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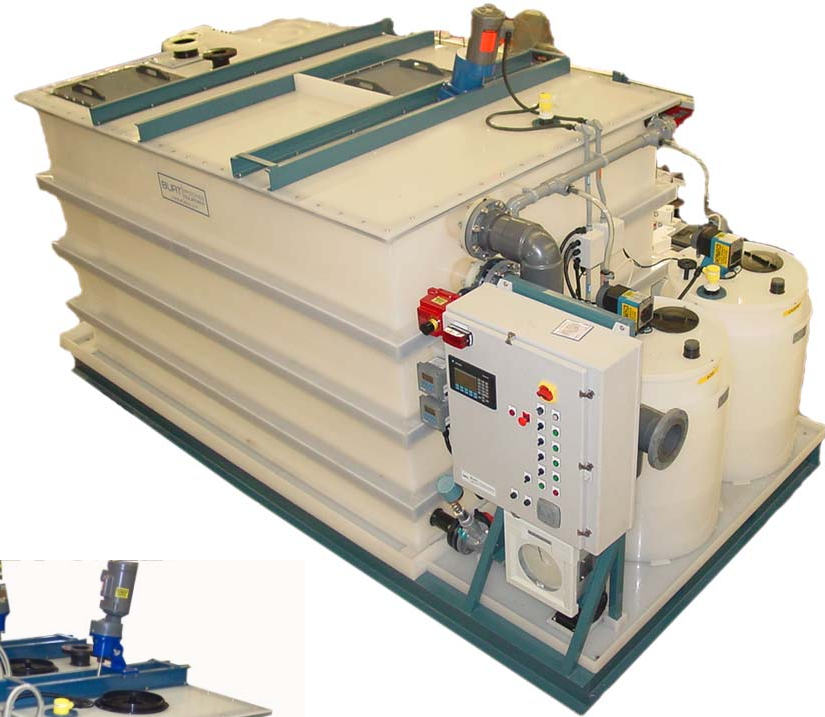
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# Active Waste Treatment Systems







# What is an Active Waste Treatment System?



An active waste system is a system that treats waste based on real time pH feed back via the controlled inject of acid and caustic reagents.





# Typical Applications

**Power Industry**

**Semiconductors**

**Pharmaceuticals**

**Clean Room**

**Food and Beverage**

**Research Labs**

**Schools and Academia**

**Municipal**





# pH Theory

## pH Scale

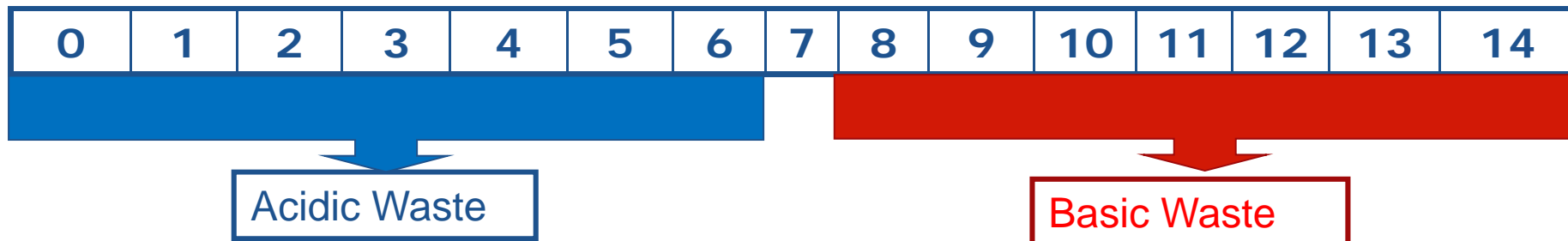


*Lemon  
Juice*

*Orange  
Juice*

*Soap*

*Bleach*



*pH is logarithmic by nature*

$10^7$	$10^6$	$10^5$	$10^4$	$10^3$	$10^2$	$10^1$	0	$10^{-1}$	$10^{-2}$	$10^{-3}$	$10^{-4}$	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-6}$	$10^{-7}$
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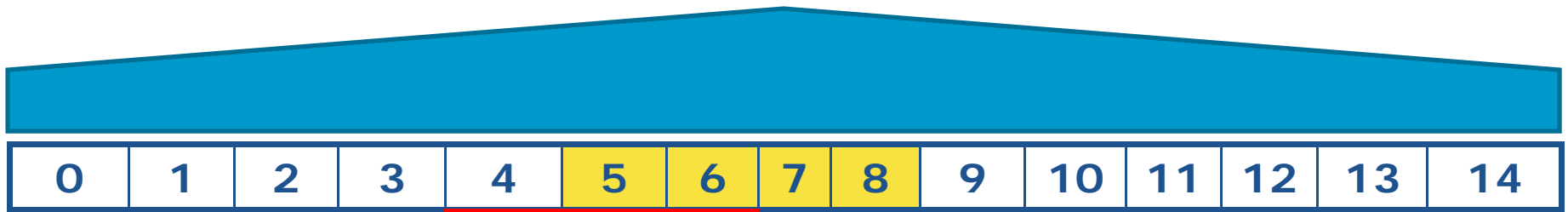




# Active vs. Passive Systems

## pH Range

Active Systems



Passive  
Systems

*Typical  
Effluent  
Required  
Range*

### ***Passive Systems***

- Single direction treatment
- Unable to treat strong waste streams

### ***Active Systems***

- Can Treat in both directions
- Can treat waste of any strength

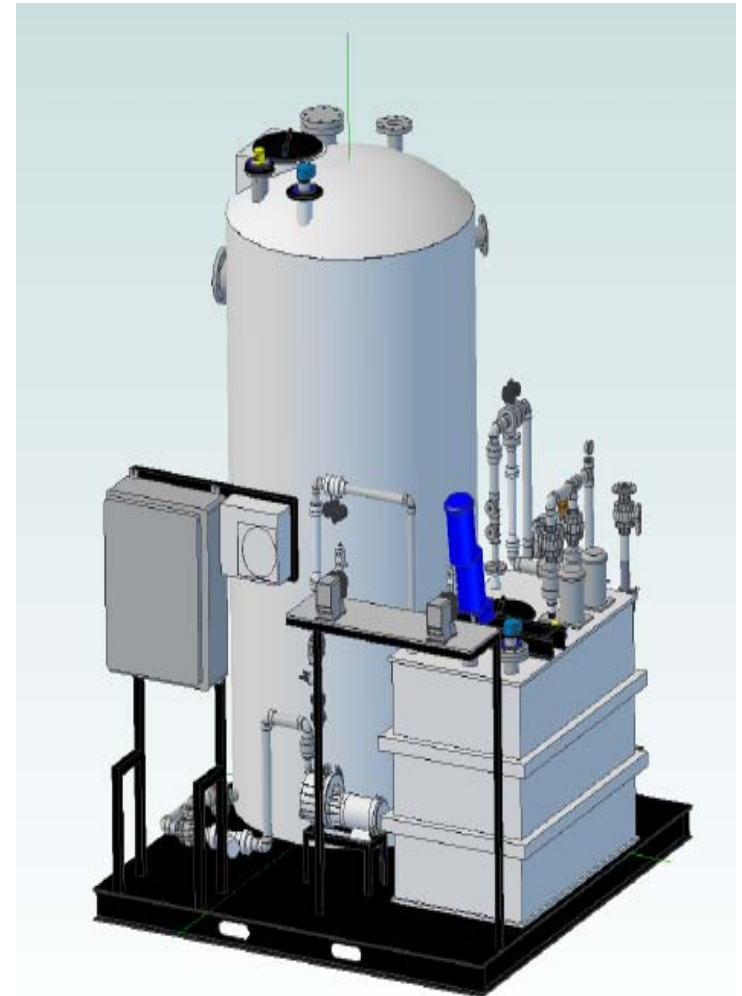




# pH System Designs

There are three main styles of pH adjustment systems

- Flow through systems
- Batch treatment systems
- Hybrid flow/batch systems





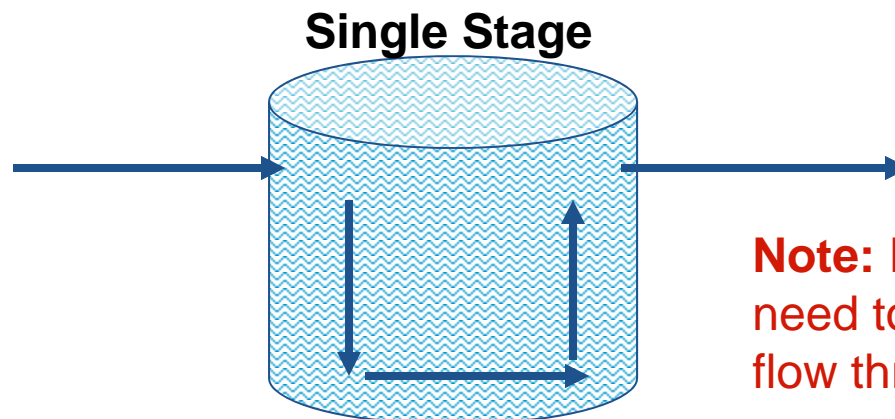


# pH System Design Flow Through Systems

Flow through systems are designed to treat the waste on a continuous basis over a number of stages. They are designed based on the residence time determined for the given flow rate and influent pH.

- Residence time is the theoretical measurement of the average amount of time the waste will be treated in the treatment tank. Larger flow rates and more acidic/basic waste streams will require a higher residence time. Average residence time is 20 minutes.
- The number of stages is the number of in-series treatment tanks. The number of stages is based on the flow and nature of the pH.

**Flow Pattern:**  
determines  
residence  
time

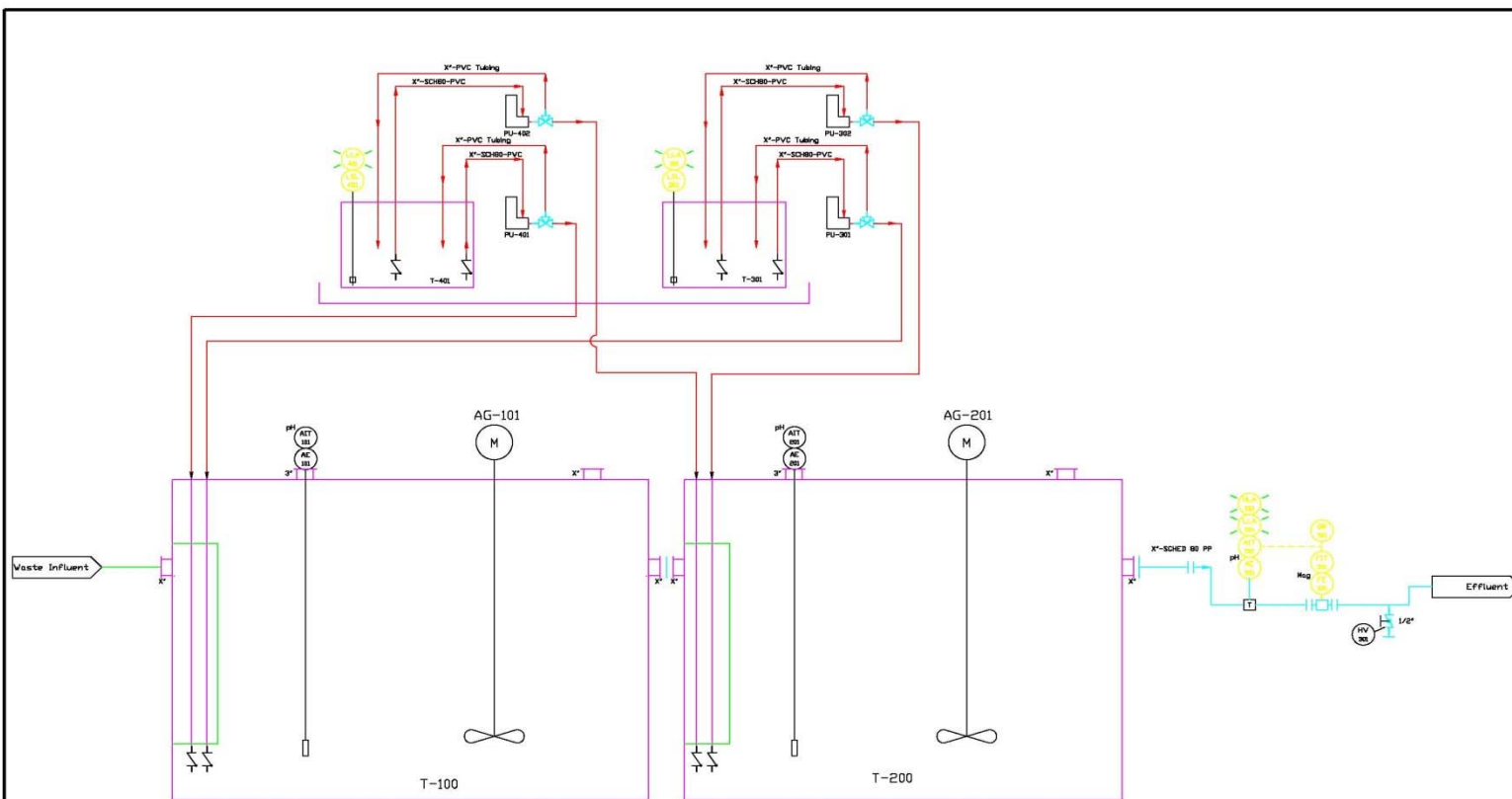


**Note:** Influent flow does not need to be continuous in a flow through system.





# pH System Design Flow Through



<b>PU-301/PU-302</b> Acid Reagent Metering Pump Manufacturer: Pulsatron Model #: LPH3EA-VTDC-XXX XX GPH @ XXX PSI	<b>AG-101</b> 1st Stage Neutralization Tank Agitator Manufacturer: EMI Model #: XX-X Motor: XX HP, XXX VAC\3PH\60HZ	<b>T-301</b> Acid Reagent Tank	<b>T-100</b> 1st Stage Neutralization MDO, Natural Polypropylene Working Volume = XXXX Gallons
<b>PU-401/PU-402</b> Caustic Reagent Metering Pump Manufacturer: Pulsatron Model #: LPH3EA-VTDC-XXX XX GPH @ XXX PSI	<b>AG-102</b> 2nd Stage Neutralization Tank Agitator Manufacturer: EMI Model #: XX-X Motor: XX HP, XXX VAC\3PH\60HZ	<b>T-401</b> Gallon Caustic Reagent Tank	<b>T-200</b> 2nd Stage Neutralization MDO, Natural Polypropylene Working Capacity = XXXX Gal.

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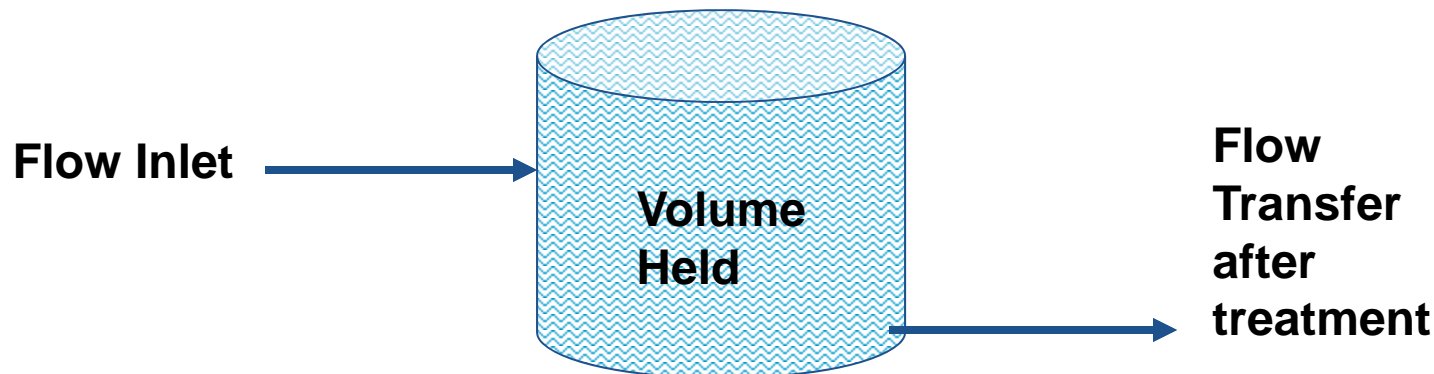


# pH System Design Batch Systems

Batch systems are designed to treat a volume of waste until neutralized at which point the current batch is discharged and another batch volume is added to the system. Residence time is not a factor as the batch system treats the waste for as long as necessary.

- Batch systems have the advantage of being able to handle waste of essentially any pH. They also have no risk of producing out of compliance waste.
- Their primary disadvantage is they reduce throughput of the system.

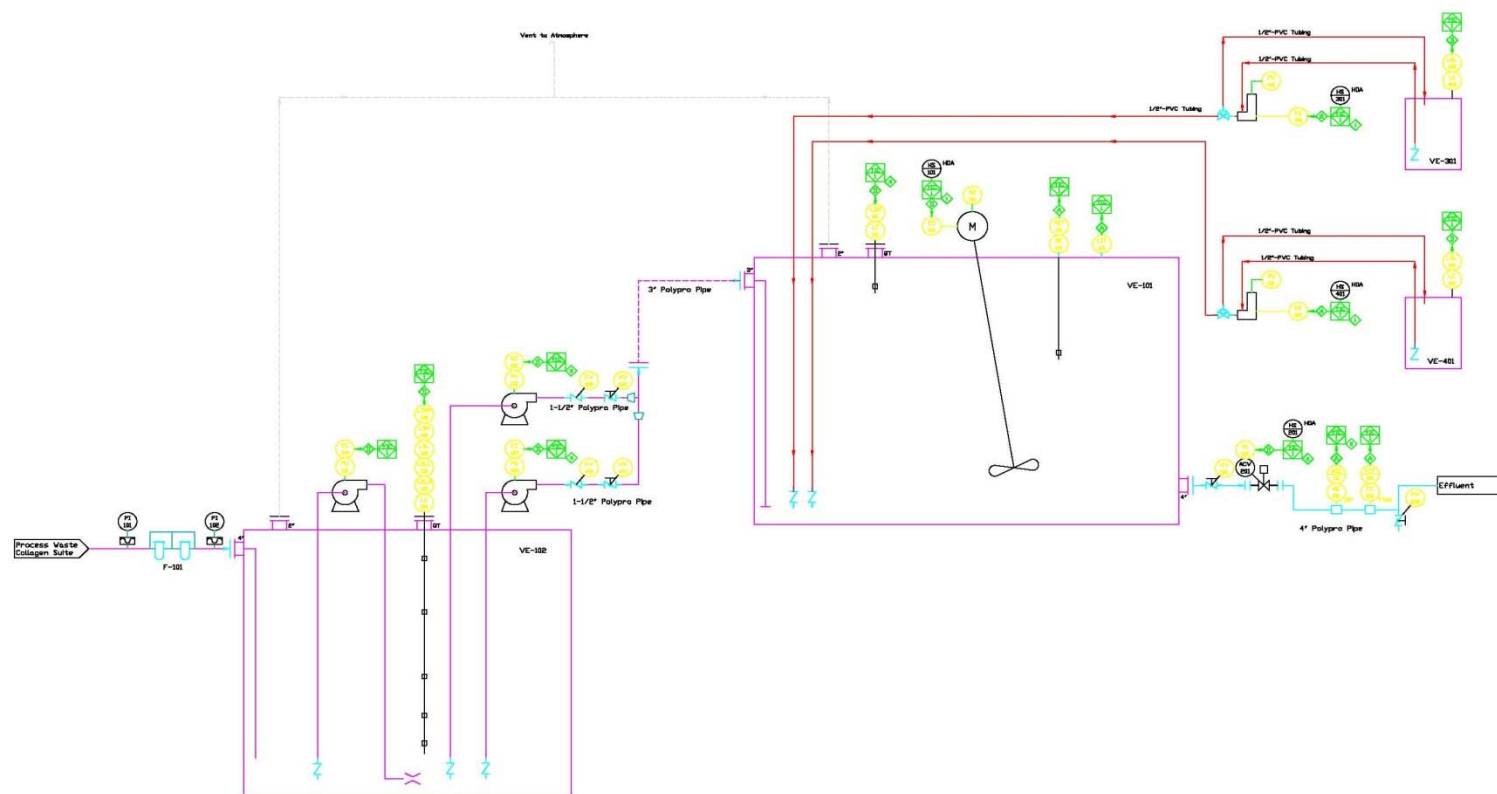
## Batch flow Pattern







# pH System Design Batch



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# pH System Design Hybrid Systems (ACS)

Hybrid systems employ the benefits of the throughput capability of the flow through systems with the additional residence time and compliance control of batch systems. This is referred to as the Assured Compliance System (ACS).

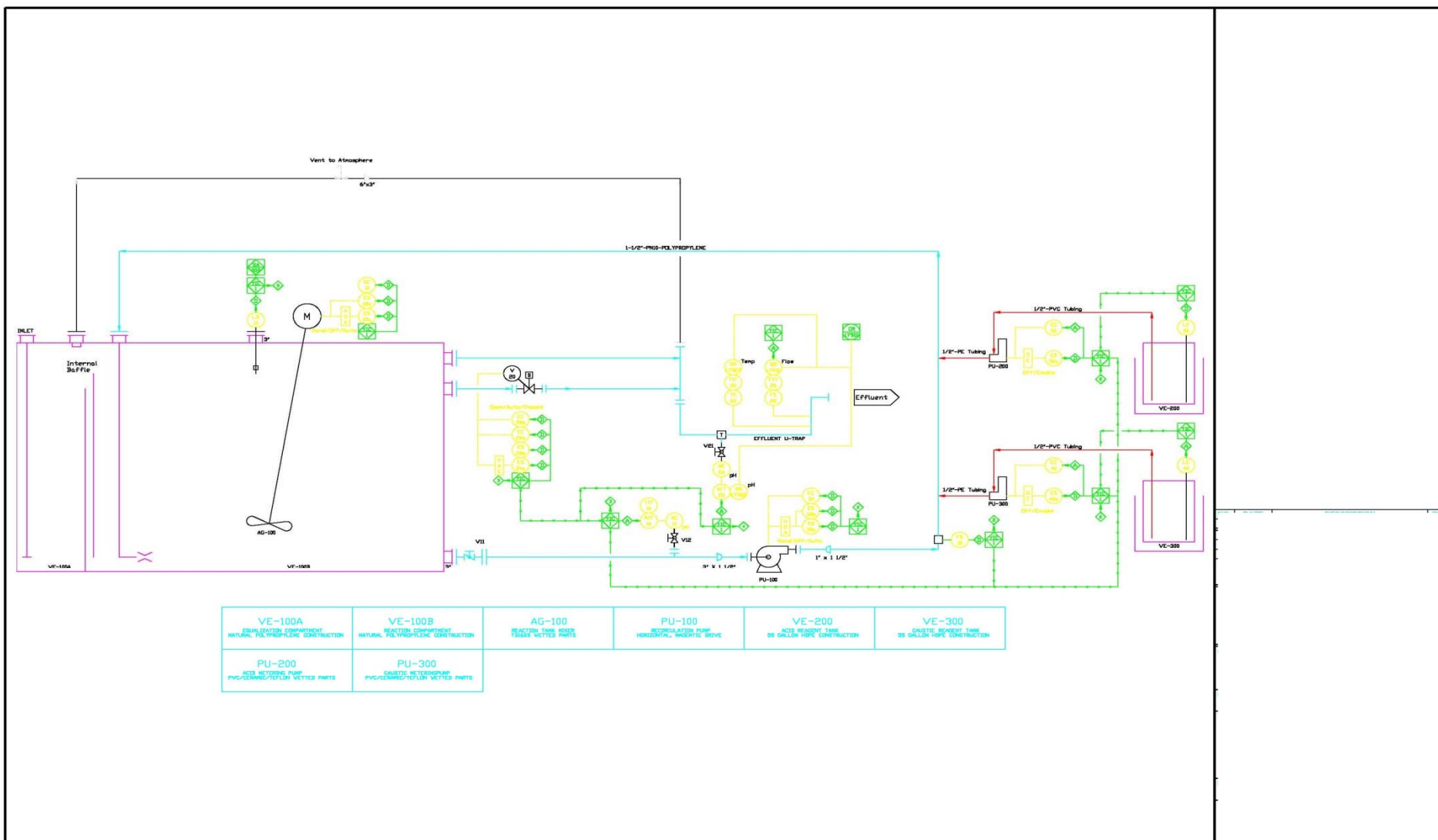
The ACS provides an actuated valve on the discharge of the system. This valve will close if the effluent pH nears the discharge limits. The tank normally only runs at partial capacity so when the discharge valve closes, it allows the system to operate for five minutes in a batch mode. Once the pH returns to a normal range, the discharge valve will re-open and the system will continue to operate as a continuous flow through system. Should the pH not return to the desired range in time, an overflow at the top of the tank will bypass to drain or an optional recirculation or collection tank to prevent flooding of the system.







# pH System Design Hybrid Systems (ACS)







# pH Adjustment System Basic Components

Treatment Tank

Equalization Tank

Reagent Injection

Temperature Control

Agitation

Recirculation Pump(s)

Control Instrumentation

Effluent Monitoring





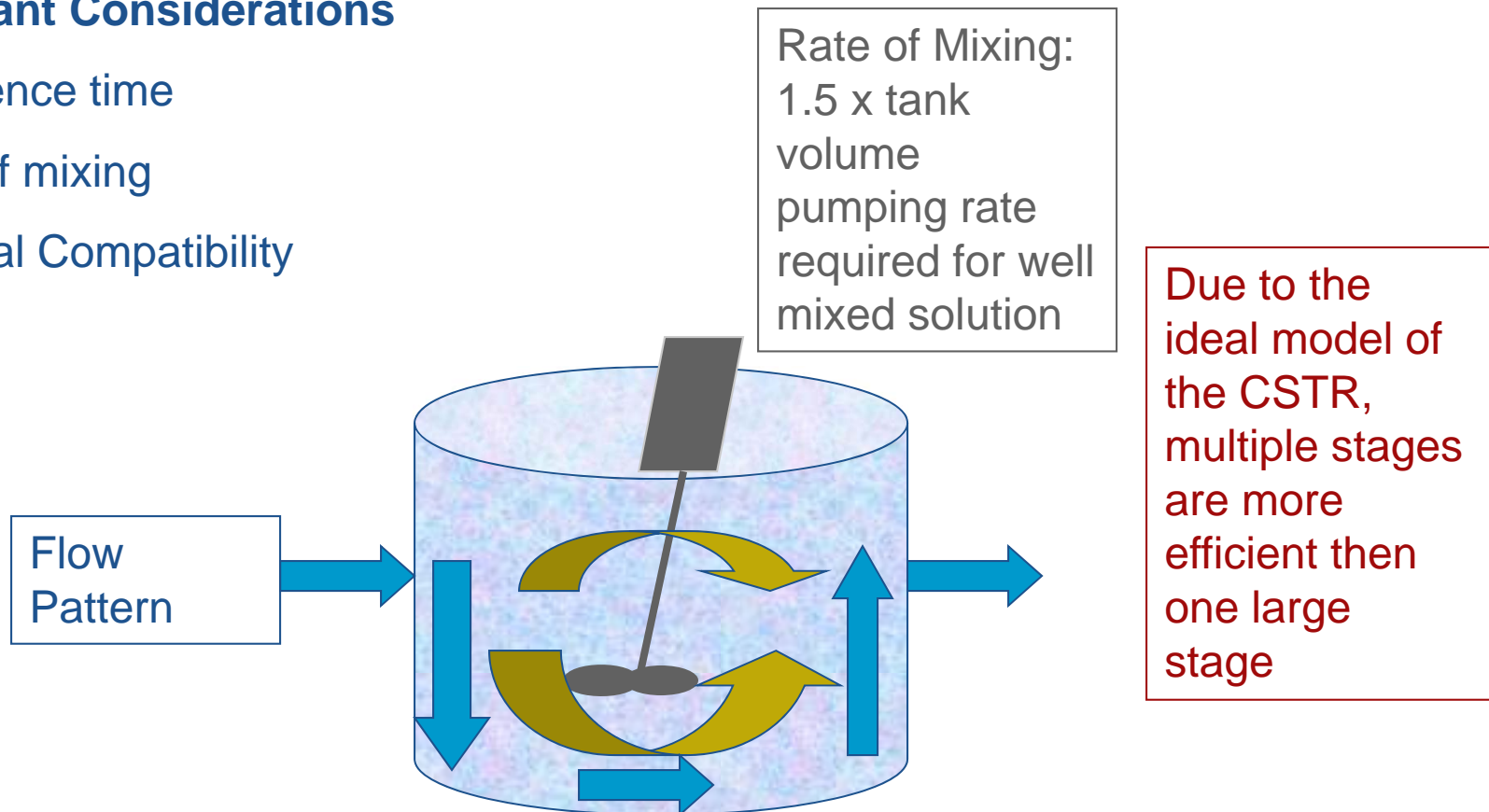
# pH Adjustment System Components

## Treatment Tanks/Agitation

The treatment tanks in a pH adjustment system are designed as **continuously stirred-tank reactors (CSTR)**. They are sized and agitated to create ideal mixing so the pH in the tank is equivalent to the pH leaving the tank.

### Important Considerations

- Residence time
- Rate of mixing
- Material Compatibility







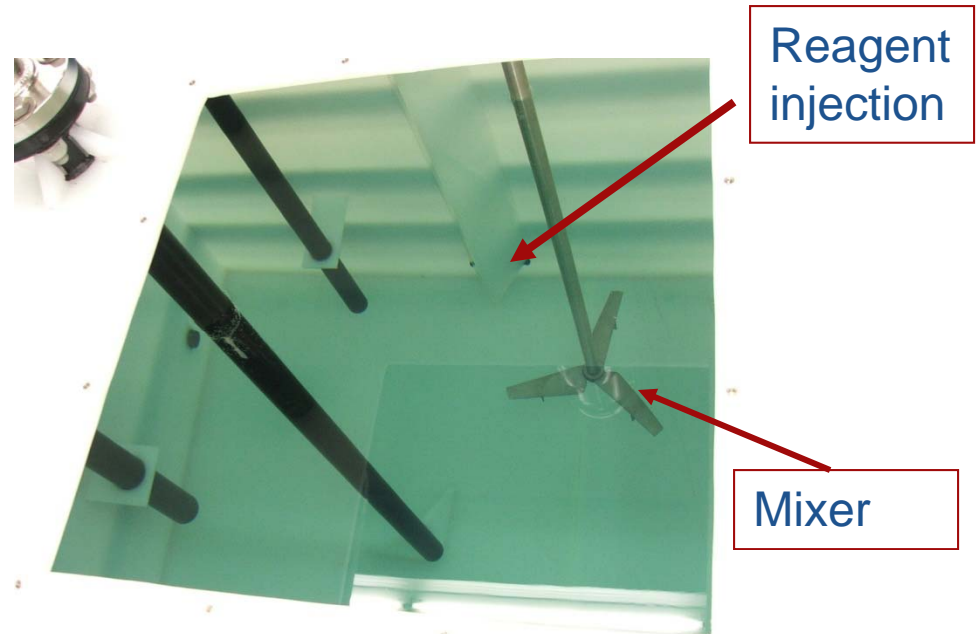
# pH Adjustment System Components, chemical injection

Since a CSTR model allows for uniform pH across the treatment tank, reagent injection must be properly injected into the mixer wash and controlled to avoid swings in pH. The most common reagents for pH adjustment are sulfuric acid and sodium hydroxide. Additionally, carbon dioxide gas can be used.

## Important Considerations

- Turn down for reagent injection proportional to logarithmic pH scale
- Careful not to oversize to avoid instability in controlling pH.

Standard  
Reagent  
assembly







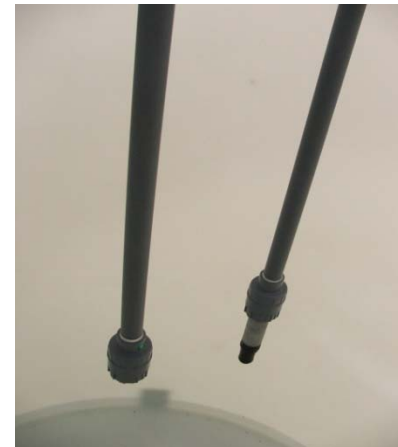
# pH Adjustment System Components, Instrumentation and Controls

pH System is controlled by the pH probe located in the tank or inline recirculation loop.

- pH probe probes can be immersion style or retractable
- pH probes options include
  - Memory sense technology to save calibration data
  - Can be custom rigged with self-cleaning spray technology
  - Probes are available for specific waste streams (High Purity, Hydrofluoric acid etc.)



Retraction Style



Immersion Style





# pH Adjustment System Components, Equalization Tanks

Equalization tanks are an option that can be added to treatment systems. Equalization storage serves two main purposes:

- Equalize flows and allow for specific volume transfer
  - This is an important feature in establishing a proper CSTR design or batch size.
- Can allow for some self neutralization.







# pH Adjustment System Components, Recirculation Pumps

Recirculation pumps are an option that can be added to treatment systems. Recirculation pumps serve three main purposes:

- They allow for use of retraction style pH probes which can be mounted at a more ergonomic level.
- The reagents can be injected inline, allowing for dilution and direct mixing into the mixer backwash.
- They can supplement mixing (but cannot be used in place of a mixer).



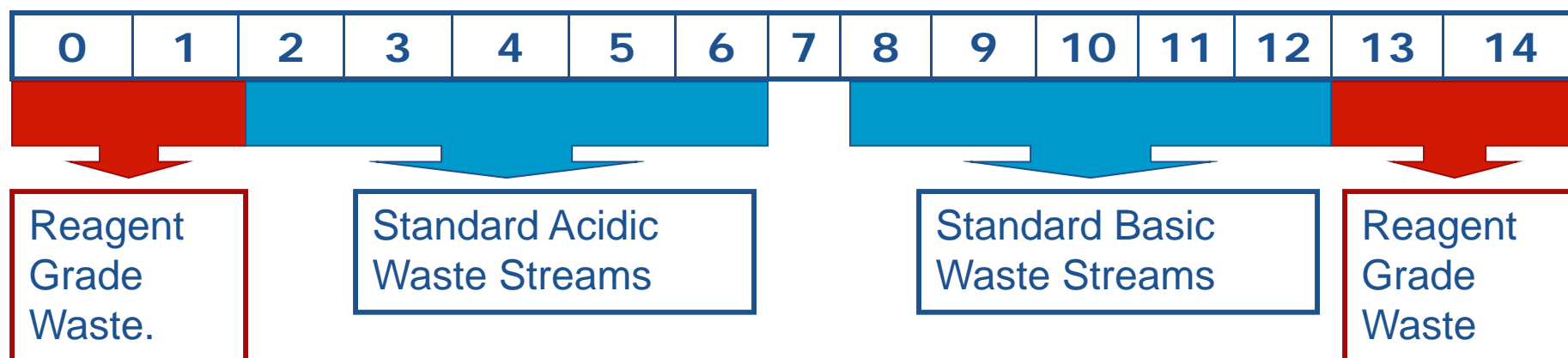




# pH Design Considerations

## Influent pH

Influent pH dictates the number of stages for flow through systems and batch times for batch systems.



### **Reagent Grade Waste**

- Waste Stream 1%+ acid/caustic
- Generally batch treatment only
- Requires in process temperature control to mitigate heat from neutralization reaction
- Treatment time is very long, residence time not applicable. Limiting temperature build-up dictates treatment time.

### **Standard Grade Waste**

- Waste Stream 2-6 pH range
- Flow through, batch and hybrid systems applicable
- Residence time and number of stages based on flow rate and pH



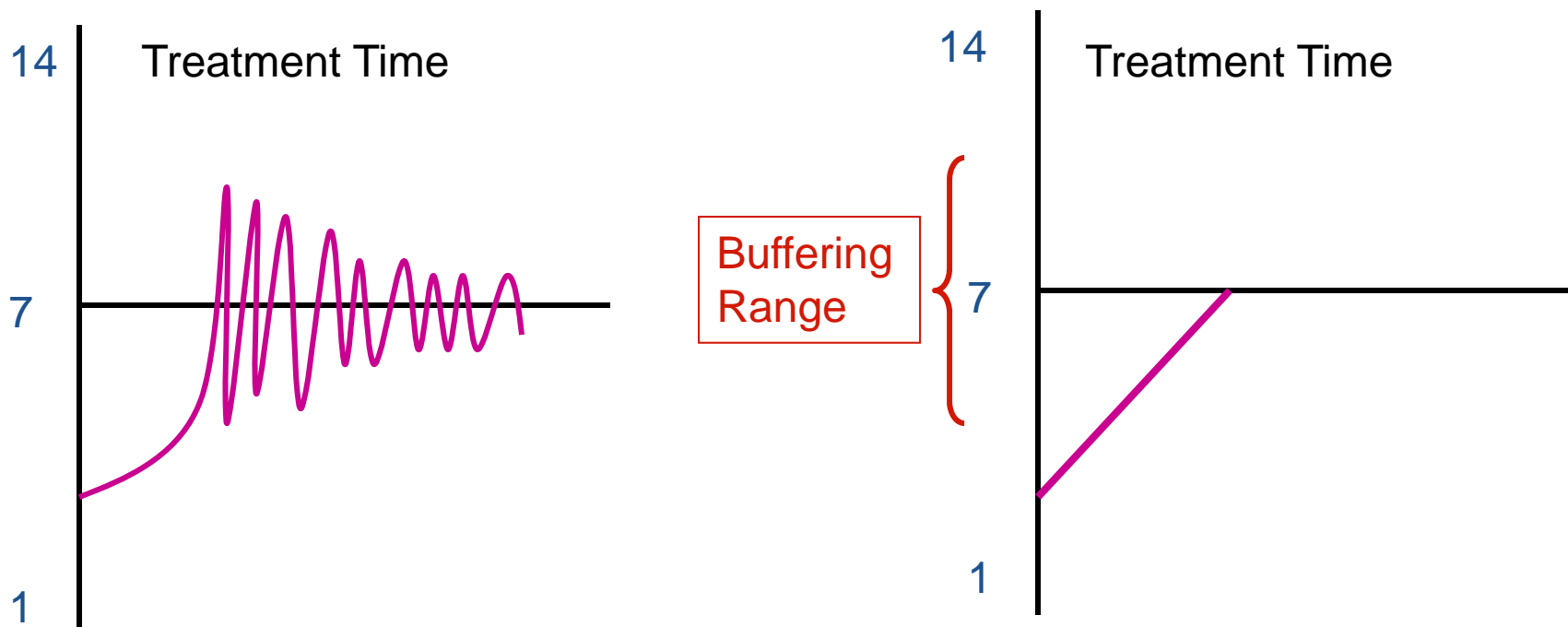


# pH Design Considerations

## Alkalinity

Alkalinity is a measure of buffering capability or the ability to neutralize acid and bases in a solution.

- Alkalinity is a major problem in high purity waste water (WFI, RODI etc.)
- Buffer injection will cut down on chemical use and treatment time





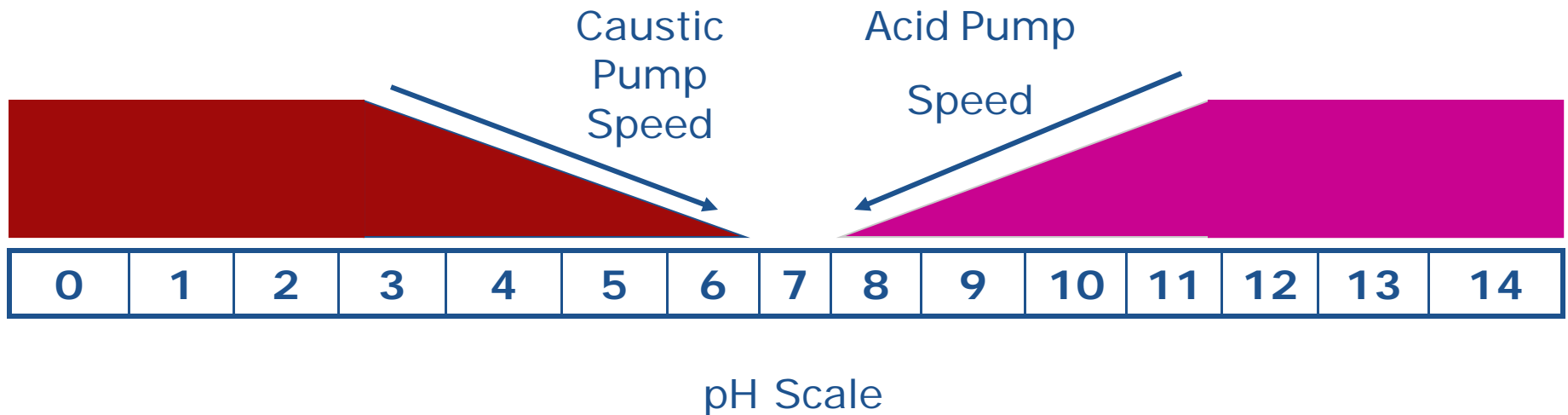


# pH System Control Schemes

There are two types of control schemes used in pH systems:

- Proportional control
- Titration based control

***Proportional control*** is the more versatile of the control schemes. It is based on the logarithmic nature of pH and adjusts the chemical addition proportionally to the pH reading.



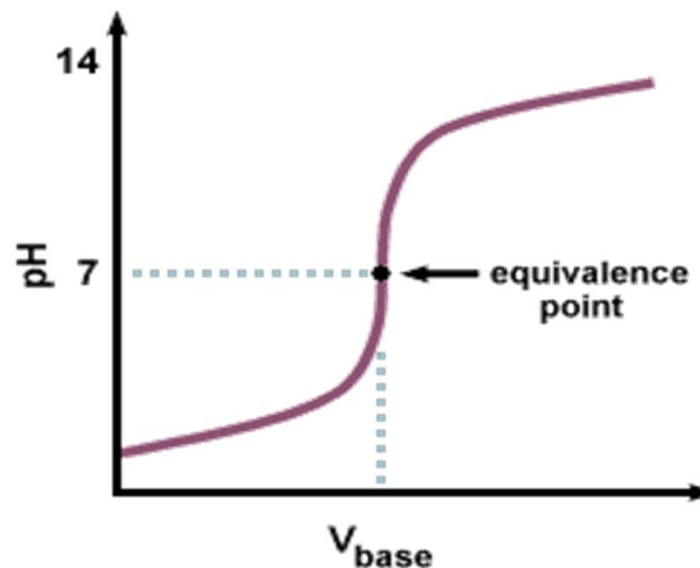




# pH System Control Schemes Continued

***Titration Curve Control*** involves injecting chemistry based on an experimentally determined neutralization curve for the specific waste entering the system.

- It is useful if the waste always has the same characteristics.
- It is NOT practical for most treatment applications as the waste characteristics are constantly fluctuating based on the process.







# pH System Sizing Flow through Systems

## **Assumptions:**

Lab Sink = 1 GPM

Cup Sink = 0.5 GPM

Fume Hood = 0.25 GPM

Actual Usage is 20% to 30% (Diversity)

Cage Washer, Autoclaves, and Dishwashers are assumed to operate at their maximum flow rates and are outside of normal diversity factors.

15 to 20 Minute Retention Time (in some cases more time is required).





# pH System Sizing Flow through Systems Continued

## Sample Calculation:

50 Lab Sinks X 1.0 GPM = 50 GPM

50 Cup Sinks X 0.5GPM = 25 GPM

20 Fume Hoods X 0.25 = 5 GPM

80 Total GPM X 25% Actual Usage = 20 GPM

2 Cage Washers at 10 GPM each. The diversity would assume only one is in operation at a time.

**TOTAL System Flow: 30 GPM**

30 GPM X 20 Minute Retention Time = 600 Treatment Tank ( (2) 300 gal. Tanks) Required.





# Case Study 1



**Type:** pH Adjustment System for College Biology Building.

**Details:**

The system accepts waste from a 7 floor lab building. Total number of sinks and fume hoods are 105 and 20 respectively and (2) cage washers. The System is designed to treat 40gpm.

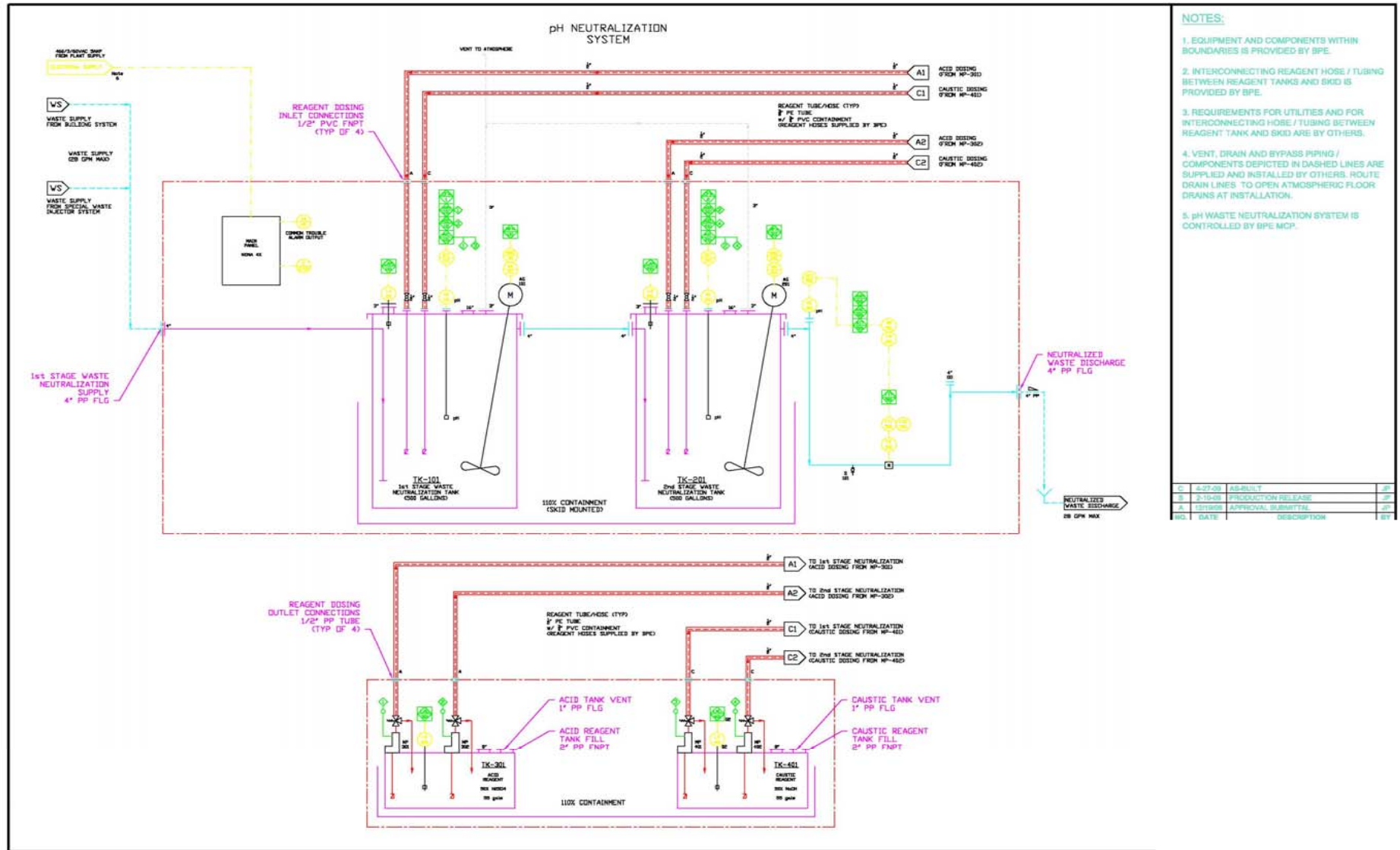
**Unit Features:**

1. Dual stage pH system to account for aggressive waste streams.
2. Two way pH control to treat both acid and alkaline waste.
3. Effluent flow and pH monitoring.





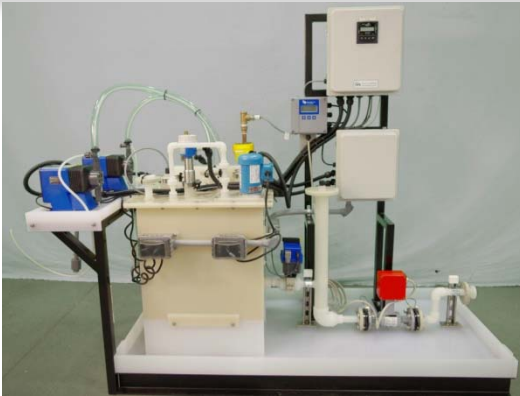
# Case Study 1







## Case Study 2



**Type:** pH Adjustment System for Criminology Lab.

**Details:**

The system accepts waste directly from the lab processes. Waste constituents include 30% nitric acid, 10% hydrochloric acid, and 10% hydrofluoric acid. The system is designed for safe treatment of these chemistries using caustic reagent control and temperature control with safety interlocks.

The system is completely automated and user adjustable.

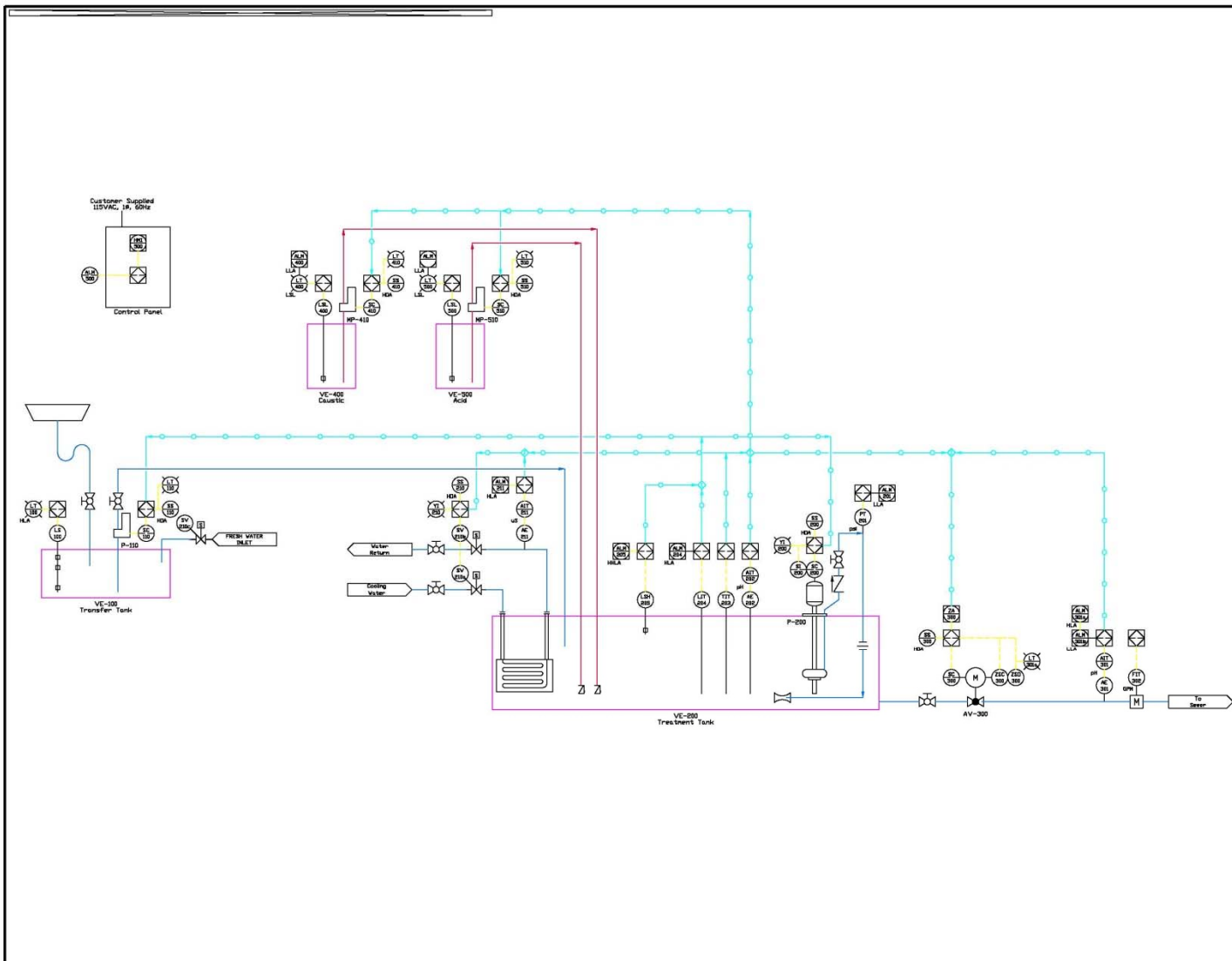
**The unit features:**

1. All PVDF and PTFE wetted materials including adjustment tank and mixer coating
2. Memory programmed pH holders that store calibration data between probe replacements
3. Temperature safety interlocks
4. Full PLC control with owner remote access and monitoring





# Case Study 2



## NOTES:

**ATTENTION:** Only qualified technical personnel, familiar with the construction and operation of this equipment and the hazards involved, should install, adjust, operate and/or service this equipment. Read and understand the instruction manual in its entirety before proceeding. Failure to observe this precaution could result in equipment damage and/or severe bodily injury or loss of life.

**ATTENTION:** The user is responsible for conforming with all applicable local and national codes. Failure to observe this precaution could result in severe bodily injury or loss of life.

1. Customer to provide primary protection per NEC and/or other applicable codes.

2. All wiring shown with dashed lines is to equipment/devices located external to the Main Control Panel.

3. Unless otherwise noted this panel is NOT UL Listed.

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## Case Study 3



**Type:** pH Adjustment System for Chemical Manufacturer

**Details:**

The system accepts waste byproduct from the chemical production of semiconductor chemistries. Waste includes low alkaline water and reagent grade pH water (greater than 13 pH).

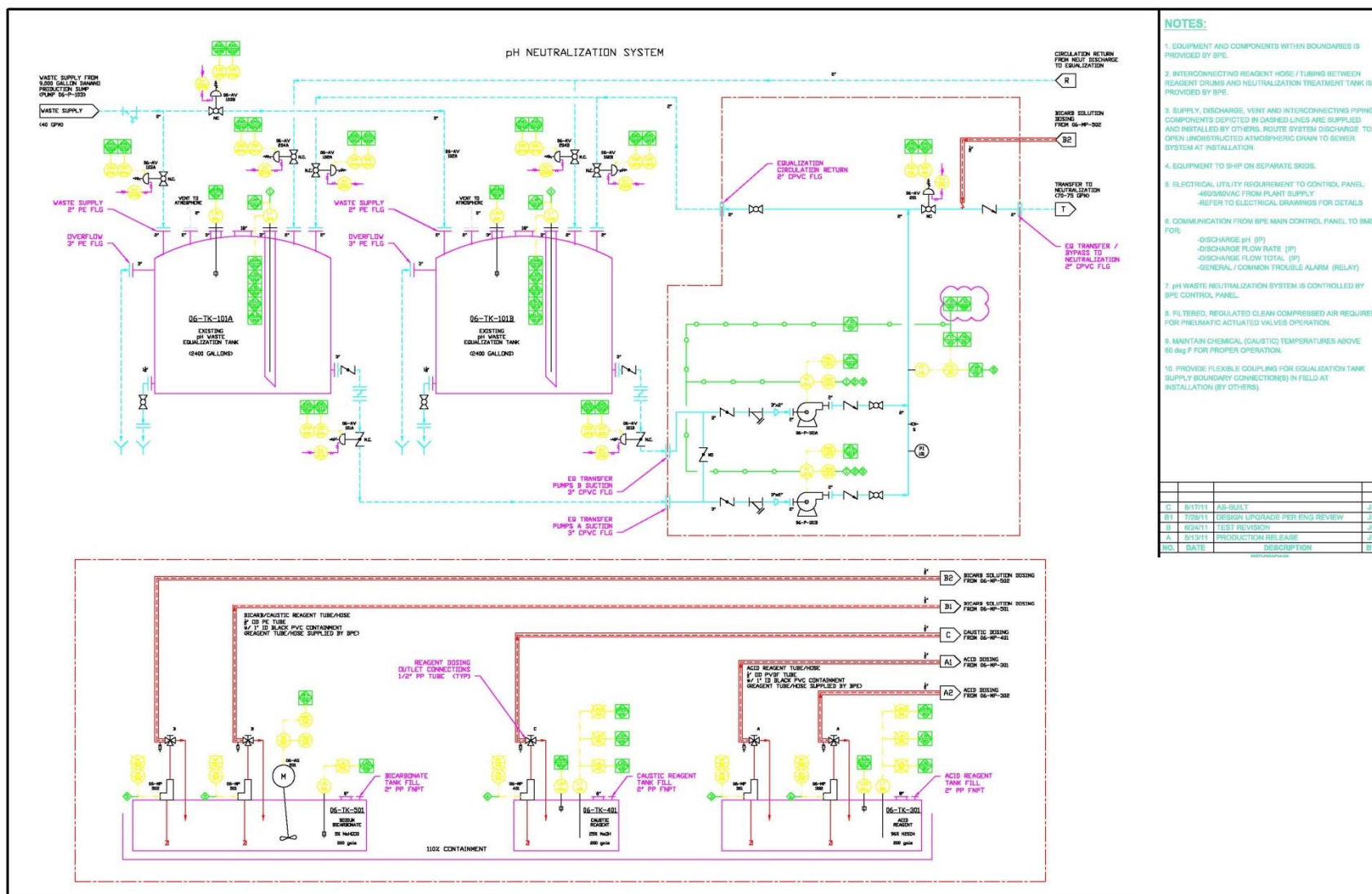
**Unit Features:**

1. Equalization storage with control for the transfer of concentrated chemistry (greater than pH 13) for segregated treatment.
2. High flow/low flow metering pumps for more accurate control
3. Memory programmed pH probes
4. Buffer injection to compensate for low alkaline water
5. Designed for outdoor installation





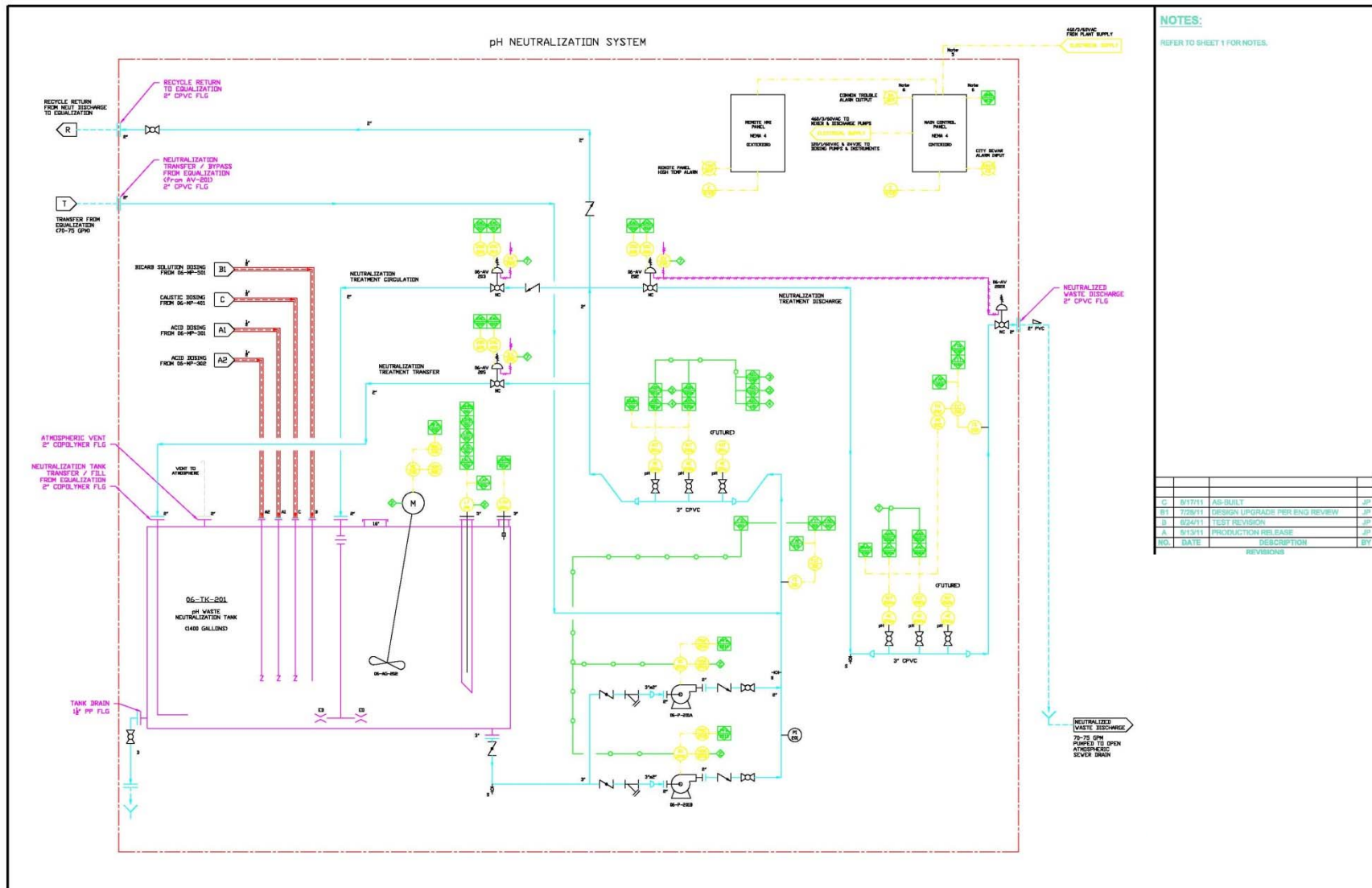
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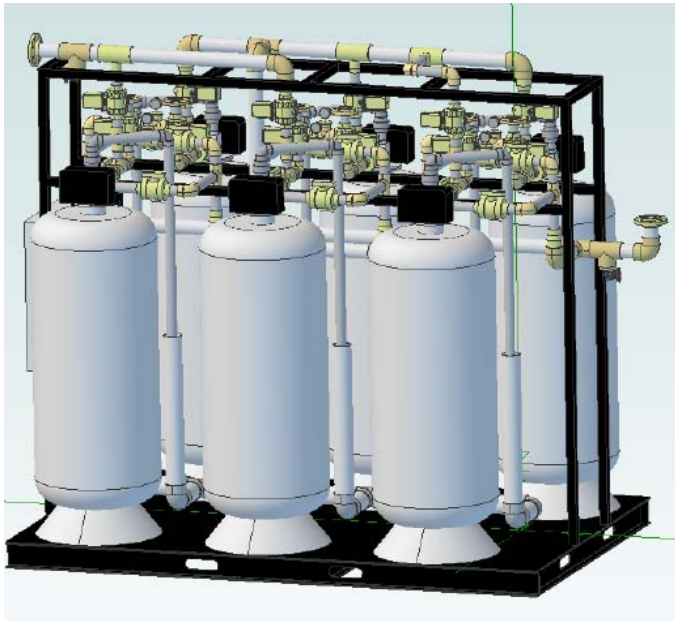
# Case Study 3







## Case Study 4



**Type:** Waste Treatment System for semiconductor lab.

**Details:**

The system treats semiconductor lab waste. The waste water is initially treated for particulate matter, organics, and then metals removal utilizing resin prior to pH adjustment.

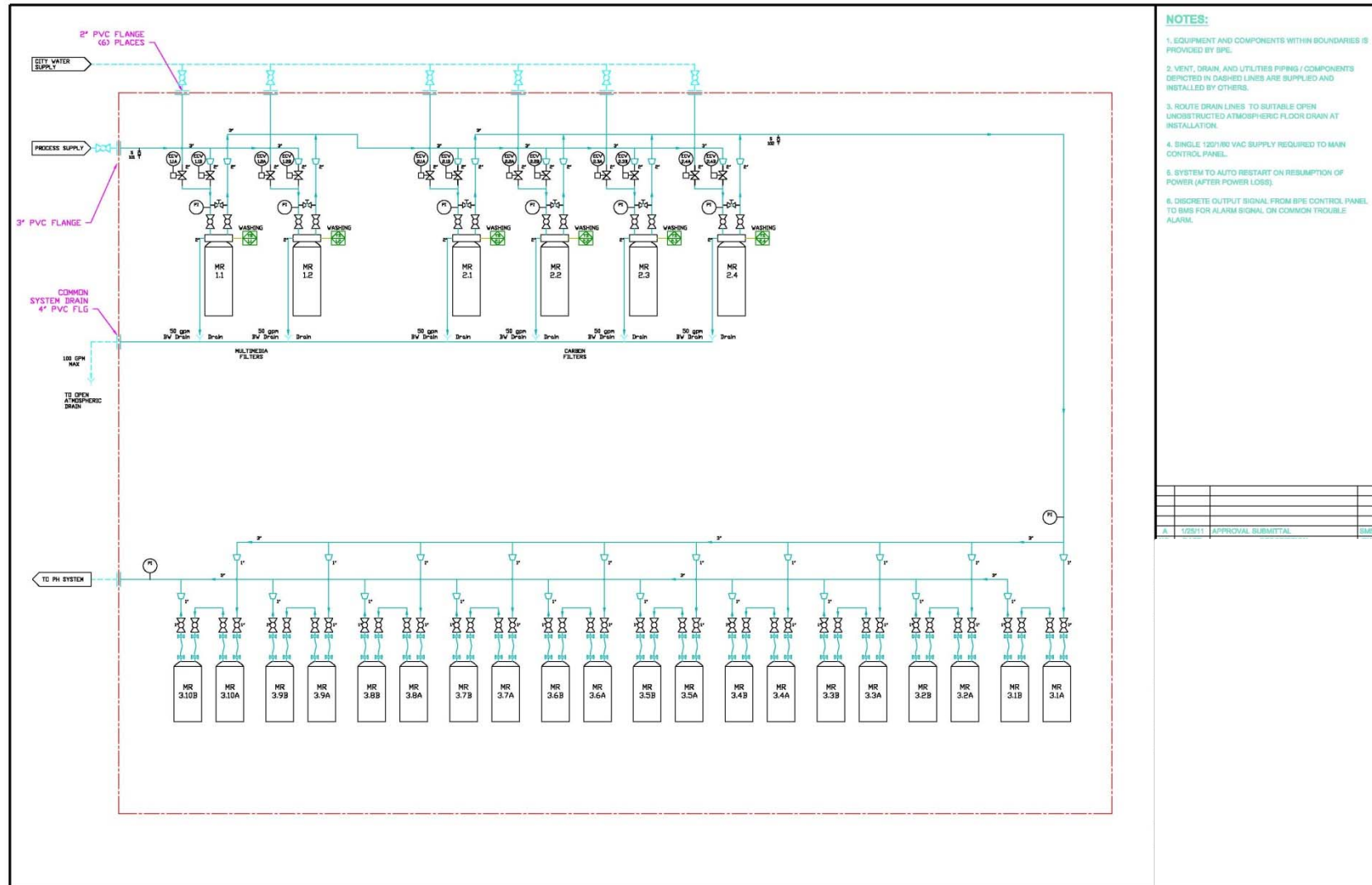
**Unit Features:**

1. Particulate filtration and organics removal
2. Metals removal utilizing resin
3. Buffer injection for low alkaline water
4. Hybrid batch technology pH adjustment system





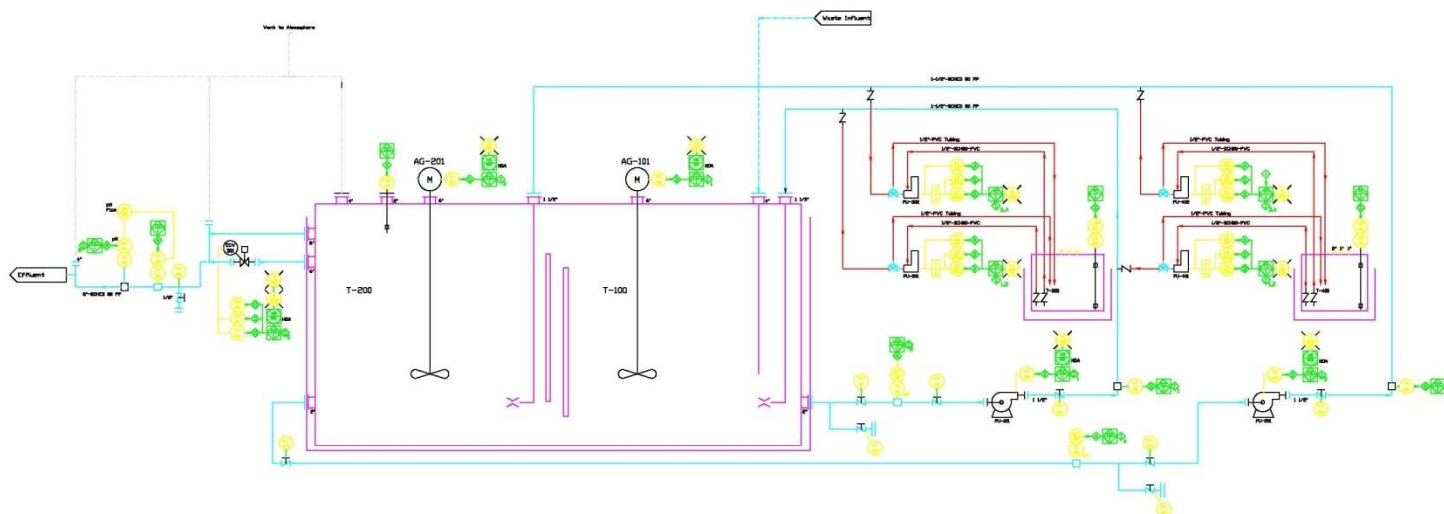
# Case Study 4







# Case Study 4



## NOTES:

1. Piping shown in dashed lines is by others

### Interlocks:

1. Chemical metering pump PU-301 and PU-401 are interlocked to recirc loop flow switch FS-101 and Agitator AG-101, so that in the event no flow is detected in the recirc loop or if the tank agitator is off, chemical will not be injected.
2. If the signal from the T-100 pH transmitter AIT-101 falls chemical will not be injected by PU-301 or PU-401
3. Chemical metering pump PU-302 and PU-402 are interlocked to recirc loop flow switch FS-201 and Agitator AG-201, so that in the event no flow is detected in the recirc loop or if the tank agitator is off, chemical will not be injected.
4. If the signal from the T-200 pH transmitter AIT-201 falls chemical will not be injected by PU-302 or PU-402
5. In the event the effluent pH goes out of spec, ECV-501 closes and allows the system extra time in order to treat the process waste. On return of the effluent pH to within limits, ECV-501 re-opens.

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**pH Adjustment System Questionnaire Burt**  
**Process Equipment**

Date	
Company Name	
Contact Name	
Phone	
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Address	
Additional Contact Info.	
<b>Solution Information</b>	
Chemical Composition	
Temperature Range (°F)	
Solids in Suspension (PPM)?	
Specific Gravity	
Oil and Grease Present (PPM)?	
<b>Available Utilities</b>	
Electrical (Voltage, Frequency, phase)	
Compressed air (psig, SCFM)	
<b>Service Conditions (Batch Treatment Only)</b>	
Total Accumulated Flow/batch (gallons)	
Batch Frequency (# batches/day or week)	
<b>Service Conditions (Continuous Treatment Only)</b>	
Average Flowrate (gpm)	
Maximum Flowrate (gpm)	
pH Range of Influent (min-max)	
Desired Effluent pH Range (min-max)	
<b>Service Conditions (Batch Treatment Only)-continued</b>	
List Any Concentrated Dumps to the System	
Chemical Composition	
Concentration (%)	
Volume (gallons)	
Frequency of dumps (dumps/day, week, month)	

# pH System Selection Criteria

- Determine water **waste characteristics**
- Determine **waste volume**
- Select type of system based on quantity and waste characteristics of water to be treated





*Thank you*

*Questions?*