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Reliable Performance of LG NanoH₂O™ RO Membranes for UPW Production

Application:

Product type: **Energy Saving BWRO w/ L Spacer** RO model: **LG BW 400 ES L**

Background

In China, a leading manufacturer of TFT-LCD panels installed LG Chem's BW 400 ES L energy-saving reverse osmosis (RO) membrane elements for its ultrapure water (UPW) production process. The plant monitors increases in differential pressure (dP) for cues in membrane cleaning and TOC rejection as critical parameters for producing high-quality permeate.

System Information

RO System design: 2 stage, 7:3 array (6M)

Ultrapure Water Production

- No. of trains: 19
- RO system recovery: 89–90%
- Feed water temp: 25.0–26.0°C
- pH: 7.5–8.5

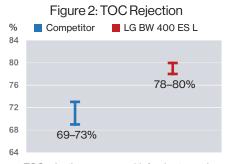
Novel Feed Spacer

LG BW 400 ES L incorporates a proprietary novel L feed spacer to reduce differential pressure. The result is a lower fouling rate and cleaning frequency, and overall operational cost savings. For more information on the L spacer, please refer to LG Chem's "Tech Fact Sheet: L Feed Spacer" document no. E8-EN-300621.

Figure 1: Differential Pressure Stage 1 Stage 2 1.6 1.2 0.8 1.2 0.9 Competitor BW 400 ES L

Membrane Performance

At system start-up, the total differential pressure (1st and 2nd stages) of LG NanoH₂OTM RO elements was about 20% less than the competitor's equivalent product, also equipped with a factory-supplied low dP feed spacer (Figure 1). Permeate production was similar for both elements at 80 m³/hr with a 90% recovery rate. TOC rejection for NanoH₂OTM membranes was measured between 78–80%, higher than the competitor model (Figure 2).



TOC rejection may vary with feedwater and operating conditions

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