC
- **Primary clarifiers:** H₂S
- Trickling filters: H₂S, Ammonia
- Secondary clarifiers (not typically treated)
- Aeration tanks: VOC, Ammonia (not typically treated)
- **Final clarifiers** (not typically treated)
- **Sludge holding tanks:** H₂S, NH₃ VOC, Mercaptans, Organosulfides
- Sludge processing BFPs, Centrifuges: H₂S, NH₃ VOC, Mercaptans, Organosulfides



Envirogen Biofilter Lineup

Line	Models	Media (ft³)	CFM	EBRT (default)
Biofilter (H-Series)	8	120-680	120-2720	10-60 (30)
Biofilter (I-Series)	13	450-3900	224-8350	30-120 (75)
Biofilter box (P&B Series)	14	448-4176	450-1670	15-60 (30)
Biotrickling Filter (BT)	30	120-3500	200-14000	10-30 (15)
Integrated BT/BF (BTF Series)	8	140-4500	1500-9000	30-55 (40)
BIP 1-bay	8	2000-16000	2000-24000	20-60 (30)
BIP 2-bay	8	4000-32000	4000-48000	20-60 (30)



BIP 3-bay



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6000-48000



6000-72000



20-60 (30)



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Media Selection Considerations

How we do it. Why it matters.

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Design Criteria for Biofilters

- Biofilters are mass transfer limited
 - Dependent on solubility and biodegradability of contaminates
- Primary design parameters:
 - What are the contaminants?
 - What are the level of the contaminants in the feed stream?
 - What are the contaminant removal criteria?
 - What are the total odor removal criteria?
 - What media's should be used for the contaminants?
 - What is the flow rate (CFM)?
 - What EBRT is required for the contaminants?
 - What are the CFM/ft² requirements based on the contaminants?
 - What are the grams (X)/m³ media /hr. mass limit?
- These design parameters:
 - Determine the specific media designed into the system
 - Dictate the volume of media required
 - Determine the system type and model
 - Determine the pressure drop of the system





Purpose of Biomedia

- 1. Provide high surface area biofilms to the gas stream, containing the contaminants;
- 2. Allow biomass attachment to the biomedia surface;
- 3. Allow gas and liquid to be distributed evenly within the biofilter bed; and
- 4. Allow excess biomass growth to slough-off and exit the bed, without plugging the biomedia













Favorable Characteristics of Biomedia

- High biologically active surface area
 - Typical ranges: 30 250 ft²/ft³ or 100 – 820 m²/m³
- High void fraction (% of open space)
 - Varies from 15% to 98%
 - Desired > 80%
- Large free passage diameter
 - Provides resistance to clogging or plugging
- Low cost per unit surface area
- Low bulk density & good mechanical strength
- Low gas-phase pressure drop
- Ability to distribute water evenly and prevent gas channeling

- Inorganic nutrient content trace elements/nutrients
- Organic content alternate food source
- Water content holding capacity
- pH Neutral
- Sorption properties/porosity large surface area
- Bacterial attachment rough, porous, hydrophilic
- Material density, strength, durability, chemical
- Low pressure drop
- Low maintenance, No change-out- > 10 year life



Media variants





Clay balls



Polymer Meltblown



Hard Polymer





Pelletized and/or Extruded



Media variants





Coated Media



Oyster Shells Primarily $CaCO_3$ and reacts with H_2SO_4



Media Variants





Foam



Coated Media





Envirogen Media Portfolio

- ScorFil[™] inorganic, scoria lava
- VamFil[™] aged bark, engineered
- FlexFil[™] synthetic structural or random packed media
- Up to 10-year warranty



ScorFil™





VamFil™





FlexFil™





Acid Resistance Testing

ScorFil Acid Resistance test – 10% Sulfuric Acid



Control and Acid bottles after 11 years, 10 months

Acid sample close-up



Acid Resistance Testing

FlexFil Acid Resistance test – 10% Sulfuric Acid



Control and Acid bottles after 11 years, 10 months

FlexFil Acid sample 11yrs 10 months





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A sophisticated, low lifecycle cost solution based on field-proven technology

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Neuse River Specification Requirements

Design Parameter	Lift Station	Influent Pump Station	Primary Clarifier
Number of Vessels	1	1	1
Air Flow (CFM)	3,000	3,000	3,500
Fan Static Pressure (inches W.C.)	15	15	15
Pressure Drop thru Vessel (inches W.C.)	10	10	10
Inlet $H_2S - Avg/Peak$ (ppm)	5 / 25	5 / 25	5 / 25
Other Sulfur Compounds – Avg (ppm)	5	5	5
Media Detention Time – Seconds	30	30	30
Air Temperature	40° - 110°	40° – 110°	40° - 110°
Inlet Relative Humidity	50 - 100%	50 - 100%	50 – 100%
Dimensions – Maximum.	12' x 30' x 12'	12' x 30' x 12'	12' x 30' x 12'
Blower Horsepower- Max	15	15	20
Drain Connection Size, inches	2	2	2
Water Supply Connection Size, inches	1	1	1
Instantaneous Water Requirement	40 gpm @ 75 psi	40 gpm @ 75 psi	40 gpm @ 75 psi
H ₂ S Removal Efficiency – Min.*	99.0% or <0.5 ppm	99.0% or <0.5 ppm	99.0% or <0.5 ppm
Odor Removal Efficiency – Min.*	95.0% or <500 D/T	95.0% or <500 D/T	95.0% or <500 D/T
ETI Model	BTF-2000	BTF-2000	BTF-2400

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The Integrated System Approach

- Three distinct 'ecosystems' in a single unit
 - Low pH FlexFil biotrickling filter zone for H₂S removal
 - Suitable pH ScorFil biofilter zone for RSC removal
 - Neutral VamFil biofilter zone for RSC polishing
- Organisms that grow in these zones are different.
- Will provide better performance in each section and overall. Better than a single media system
- More efficient treatment with better reliability
- Longer media life for the project
- Better system design offers site environment and maintenance benefits

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Ecozone #1

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- H₂S treatment only
- High efficiency & performance
- 99+% removal of H₂S
- Autotrophic bacteria
- Continuous Recirculation
 - Humidification
 - Low pH ~ 2
- FlexFil synthetic polymer media
 - High surface area
 - Acid resistance

ENVIROGEN TECHNOLOGIES

ZONE 1

Ecozone #2



BTF Series



- High efficiency & performance
- Demisting of acetic vapor in lower section
- pH profile 4-7 Gradient lower to upper portion
- Reduced sulfur compounds
- Heterotrophic bacteria
- Long Empty Bed Retention Time (EBRT)
- ScorFil media
 - High surface area
 - High acid resistance
 - 90+% TRS reduction
 - High moisture content





Polishing Zone



- High organic/lower moisture zone
 - VamFil NC supplier
 - Pre-composted & screened
 - Long media life
- High efficiency & performance on tough odor compounds
 - Reduced sulfur compounds
 - VOC
- Neutral pH ~ 7
- Heterotrophic bacteria
- 95+% TRS reduction



Important System Features





BTF Series – Generic PID







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Lifecycle operating costs

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Lift Station: BTF-2000 (3,000 CFM) Estimated Annual Operating Expense

Description	Estimated Usage	Estimated Rate	Annual Cost (per Biofilter Unit)
Water Usage	70,000 gal/yr	\$ 0.00394 *	\$275.80
Nutrient Usage	54 lbs/year	\$1.20/lb.	\$64.80
Electrical Usage	57,236,74 kW-hr/yr	\$0.06/kW-hr **	\$3,434.20
Media Replacement	2,023 CF	\$9,710/event	\$971.00 ***
Total			\$4,745.80

- * Raleigh NC Non-Residential Unit Water Rate (Inside City Limits)
- ** Assumed Electric Unit Consumption Rate to be verified against local electric consumption rate.
- *** Annualized Media Replacement Cost Estimated at 10-years Media Life. Does not include Labor and Equipment Rental. Owner to prepay and add for media shipping.

Annual Electrical Operating Cost per Biofilter Unit Calculation:

Equipment	Volts	Amps	Watts	Usage	kW-hr	kW-hr/yr	Unit Cost	Annual Cost
Blower Motor	460		5,406.3	Continuous ⁽¹⁾	5.4063	47,359.2		
Recirculation Pump	460		1,118.5	Continuous ⁽²⁾	1.1185	9,798.06		
Nutrient Pump	120	1.7	204	Intermittent ⁽³⁾	0.24	70.08		
Water Panel	120		32.2	Intermittent ⁽⁴⁾	0.0322	9.4		
				Totals		57,236.74	\$ 0.06	\$3,434.20

⁽¹⁾ 10-HP Blower Motor operating continuously at 7.25 bhp x 0.7457 kW/hp = 5.4063 kilowatts-hr

⁽²⁾ 1.5-HP Recirculation Pump Motor operating continuously at 1.5 bhp x 0.7457 kW/hp =

1.1185 kilowatts-hr

⁽³⁾1/30-HP Nutrient Pump operating 48 minutes/day

⁽⁴⁾Two (2) Solenoid Valves operating 48 minutes/day



Pump Station: BTF-2000 (3,000 CFM) Estimated Annual Operating Expense

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Recirculation Pump	460		1,118.5	Continuous ⁽²⁾	1.1185	9,798.06		
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Primary Clarifier: BTF-2400 (3,500 CFM) Estimated Annual Operating Expense

Description	Estimated Usage	Estimated Rate	Annual Cost (per Biofilter Unit)
Water Usage	80,000 gal/yr	\$ 0.00394 *	\$315.20
Nutrient Usage	62 lbs/year	\$1.20/lb.	\$74.40
Electrical Usage	66,316.44 kW-hr/yr	\$0.06/kW-hr **	\$3,978.98
Media Replacement	2,406 CF	\$11,490/event	\$1,149.00 ***
Total			\$5,517.58

* Raleigh NC Non-Residential Unit Water Rate (Inside City Limits)

** Assumed Electric Unit Consumption Rate to be verified against local electric consumption rate.

*** Annualized Media Replacement Cost Estimated at 10-years Media Life. Does not include Labor and Equipment Rental. Owner to prepay and add for media shipping.

Annual Electrical Operating Cost per Biofilter Unit Calculation:

Equipment	Volts	Amps	Watts	Usage	kW-hr	kW-hr/yr	Unit Cost	Annual Cost
Blower Motor	460		6442.8	Continuous ⁽¹⁾	6.4428	56,438.9		
Recirculation Pump	460		1,118.5	Continuous ⁽²⁾	1.1185	9,798.06		
Nutrient Pump	120	1.7	204	Intermittent ⁽³⁾	0.24	70.08		
Water Panel	120		32.2	Intermittent ⁽⁴⁾	0.0322	9.4		
				Totals		66,316.44	\$ 0.06	\$3,978.98

 $^{(1)}$ 10-HP Blower Motor operating continuously at 8.64 bhp x 0.7457 kW/hp = 6.4428 kilowatts-hr

 $^{(2)}$ 1.5-HP Recirculation Pump Motor operating continuously at 1.5 bhp x 0.7457 kW/hp =

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Preventive Maintenance

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- Check system periodically
- Log pH of recirculation water, system pressure drop, nutrient level, water usage
- Check filter delta pressure & replace as needed. We recommend change filter elements every 2 to 3 months on water supply line to irrigation system
- Check for air leaks, water leaks
- Check air flow
- Change belts on blower drive once per year; check alignment
- Grease pillow block bearings on blower drive shaft (2 each) every 3-6 months
- Provide nutrient for dilution into nutrient tank irrigation system, as needed
- Periodic cleaning and flushing of nutrient tank
- Change irrigation sprinkler system nozzles and or clean on decrease pressure as needed

- Check temperature air every 3-6 months
- Check pH water in drain every 3-6 months
- Air flow monitoring from each source; non-invasive anemometer (non-thermal device only) every 3-6 months
- Monitor 4 to 5 day inlet and discharge for H₂S every 3-6 months
- Measure pressure drop across biofilter every 3-6 months.
- Check filters for nutrient water every 3-6 months
- Monitor pressure of gauges for irrigation system every 3-6 months
- Check pressure regulator setting (gauged) on nutrient water every 3-6 months
- Record amp L1, L2, L3 blower every 3-6 months



Long Term Service Agreement Definition

At start up acclimation period: Quarterly for first year perform the following:

- Check temperature air
- Media bed temp
- pH water in drain
- Air flow monitoring from each source non evasive anemometer (none thermal device only)
- Monitor 4 to 5 day inlet and discharge for H₂S
- Measure pressure drop across biofilter and grease mist eliminators
- Check filters for nutrient water
- Monitor pressure of gauges
 for irrigation system
- Pressure regulator setting (gauged) on nutrient water
- Record amp L1, L2, L3
 blower

Maintenance and Monitoring program. As noted below, perform the following:

- Change belts on blower drive once year check alignment.
- Grease pillow block bearings on blower drive shaft (2 each) every 3-6 months
- Change filter elements every 2 to 3 months on water supply line to irrigation system
- Provide nutrient (55 gal drum) for dilution into nutrient tank irrigation system as needed.
- Periodic cleaning and flushing of nutrient tank.
- Change irrigation sprinkler system nozzles and or clean on decrease pressure as needed
- Check temperature air every 3-6 months
- Check pH water in drain every 3-6 months
- Sir flow monitoring from each source noninvasive anemometer (non-thermal device only) every 3-6 months
- Monitor 4 to 5 day inlet and discharge for $\rm H_2S$ every 3-6 months
- Measure pressure drop across biofilter and grease mist eliminators every 3-6 months.
- Check filters for nutrient water every 3-6 months
- Monitor pressure of gauges for irrigation system every 3-6 months
- Check pressure regulator setting (gauged) on nutrient water every 3-6 months
- Record amp L1, L2, L3 blower every 3-6 months

On 3, 5, 7, and 10 year mark sample system to determine biomass health, and media plugging or other potential life cycle issues

 Media should be sent for testing and evaluation



Summary

- Robust treatment system:
 - Three Ecosystem zones for optimum performance
 - 99+% H₂S reduction
 - 95+ % reduced sulfur compound and VOC reduction
 - Adapts to changing odor sources and levels.
- Ease of installation
 - Position and load media
 - Exterior irrigation piping for quick assembly
- Ease of Maintenance
 - Flange connections for upper nozzle removal and inspection
 - Flange connections for intermediate layer drip line inspection
 - Large manways for media loading and interior inspection
 - Irrigation panel control system versus exterior mounted solenoids, etc....
 - Unified FRP construction No air leaks typically associated with bolt and gasket designs
 - No metal exposed to H₂S (acidic air) and stainless steel metal components (bolts, panels, etc) exposed to atmosphere..





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