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<p>Surface-mount technology (SMT) has been developed to produce printed circuit boards for electronic devices from as early as the 1960s. Since conductivity is highly valuable even in the smallest devices, various types of heavy and precious metals have been used to further increase the effectiveness of circuit boards. These metals include but are not limited to gold, nickel and copper. The plating process of Gold and Nickel at Kyocera Vietnam Co. Ltd.'s Manufacturing plant generates wastewater containing a high concentration of cyanide and nickel which needs to be treated properly.</p> <p>The aim of this thesis was to study and design a treatment system for wastewater containing Cyanide and Nickel, based on the existing treatment system at Kyocera Vietnam Co. Ltd.'s manufacturing plant. Calculations of specifications of tanks, vessels, pits and treatment theories were made according to the confidential instructions provided by Organo Vietnam. Unfortunately, the positions of the tanks, vessels, pits, as well as the specifications of pumps, pipes could not be included, due to the requirements from Organo Vietnam's Technical Manager.</p> <p>This new design can be used as a reference for future study as well as for providing theoretical guidelines for treating wastewater containing heavy metals.</p>	
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Abbreviations

OV	Organo Vietnam Co. Ltd.
KVC	Kyocera Vietnam Co. Ltd.
ENIG	Electroless nickel immersion gold
SS400	SS400 structural steel (Japanese Material Standard)
SS316	Stainless steel – Grade 316
QCVN ^[12]	QCVN 40:2011/BTNMT – Vietnamese National Technical regulation on Industrial Wastewater
WW	Wastewater
LV	Linear Velocity
WWTS	Wastewater Treatment System
MMF	Multimedia Filtration
ACF	Activated Carbon Filtration
rpm	round-per-minute
SS	Suspended Solids
mmD	mm in Diameter
mmH	mm in Height
mmW	mm in Width
mmL	mm in Length
FP	Filter Press
P&ID	Process and Instrument Diagram

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1. Introduction

1.1. Organo Vietnam and Kyocera Co. Ltd.'s manufacturing plant:

Organo Vietnam (OV) is the Vietnamese subsidiary of Organo Corporation, a Japanese pioneering water/wastewater treatment company since 1946. ^[1]

Kyocera Vietnam Co. Ltd. (KVC) is the Vietnamese branch of Kyocera Corporation, a Japanese multinational manufacturer, currently focusing on Information, Telecommunications equipment as well as Renewable resources. ^[2]

In Vietnam, KVC opens a manufacturing plant producing various surface-mount ceramic packages for their circuit boards. ^[3] The company employs a modern and efficient plating method, called **electroless nickel immersion gold (ENIG)** plating.

An example of ENIG plating in their ceramic package production is their low temperature co-fired ceramics (LTCC) package ^[4].

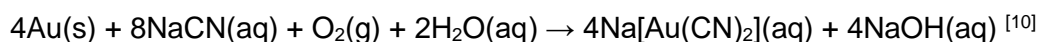
1.2. Electroless nickel immersion gold (ENIG) plating method

ENIG has been a famous and widely-used method in printing circuit boards, because it is cost-effective and does not require lead. ^[5]

ENIG first applies a Nickel layer of 3 – 6 µm, and then a Gold layer of 0.065 – 0.10 µm. ^[6] The Ni coating makes the surface board more receptive to soldering, brazing and welding. Ni coating also provides excellent corrosion protection. ^[7] The Gold plating, used after Ni coating, protects the components from corrosion, heat, wear and helps ensure reliable electrical connections. ^[8]

1.3. Overview of KVC wastewater from plating process

To perform Gold plating, an aqueous solution containing gold is needed. ^[9] Cyanide-based solution is preferred, as Cyanide is widely used to extract Gold from low-grade ore. Sodium Cyanide solution is used as follows:



The resulting wastewater from Gold plating contains a high amount of CN ions that must be removed as CN ions are extremely toxic to humans and animals.

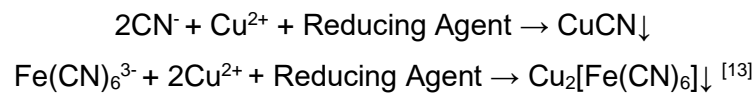
Electroless Nickel plating “is a process using an auto-catalytic chemical reaction to deposit Nickel coating from an aqueous solution”, most notably Nickel Phosphorus. ^[11] Henceforth, the wastewater from Nickel coating contains high level of Ni ions. As wastewater from KVC is discharged to the river of Bac Hung Hai, a Wastewater treatment system (WWTS) must be

developed to satisfy Column A of Vietnamese National Technical regulation on Industrial Wastewater (QCVN).

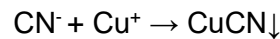
1.4. Chemical theory for treatment of CN and Ni wastewater (courtesy of OV presentation for WW discharge license at KVC)

In general, OV's proposed treatments for CN and Ni wastewater is physiochemical. The difference between them is the types of coagulant agents.

For CN wastewater, Copper Sulfate (CuSO_4) and a reducing agent (in this case, NaHSO_3) are used.

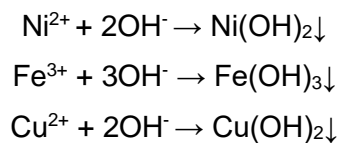


The Reducing Agent helps to oxidize Cu^{2+} into Cu^+ , then:



The resulting treated water from CN treatment, while having a decreased concentration of CN, still contains Cu and Ni ions, which are heavy metals.

For wastewater containing ions of heavy metals, the accepted technique is to lower the pH of wastewater by injecting Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH). At optimal pH value, heavy metal ions react with hydroxide ions to form precipitates:



For high-quality treatment, a chelate agent is also injected, which forms metal complex with Ni ions, helpful in the following flocculation and sedimentation step:

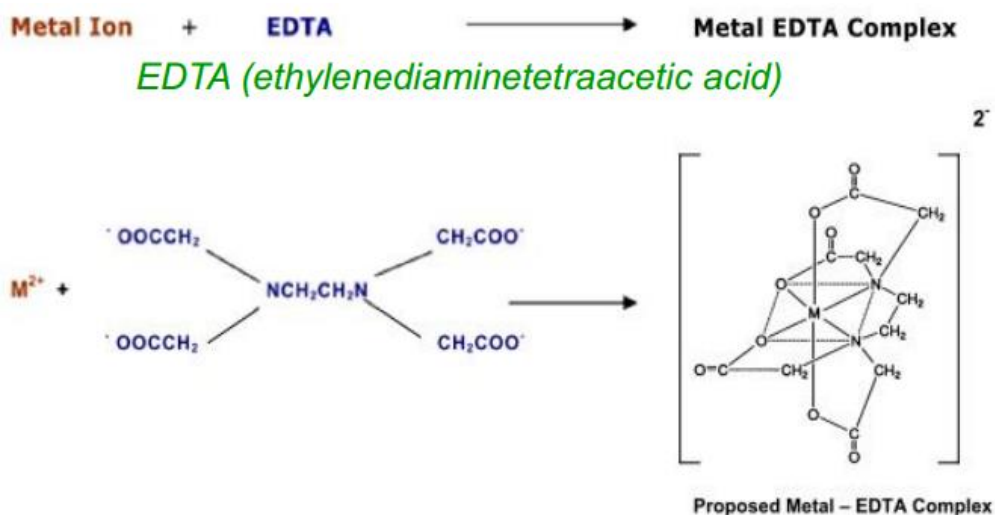


Figure 1: Chelation (Courtesy of OV training guide for engineers)

Afterwards, neutralization is needed to stabilize pH level before finally discharging to the environment.

1.5. Goal and scopes

Originally, the treatment plant in KVC cover both water and wastewater treatment. While WW from KVC factory produces CN wastewater, Ni wastewater, organic wastewater and low pH wastewater, the water treatment section delivers high-grade deionized water for factory use. Both sections are installed in combination with one another, as some chemicals, such as NaHSO₃ and NaOH are used in both sections.

The goal of this thesis was to redesign the wastewater treatment process into one that is suitable mainly for CN and Ni wastewater. The new design is believed to be suitable for future large-scale automated factories, which require little to no human presence. In case a factory as such would be commissioned, this design could serve as examples of pre-treatments for wastewater containing heavy metals before delivery to a centralized wastewater treatment plant.

The designing of a fully functional treatment plant contains a terrain overview as well as structural layout of the steel piping racks and positions of tanks and vessels, which proved to be too difficult and complicated for a Bachelor's thesis. Therefore, this study focused on the philosophy of the new treatment system as well as calculations of the specifications of the tanks, vessels and pits involved. Calculations for other equipment, such as specifications of pipes, pumps and valves were not included, due to confidentiality regulation from OV.

The above-mentioned treatment philosophy is based on OV's designed and currently installed wastewater treatment system at KVC manufacturing plant, which is responsible for discharging treated wastewater up to 800 m³/d. The quality of treated wastewater is acceptable, as column A of QCVN in Table 1 shows:

Table 1: Values of the parameters of dischargeable industrial wastewater (QCVN)

No.	Parameter	Unit	Value	
			A	B
1	Temperature	°C	40	40
2	Color	Pt/Co	50	150
3	pH	-	6 to 9	5.5 to 9
4	BOD ₅ (20°C)	mg/L	30	50
5	COD	mg/L	75	150

No.	Parameter	Unit	Value	
			A	B
6	SS	mg/L	50	100
7	Arsenic	mg/L	0.05	0.1
8	Mercury	mg/L	0.005	0.01
9	Lead	mg/L	0.1	0.5
10	Cadmium	mg/L	0.05	0.1
11	Chromium (VI)	mg/L	0.05	0.1
12	Chromium (III)	mg/L	0.2	1
13	Copper	mg/L	2	2
14	Zinc	mg/L	3	3
15	Nickel	mg/L	0.2	0.5
16	Manganese	mg/L	0.5	1
17	Iron	mg/L	1	5
18	Total CN	mg/L	0.07	0.1
19	Total Phenol	mg/L	0.1	0.5
20	Total mineral fats and oils	mg/L	5	10
21	Sulfide	mg/L	0.2	0.5
22	Fluoride	mg/L	5	10
23	Ammonium (as N)	mg/L	5	10
24	Total Nitrogen	mg/L	20	40
25	Total Phosphorus (as P)	mg/L	4	6
26	Chloride	mg/L	500	1000
27	Excess Chlorine	mg/L	1	2
28	Total organochlorine pesticide	mg/L	0.05	0.1
29	Total organophosphorus pesticide	mg/L	0.3	1
30	Total PCB	mg/L	0.003	0.01
31	Coliform	bacteria/100mL	3000	5000
32	Gross alpha activity	Bq/L	0.1	0.1
33	Gross beta activity	Bq/L	1	1

2. Reviews and Calculations of Capacities of Tanks, Vessels and Pits (courtesy of OV standard calculation sheet for engineers)

2.1. Treatment of CN wastewater

2.1.1. Overview

The simplified treatment process for CN wastewater is depicted by the following diagram:

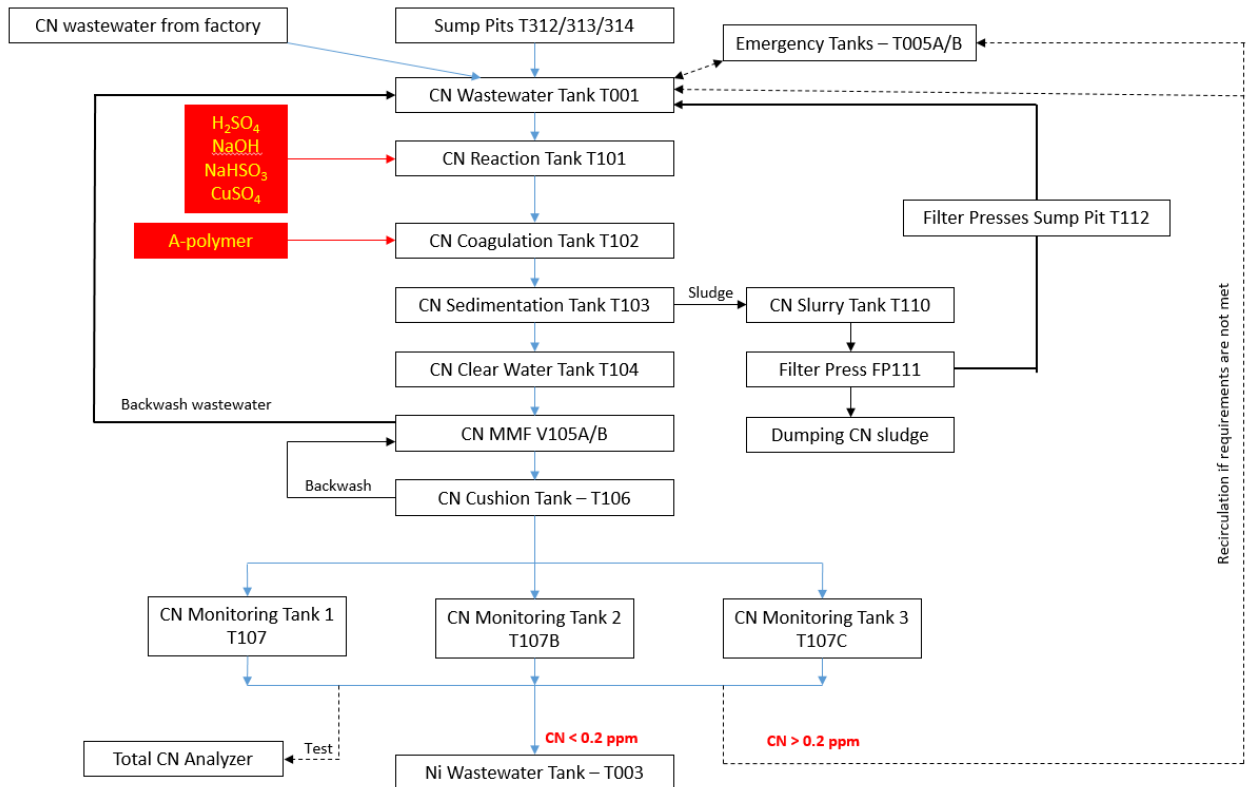


Figure 2: CN wastewater treatment process (courtesy of OV presentation for wastewater discharge license at KVC)

2.1.2. Coagulation, flocculation and sedimentation for CN wastewater:

The whole treatment system operates for 20 hours each day. The remaining 4 hours are used for backwash, rinsing and/or emergency.

As figure 2 above shows, CN wastewater from factory ($226.0 \text{ m}^3/\text{d} - 11.3 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$), along with wastewater from sump pits T312/313/314 (Table 43) and other sources: overflow/emergency from T104 (Table 6), T106 (Table 9), T107A/B/C (Table 10), backwash wastewater from V105A/B (Table 8) are delivered to CN Wastewater Tank T001 (Table 2). This tank regulates flow rates and concentrations in wastewater stream using a submerged agitator before the wastewater is pumped to physical-chemical treatment.

Table 2: Specifications of CN Wastewater Tank T001

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	11.3 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	4 h
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	45.2 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	2000 mmH 2500 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	5000 mmW 5000 mmW
- Length	5000 mmL 5000 mmL
	50 m³ (effective) 62.5 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	4.4 h
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	80 rpm
Tank Volume	50.0 m ³
Mixing power	0.01 kW/m ³ 0.5 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.5 kW
Type	Horizontal 4-Blade Impeller
Material	SS316

CN Reaction tank T101 (Table 3) is used to reduce the CN concentration, according to section 1.4. For successful reaction, fast mixing at 80 rpm is needed.

Table 3: Specifications of CN Reaction tank T101

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	11.85 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	25 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	4.9 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	2350 mmH 2850 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	1400 mmW 1400 mmW
- Length	1500 mmL 1500 mmL
	4.9 m³ (effective) 6.0 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	25.0 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	80 rpm
Tank Volume	4.9 m ³
Mixing power	0.26 kW/m ³ 1.3 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	1.5 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

In CN Coagulation Tank T102 (Table 4), as flocs already form and trap impurities, slower mixing at 20 rpm is needed in order not to break them. A-Polymer is injected to help increase the size of flocs.

Table 4: Specifications of CN Coagulation Tank T102

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	11.85 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	20 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	4.0 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	2500 mmH 3000 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	1300 mmW 1300 mmW
- Length	1300 mmL 1300 mmL
	4.2 m³ (effective) 5.1 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	21.4 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	20 rpm
Tank Volume	4.2 m ³
Mixing power	0.17 kW/m ³ 0.7 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.75 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

Sedimentation happens in CN Sedimentation Tank T103 (Table 5). The targeted retention time is **approximately 6 hours**. Heavy flocs are separated from wastewater by gravity. The scrapper rake at the bottom of T103 collect the flocs into sludge in a central hole located at the bottom of T103, which then is pumped to CN Slurry Tank T110 (Table 43, also see Figure 2 on p. 7 and Appendix 2).

Table 5: Specifications of CN Sedimentation Tank T103

Design Conditions	
Flow rate	11.85 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Settling Velocity	1.0 m ³ / m ² /h
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Settling Area	11.85 m ²
Required Tank Diameter	3.9 mD
Designed Tank Diameter	4.0 mD
Tank Dimension	
- Diameter	4000 mmD
- Height	4450 mmH 5250 mmH 500mmH safety
- Length	4000 mmL 4000 mmL + bottom slope
- Width	4000 mmW 4000 mmW
	71.2 m³ (effective) 84.0 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	6.0 h
Material construction	Reinforced Concrete with Water Proof
Sludge scrapper	
Flow rate	11.85 m ³ /h
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Tank Dimension	4000 mmD
Rake circumference speed	2.0 m/min
Motor speed	1800 rpm

Motor mechanical efficiency	0.97
Rake arm diameter	3.8 m
Reduction Gear Ratio	1/10417
<i>Selected Reducer</i>	<i>1/10933 0.01 rpm 0.4 kW</i>
Material	SS316

In the meantime, clear water after settling and overflowing from T103 is stored in CN Clear Water Tank T104 (Table 6).

Table 6: Specifications of CN Clear Water Tank T104

Design condition	
Flow rate	11.85 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	1 h
Capacity calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	11.85 m ³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	3000 mmH 3500 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	2000 mmW 2000 mmW
- Length	2000 mmL 2000 mmL
	12.0 m³ (effective) 14.0 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	1.0 h
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint

After sedimentation, the values of parameters such as CN, COD and BOD have been reduced, in accordance with the table below:

Table 7: Values of parameters after CN sedimentation

	CN wastewater		After CN sedimentation	
Open hs: 20 h/d				
DQ	226.0 m ³ /d	11.3 m ³ /h	237.1 m ³ /d	11.9 m ³ /h
COD	54.2 kg/d	240.0 mg/L	16.3 kg/d	68.6 mg/L
BOD	2.26 kg/d	10.00 mg/L	1.36 kg/d	5.72 mg/L
CN	16.72 kg/d	74.00 mg/L	0.05 kg/d	0.21 mg/L
Ni	1.36 kg/d	6.00 mg/L	0.07 kg/d	0.29 mg/L
Cu	1.36 kg/d	6.00 mg/L	1.36 kg/d	6.00 mg/L
Fe	0.11 kg/d	0.50 mg/L	0.06 kg/d	0.24 mg/L
pH	6 ~ 11		10.5	

2.1.3. CN Multimedia Filtration (MMF):

MMF vessels V105A/B further reduce the concentration of suspended solids in wastewater (Figure 3 and Table 8). The filtered water can be used to backwash the vessel. The backwash wastewater is redirected back to T001 (Table 2, also see Figure 2 on p. 7).

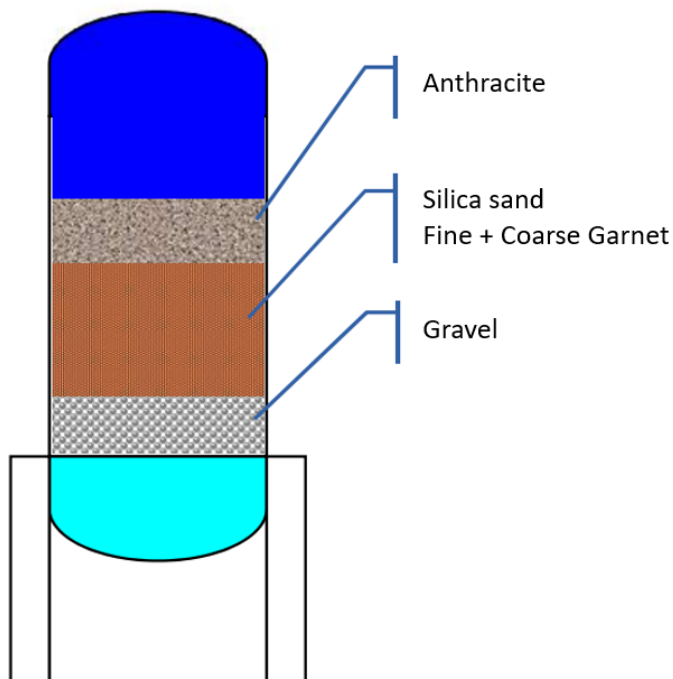


Figure 3: Overview of MMF vessel (courtesy of OV training guide for engineers)

Table 8: Specifications of CN MMF vessels V105A/B

Design Condition		
Flow rate	11.85 m ³ /h	
Design Criteria		
Linear Velocity	6.5 m ³ /m ² /h	
Vessel Calculation		
Quantity	2 (Two) for duty 2 (Two) in total	
Operated Pressure	0.35 Mpa	
Filter media, per vessel		
Gravel	200 mmH	
Coarse garnet	50 mmH	
Fine garnet	100 mmH	
Silica sand	350 mmH	
Anthacite	600 mmH	
Total	1300 mmH	
Effective filter	1.2 mH	
Volume	1.14 m³	
Vessel height	2200 mH	900mmH safety
Required vessel diameter	0.98 mD	
Designed vessel diameter	1.10 mD	
MMF Backwash		
Backwash Linear Velocity	35.0 m ³ / m ² /h	
Backwash frequency	1 (One batch) per day 10 mins/batch	
Flow rate (per vessel)	33.2 m³/h 11.1 m³/d, both vessels	

CN Cushion Tank T106 (Table 9) is used to store and stabilize the filtered water, which then can be pumped to the CN monitoring process or to be used as backwash water for the MMF vessels (Table 8, also see Figure 2 on p. 7 and Appendix 2).

Table 9: Specifications of CN Cushion Tank T106

Design Condition			
Flow rate	11.1 m ³ /d		
Design Criteria			
Retention time	1.5 Batch		
Tank calculation			
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total		
Required Tank Capacity	16.62 m ³		
Tank Dimension			
- Height	1900 mmH	2400 mmH	500mmH safety
- Length	3000 mmL	3000 mmL	
- Width	3000 mmW	3000 mmW	
	m³		
	17.1 (effective)	21.6 m³ (gross)	
Retention time	0.5 h		
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint		

2.1.4. CN monitoring process

The monitoring process utilizes three monitoring tanks T107A/B/C (Table 10) with the following operation principle: Reception – Measurement – Discharge.

Firstly, the filtered wastewater is pumped from T106 (Table 9) to 1 of 3 tanks. Then, the level of CN concentration is tested with a device called Total CN Analyzer. Analysis result is received after 30 minutes. **If the level of CN is lower than 0.2 ppm**, wastewater will be pumped to Ni Wastewater Tank T003 (Table 12) for future treatment. **If the level of CN concentration is greater than 0.2 ppm**, wastewater will be pumped to emergency tanks T005A/B (Table 44) or back to T001 (Table 2, also see Figure 2 on p. 7 and Appendix 2).

Within this CN monitoring process, no two tanks are either receiving, measuring or discharging wastewater at the same time.

Table 10: Specifications of CN Monitoring Tanks T107A/B/C

Design Condition			
Flow rate	11.3 m ³ /h		
Design Criteria			
Retention time	1 h		
Tank calculation			
Quantity	3 (Three) for duty 3 (Three) in total		
Required tank capacity	11.3 m³		
Tank Dimension			
- Height	2900 mmH	3400 mmH	500mmH safety
- Length	2000 mmL	2000 mmL	
- Width	2000 mmW	2000 mmW	
	11.6 m³ (effective)	13.6 m³ (gross)	
Retention time	1.0 h		
Material of construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint		

Table 11: Values of parameters before and after CN treatment

	Before CN treatment		After CN treatment	
Open hrs: 20 h/d				
DQ	226.0 kg/d	11.3 mg/L	8.1 kg/d	36.0 mg/L
COD	54.2 kg/d	240.0 mg/L	1.4 kg/d	6.0 mg/L
BOD	2.26 kg/d	10.00 mg/L	0.02 kg/d	0.07 mg/L
T-CN	16.72 kg/d	74.00 mg/L	0.03 kg/d	0.12 mg/L
Ni	1.36 kg/d	6.00 mg/L	0.68 kg/d	3.00 mg/L
Cu	1.36 kg/d	6.00 mg/L	0.03 kg/d	0.13 mg/L
Fe	0.11 kg/d	0.50 mg/L	0.06 kg/d	0.24 mg/L
pH	6 ~ 11		10.5	

Table 11 above shows that the levels of BOD, COD and CN have been reduced to meet the requirements of Column A of QCVN. However, as CN treatment requires CuSO_4 , concentration of Cu increases, while Ni has not been treated. Therefore, further treatment for heavy metals is required.

2.2. Treatment for Ni wastewater

2.2.1. Overview:

The simplified treatment process for Ni wastewater, and treated CN wastewater is depicted in the following diagram:

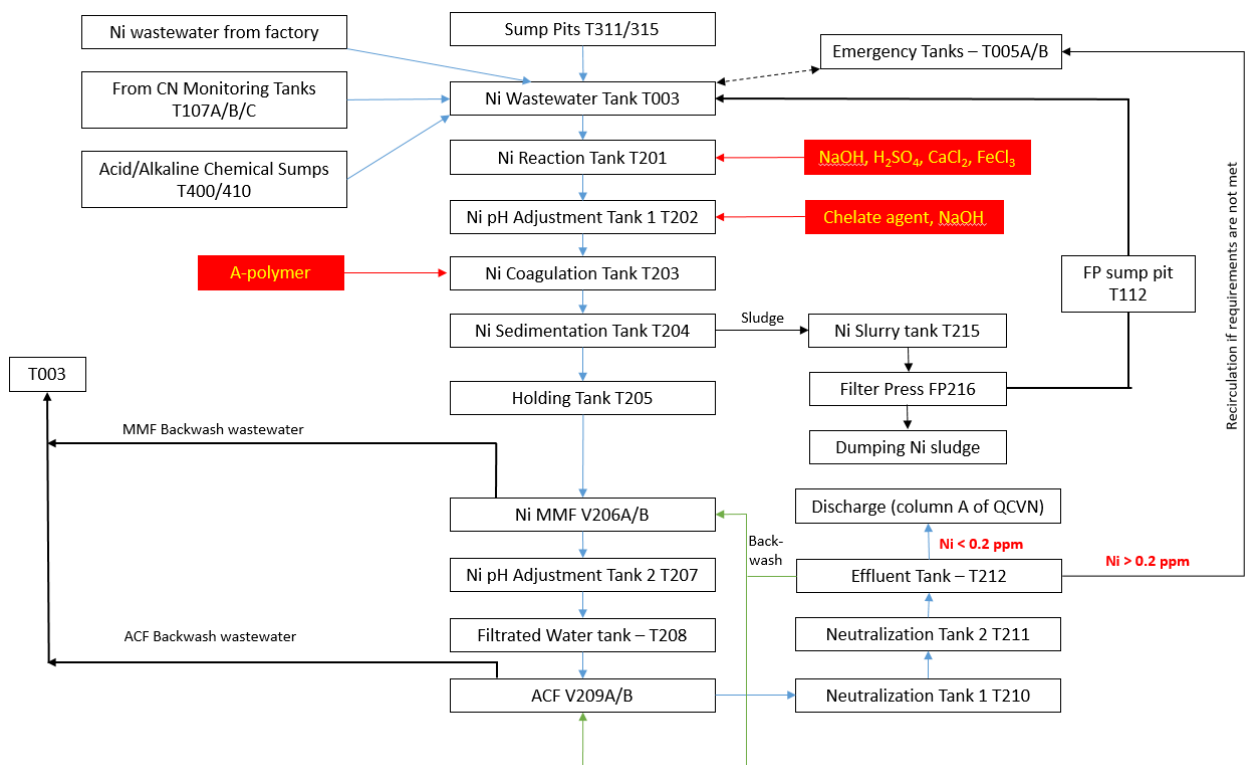


Figure 4: Ni wastewater treatment process (courtesy of OV presentation for WW discharge license at KVC).

2.2.2. Coagulation, flocculation and sedimentation for Ni wastewater:

As Figure 4 indicates, Ni wastewater from factory ($74.0 \text{ m}^3/\text{d} - 3.7 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$), along with treated CN wastewater from T107/A/B/C (Table 10), Filter Presses Sump Pit T112 (Table 42), Sump Pits T311/315 (Table 43), Acid Chemical Sump T400 (Table 45) and Alkaline Chemical Sump T410 (Table 45) are pumped to Ni Wastewater Tank T003 (Table 12). Appendix 2 shows that similar to T001 (Table 2), a submerged agitator is needed to stabilize the flow rates and concentrations of the whole tank.

Table 12: Specifications of Ni Wastewater Tank T003

Design Condition	
Flow rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	6 h
Tank calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required tank capacity	97.2 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	4000 mmH 5000 mmH 1000mmH safety
- Length	5000 mmL 5000 mmL
- Width	5000 mmW 5000 mmW
	100 m³ (effective) 125 m³ (gross)
Retention time	6.2 h
Material of construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	80 rpm
Tank Volume	100.0 m ³
Mixing power	0.01 kW/m ³ 1.0 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	1.0 kW
Type	Horizontal 4-Blade Impeller
Material	SS316

In Ni Reaction Tank T201 (Table 13), NaOH and H₂SO₄ are initially injected to decrease pH. Then FeCl₃ is injected as flocculant. At **pH 5.0**, FeCl₃ reacts with pollutants, creating micro flocs. CaCl₂ is injected as well and serves as a catalyst for the reactions and flocs formation.

Table 13: Specifications of Ni Reaction Tank T201

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	10 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	2.7 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	1700 mmH 2200 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	1100 mmW 1100 mmW
- Length	1500 mmL 1500 mmL
	2.8 m³ (effective) 3.6 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	10.4 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	80 rpm
Tank Volume	2.8 m ³
Mixing power	0.4 kW/m ³ 1.1 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	1.5 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

After T201, wastewater overflows to Ni pH Adjustment Tank 1 T202 (Table 14). As the wastewater now contains high concentrations of Fe, Ca, Cu and Ni, NaOH is injected to precipitate the heavy metals. A chelate agent is also injected to specifically form a metal complex with Ni, as explained in section 1.4.

Table 14: Specifications of Ni pH Adjustment Tank 1 T202

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	10 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	2.7 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	1700 mmH 2200 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	1100 mmW 1100 mmW
- Length	1500 mmL 1500 mmL
	2.8 m³ (effective) 3.6 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	10.4 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	80 rpm
Tank Volume	2.8 m ³
Mixing power	0.4 kW/m ³ 1.1 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	1.5 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

From T202, wastewater overflows to Ni Coagulation Tank T203 (Table 15), and then Ni Sedimentation Tank T204 (Table 16). Similar to CN treatment, A-Polymer is injected to form larger flocs. The flocs then settle in T204 due to gravity. The sludge scrapped from T204 is pumped to Ni Slurry Tank T215 (Table 39, also see Figure 4 on p. 17 and Appendix 2).

Table 15: Specifications of Ni Coagulation Tank T203

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	15 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	4.1 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	2500 mmH 3000 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	1200 mmW 1200 mmW
- Length	1500 mmL 1500 mmL
	4.5 m³ (effective) 5.4 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	16.7 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	20 rpm
Tank Volume	4.5 m ³
Mixing power	0.1 kW/m ³ 0.5 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.75 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

Table 16: Specifications of Ni Sedimentation Tank T204

Design Conditions	
Flow rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Settling Velocity	1.0 m ³ / m ² /h
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Settling Area	16.2 m ²
Required Tank Diameter	4.5 mD
Designed Tank Diameter	5.0 mD
Tank Dimension	
- Height	4450 mmH 5250 mmH 500mmH safety
- Diameter	4500 mmD + bottom slope
- Length	4500 mmL 4500 mmL
- Width	4500 mmW 4500 mmW
	90.1 m³ (effective) 106.3 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	5.6 h
Material construction	Reinforced Concrete with Water Proof
Sludge scrapper	
Flow rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Tank Dimension	4500 mmD
Rake circumference speed	1.5 m/min
Motor speed	1800 rpm
Motor mechanical efficiency	0.97
Rake arm diameter	4.2 m
Reduction Gear Ratio	1/15351
<i>Selected Reducer</i>	<i>1/16211 0.01 rpm 0.75 kW</i>
Material	SS316

Holding Tank T205 (Table 17) is used to store the clear water after settling from T204 (Table 16), which also measures the quality of settled wastewater. Table 18 shows the wastewater parameters before and after Ni sedimentation.

Table 17: Specifications of Holding Tank T205

Design conditions			
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h		
Design Criteria			
Retention time	30 mins		
Capacity Calculation			
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total		
Required Tank capacity	8.1 m³		
Tank Dimension			
- Depth	1700 mmH	2200 mmH	500mmH safety
- Width	2500 mmW	2500 mmW	
- Length	2000 mmL	2000 mmL	
	8.5 m³ (effective)		11.0 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	31.5 mins		
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint		

Table 18: Values of parameters before and after Ni sedimentation

	Before Ni Sedimentation		After Ni Sedimentation	
Open hs: 20h/d				
DQ	325.0 m ³ /d	16.2 m ³ /h		
BOD	2.1 kg/d	6.4 mg/L	1.9 kg/d	5.8 mg/L
COD	8.88 kg/d	27.31 mg/L	7.10 kg/d	21.85 mg/L
T-CN	0.02 kg/d	0.05 mg/L	0.01 kg/d	0.02 mg/L
Ni	8.17 kg/d	25.13 mg/L	0.04 kg/d	0.13 mg/L
Cu	0.69 kg/d	2.11 mg/L	0.16 kg/d	0.50 mg/L
Fe	0.10 kg/d	0.31 mg/L	0.00 kg/d	0.01 mg/L
pH	~8.0		~10.0	

Table 18 indicates that after sedimentation, both Ni and Cu concentrations have been reduced.

2.2.3. Ni MMF, pH adjustment 2 and activated carbon filtration (ACF):

Two Ni MMF vessels V206A/B (Table 19) are installed to reduce residual suspended solids in Ni treatment, similarly to CN MMF V105A/B (Table 8).

Table 19: Specifications of Ni MMF Vessels V206A/B

Design Condition		
Flow rate	16.2	m ³ /h
Design Criteria		
Linear Velocity	7.5	m ³ /m ² /h
Vessel Calculation		
Quantity	2	(Two) for duty 2 (Two) in total
Filter media, per vessel		
Gravel	200	mmH
Coarse garnet	50	mmH
Fine garnet	100	mmH
Silica sand	350	mmH
Anthracite	600	mmH
Total	1300	mmH
Effective filter	1.2	mH
Volume	1.36	m³
Vessel height	2300	mH 1000mmH safety
Required vessel diameter	1.07	mD
Designed vessel diameter	1.20	mD
MMF Backwash		
Backwash Linear Velocity	35.0	m ³ /m ² /h
Backwash frequency	1	(One batch) per day 12 mins/batch
Flowrate (per vessel)	39.6	m³/h 15.8 m³/d, both vessels

After multimedia filtration, Ni wastewater is led to pH Adjustment Tank 2 T207 (Table 20). This second pH adjustment tank serves to adjust pH to **pH 5.5** for further treatment.

Table 20: Specifications of pH Adjustment Tank 2 T207

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	10 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	2.7 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	1700 mmH 2200 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	1100 mmW 1100 mmW
- Length	1500 mmL 1500 mmL
	2.8 m³ (effective) 3.6 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	10.4 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	300 rpm
Tank Volume	2.8 m ³
Mixing power	0.4 kW/m ³ 1.1 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	1.5 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

After the second pH adjustment, filtered wastewater is temporarily stored in Filtrated Water Tank T208 (Table 21).

Table 21: Specifications of Filtrated Water Tank T208

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	40 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	10.8 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	2000 mmH 2500 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	2200 mmW 2200 mmW
- Length	2500 mmL 2500 mmL
	11.0 m³ (effective) 13.8 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	40.7 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint

Two ACF vessels V209A/B (Table 22) serve to eliminate other dissolved pollutants that the previous units could not reduce (for example, residual chlorine). In addition, the activated carbon layer also reduces the COD concentration and remove odors and color. After ACF, the filtered water is transferred to Neutralization Tank 1 T210 (Table 23).

Table 22: Specifications of ACF Vessels V209A/B

Design Condition		
Flow rate	16.2	m ³ /h
Design Criteria		
Linear Velocity	12.0	m ³ /m ² /h
Vessel Calculation		
Quantity	2	(Two) for duty 2 (Two) in total
Filter media, per vessel		
Effective filter Height	1.2	mH
Volume	0.94	m³
Vessel height	1.8	mH 600mmH safety
Required vessel diameter	0.85	mD
Designed vessel diameter	1.00	mD
ACF Backwash		
Backwash Linear Velocity	35.0	m ³ /m ² /h
Backwash frequency	1	(One batch) per day 10 mins/batch
Flowrate (per vessel)	27.5	m³/h 9.2 m³/d, both vessels

For the backwash step of Ni MMF and ACF vessels, backwash water is pumped from Effluent Tank T212 (Table 25). The wastewater from backwashing and rinsing of vessels is circulated back to T003 for re-treatment (see Figure 4 on p. 17 and Appendix 2)

2.2.4. Final pH treatment and Discharge

For extra safety and satisfied quality treatment, two neutralization tanks, T210 (Table 23) and T211 (Table 24) are employed. The pH of wastewater is monitored and adjusted to acceptable level using an automatic pH sensor and acid/alkaline injection systems.

Table 23: Specifications of Neutralization Tank 1 T210

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	5 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	1.4 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Diameter	1200 mmD 1200 mmD
- Height	1300 mmH 1800 mmH 500mmH safety
	1.5 m³ (effective) 2.0 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	5.4 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	300 rpm
Tank Volume	1.5 m ³
Mixing power	0.4 kW/m ³ 0.6 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.75 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

Table 24: Specifications of Neutralization Tank 2 T211

Design conditions	
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h
Design Criteria	
Retention time	10 mins
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	2.7 m³
Tank Dimension	
- Depth	1300 mmH 1800 mmH 500mmH safety
- Width	1500 mmW 1500 mmW
- Length	1500 mmL 1500 mmL
	2.9 m³ (effective) 4.1 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	10.8 mins
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint
Agitator	
Revolution	300 rpm
Tank Volume	2.9 m ³
Mixing power	0.4 kW/m ³ 1.2 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	1.5 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

Before discharging to the environment, the treated wastewater is stored in Effluent Tank T212 (Table 25). In case the desired quality is not achieved, the treated wastewater will be pumped to Emergency Tanks T005A/B (Table 44 and also see figure 4 on p. 17 and Appendix – P&ID). T212 also supplies backwash water for Ni MMF V206A/B (Table 19) and ACF V209A/B (Table 22 and Appendix 2).

Table 25: Specifications of Effluent Tank T212

Design conditions			
Flow Rate	16.2 m ³ /h		
Design Criteria			
Retention time	10 mins		
Capacity Calculation			
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total		
Required Tank capacity	2.7 m³		
Tank Dimension			
- Depth	1300 mmH	1800 mmH	500mmH safety
- Width	1500 mmW	1500 mmW	
- Length	1500 mmL	1500 mmL	
	2.9 m³ (effective)		4.1 m³ (gross)
Retention Time	10.8 mins		
Material of Construction	Reinforced Concrete with Epoxy Paint		
Discharge	15 m³/h		

Comparing parameters' values after Ni treatment in Table 26 and those given in Column A of QCVN shown in Table 1, it can be concluded that the treatment for CN and Ni is successful.

Table 26: Values of parameters before Ni treatment and at Discharge

	Before Ni Treatment		Discharge	
Open hs: 20h/d				
DQ	324.98 m ³ /d	16.25 m ³ /h	300.00 m ³ /d	15.00 m ³ /h
BOD	2.10 kg/d	6.45 mg/L	1.89 kg/d	6.29 mg/L
COD	8.88 kg/d	27.31 mg/L	3.55 kg/d	11.83 mg/L
T-CN	0.02 kg/d	0.05 mg/L	0.00 kg/d	0.01 mg/L
Ni	8.17 kg/d	25.13 mg/L	0.02 kg/d	0.08 mg/L
Cu	0.69 kg/d	2.11 mg/L	0.16 kg/d	0.54 mg/L
Fe	0.10 kg/d	0.31 mg/L	0.00 kg/d	0.01 mg/L
pH	8 ~9		9.50	

2.3. Chemical supply:

2.3.1. Acid and Alkaline

Due to OV's safety regulations, the supply of acid and alkaline chemicals differs from those of other chemicals. Storage tanks are needed to contain the delivered concentrated chemicals. The concentrated chemicals are then pumped to service tanks for dilution using potable water, before being pumped to the treatment system.

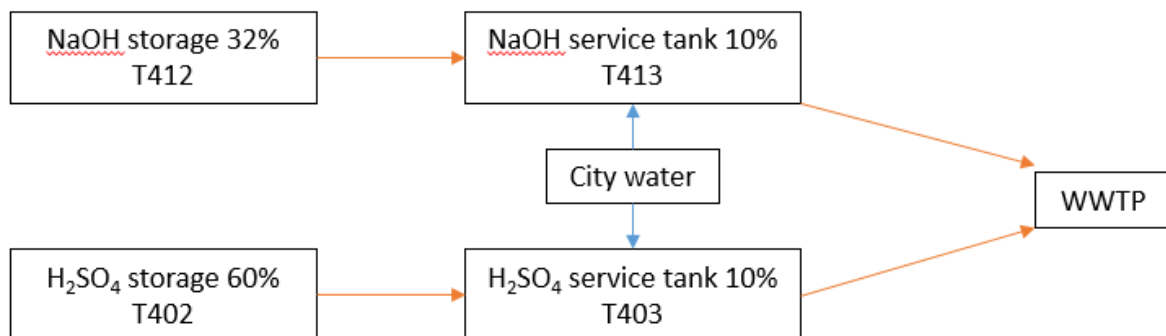


Figure 5: Acid and Alkaline chemical supply (courtesy of OV presentation for WW discharge license at KVC)

NaOH is supplied mainly to T202 (Table 14) to precipitate metals: Fe, Ca, Cu and Ni. Table 27 and Table 28 give the specifications of the storage tank and service tank for NaOH, respectively.

Table 27: Specifications of 32% NaOH Storage Tank T412

Design Conditions	
NaOH required for T202	120.5 kg/d
NaOH concentration	32 %
NaOH consumption	0.377 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	7.0 d
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	2.6 m ³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	1500 mmD
- Height	1750 mmH 3.1 m ³
Material of construction	FRP

Table 28: Specifications of NaOH Service Tank T413

Design Conditions	
NaOH from T412	120.5 kg/d
NaOH concentration	10 %
NaOH consumption	1.205 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	0.2 d
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	0.2 m ³

Tank dimension	
- Diameter	900 mmD
- Height	1000 mmH
	0.6 m³
Material of construction	FRP

H₂SO₄ is supplied to T101 (Table 3), T201 (Table 13) and T207 (Table 20) to decrease pH to 5.0 ~ 5.5. Specifications of storage tank and service tank for H₂SO₄ are listed in Table 29 and Table 30 respectively.

Table 29: Specifications of 60% H₂SO₄ Storage Tank T402

Design Conditions	
H ₂ SO ₄ required for T101	11.1 kg/d
H ₂ SO ₄ required for T201	5.2 kg/d
H ₂ SO ₄ required for T207	1.6 kg/d
Total H ₂ SO ₄ requirement	17.9 kg/d
H ₂ SO ₄ concentration	60 %
H ₂ SO ₄ consumption	0.030 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	30.0 d
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	0.9 m³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	900 mmD
- Height	1500 mmH
	1.0 m³
Material of construction	FRP

Table 30: Specifications of H₂SO₄ Service Tank T403

Design Conditions	
H ₂ SO ₄ from T402	17.9 kg/d
H ₂ SO ₄ concentration	10 %
H ₂ SO ₄ consumption	0.179 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	1.0 d
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	0.2 m³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	900 mmD
- Height	1000 mmH 0.6 m³
Material of construction	FRP
Agitator	
Revolution	300 rpm
Tank Volume	0.6 m ³
Mixing power	0.15 kW/m ³ 0.09 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.1 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

2.3.2. Other Chemicals

CuSO_4 and NaHSO_3 are delivered to the site in powder form, instead of concentrated solutions. Therefore, they need to be dissolved and mixed well with potable water before being pumped to the treatment system (Figure 6).

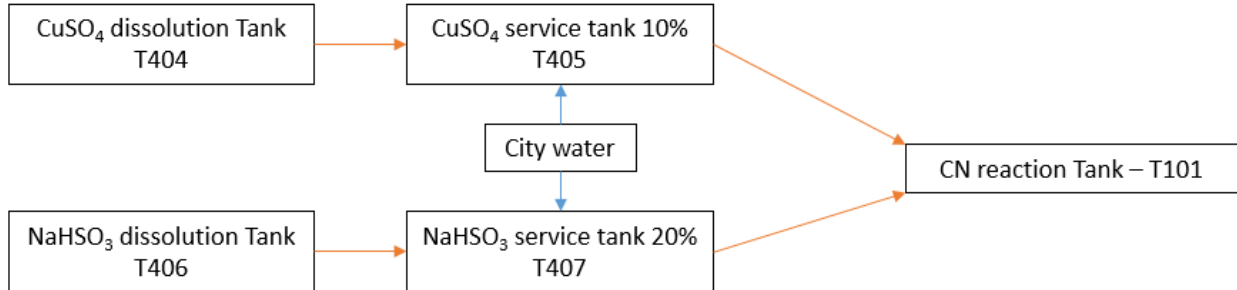


Figure 6: CuSO_4 and NaHSO_3 chemical supply (courtesy of OV presentation for WW discharge license at KVC).

CuSO_4 is supplied to T101 (Table 3) to react with CN in wastewater. Specifications of dissolution tank and service tank for CuSO_4 are given in Table 31

Table 31: Specifications of CuSO_4 Dissolution Tank T404 and CuSO_4 Service Tank T405

Design conditions	
CuSO ₄ required for T101	133.8 kg/d
CuSO ₄ concentration	15 %
CuSO ₄ consumption	0.892 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	1.0 d
Capacity Calculation for CuSO₄ Dissolution Tank T404	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	0.9 m ³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	900 mmD
- Height	1500 mmH
	1.0 m ³
Material of construction	FRP

Agitator for CuSO₄ Dissolution Tank T404	
Revolution	300 rpm
Tank Volume	1.0 m ³
Mixing power	0.2 kW/m ³
	0.2 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty
	1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.2 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316
Capacity calculation for CuSO₄ service Tank - T405	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty
	1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	1.2 m³
Tank dimension	
- Length	1000 mmL
- Width	1200 mmW
- Height	1000 mmH
	1.2 m³
Material of construction	FRP

NaHSO₃ is supplied to T101 (Table 3) to aid in the treatment of CN using CuSO₄. Specifications of dissolution tank and service tank for NaHSO₃ are given in Table 32.

Table 32: Specifications of NaHSO₃ Dissolution Tank T406 and NaHSO₃ Service Tank T407

Design conditions	
NaHSO ₃ required for T101	334.5 kg/d
NaHSO ₃ concentration	20 %
NaHSO ₃ consumption	1.673 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	0.5 d

Capacity Calculation for NaHSO₃ dissolution Tank - T406	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	0.8 m³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	900 mmD
- Height	1450 mmH 0.9 m³
Material of construction	FRP
Agitator for NaHSO₃ Dissolution Tank T406	
Revolution	300 rpm
Tank Volume	0.9 m ³
Mixing power	0.2 kW/m ³ 0.2 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.2 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316
Capacity calculation for NaHSO₃ service tank T407	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	1.0 m³
Tank dimension	
- Length	1000 mmL
- Width	1000 mmW
- Height	1000 mmH 1.0 m³
Material of construction	FRP

CaCl_2 and FeCl_3 are used in concentrated solutions, therefore, dilution is not required. However, they are pumped to T201 only (Figure 7).

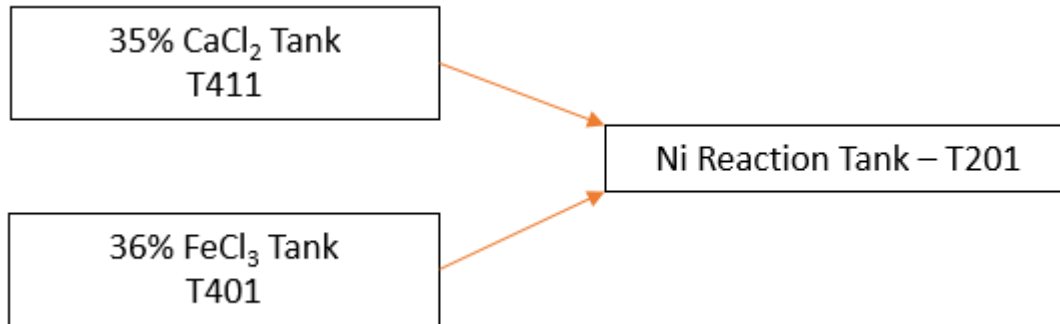


Figure 7: CaCl_2 and FeCl_3 chemical supply (courtesy of OV presentation for WW discharge license at KVC)

CaCl_2 is supplied to T201 (Table 13) to aid in flocs formation. Specifications of CaCl_2 storage tank are given in Table 33.

Table 33: Specifications of 35% CaCl_2 Storage Tank T411

Design conditions	
CaCl ₂ required for T201	16.2 kg/d
CaCl ₂ concentration	35 %
CaCl ₂ consumption	0.046 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	7.0 d
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	0.3 m³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	900 mmD
- Height	1000 mmH
	0.6 m³
Material of construction	FRP

FeCl₃ is supplied to T201 (Table 13) as coagulant. Specifications of FeCl₃ storage tank are given in Table 34

Table 34: Specifications of FeCl₃ Storage Tank T401

Design Conditions	
FeCl ₃ required for T201	152.3 kg/d
FeCl ₃ concentration	36 %
FeCl ₃ consumption	0.423 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	7.0 d
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	3.0 m³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	1500 mmD
- Height	2000 mmH 3.5 m³
Material of construction	FRP

Similar to CuSO₄ and NaHSO₃, A-polymer and chelate agent are delivered in powder. While the dissolution of A-polymer requires an agitator, the dissolution of chelate agent does not. Both tanks need potable water for the dissolution process, as Figure 8 demonstrates:

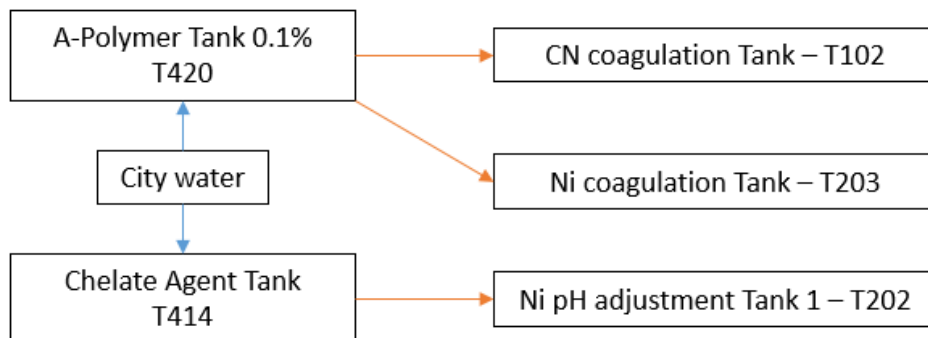


Figure 8: A-polymer and Chelate Agent chemical supply (courtesy of OV presentation for WW discharge license at KVC).

A-polymer is supplied to T102 (Table 4) and T203 (Table 15) as flocculant. Specifications of A-polymer tank are given in Table 35.

Table 35: Specifications of A-polymer Tank T420

Design conditions	
A-polymer required for T102	0.9 kg/d
A-polymer required for T203	1.3 kg/d
Total A-polymer required	2.2 kg/d
A-polymer concentration	0.1 %
A-polymer consumption	2.2 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention Time	1.0 d
Capacity Calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	2.2 m³
Tank dimension	
- Diameter	1200 mmD
- Height	2200 mmH
	2.5 m³
Material of construction	FRP
Agitator	
Revolution	300 rpm
Tank Volume	2.5 m ³
Mixing power	0.15 kW/m ³
	0.4 kW
Selected Agitator Size	0.4 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

Chelate agent is supplied to T202 (Table 14) to specifically treat Ni in wastewater. Specifications of Chelate agent tank are listed in Table 36.

Table 36: Specifications of Chelate Agent Tank T414

Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank Capacity	0.2 m ³
- Diameter	500 mmD
- Height	1000 mmH 0.2 m ³
Material of construction	FRP

2.4. Sludge treatment and pits:

2.4.1. Sludge treatment

In CN Sedimentation Tank T103 (Table 5) and Ni Sedimentation Tank T204 (Table 16), the slurry is scrapped to a central hole at the bottom of the tanks. A specialized slurry transfer pump is used to deliver the slurry streams to their respective CN Slurry Tank T110 (Table 38) and Ni Slurry Tank T215 (Table 39).

The components of 2 slurry streams are given in Table 37 below:

Table 37: Components of two slurry streams from CN and Ni Sedimentation Tanks:

Flow rate	5.3 m3/d	Flow rate	8.5 m3/d
CN slurry	1.5%	Ni slurry	1.5%
Dissolved solids	79.0 kg/d	Dissolved solids	127.1 kg/d
CuCN	57.6 kg/d	Cu(OH) ₂	1.1 kg/d
Cu(OH) ₂	19.1 kg/d	Ni(OH) ₂	12.9 kg/d
Ni(OH) ₂	2.1 kg/d	Fe(OH) ₃	100.6 kg/d
Fe(OH) ₃	0.2 kg/d	Organic	1.8 kg/d
Organic	0.5 kg/d	Ca(OH) ₂	10.8 kg/d

Table 38: Specifications of CN Slurry Tank T110

Design conditions	
Flow rate	5.3 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention time	12.0 h
Capacity calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	2.7 m ³
Tank dimension	
- Height	1000 mmH
- Length	1500 mmL
- Width	2000 mmW
	3.0 m ³
Material of construction	Reinforced Concrete with Water Proof
Agitator	
Revolution	10.1 rpm
Tank Volume	3.0 m ³
Mixing power	0.05 kW/m ³ 0.2 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.2 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

Table 39: Specifications of Ni Slurry Tank T215

Design conditions	
Flow rate	8.5 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention time	12.0 h
Capacity calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	4.3 m ³
Tank dimension	
- Height	1500 mmH
- Length	1500 mmL
- Width	2000 mmW
	4.5 m ³
Material of construction	Reinforced Concrete with Water Proof
Agitator	
Revolution	10.1 rpm
Tank Volume	4.5 m ³
Mixing power	0.08 kW/m ³ 0.4 kW
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Selected Agitator Size	0.4 kW
Type	Vertical Pitched Paddle
Material	SS316

For each slurry tank, a filter press is used to dehydrate the sludge (Table 40 and Table 41). Water from the filter presses is collected into Filter Presses Sump Pit T112 (Table 42), to be pumped to T003 (Table 12 and Appendix P&ID) for treatment. Dehydrated sludge is packed for delivery for further treatment or use.

Table 40: Specifications of Filter Press FP111 and sludge dumping of CN slurry

Design Conditions	
CuCN	57.6 kg/d
Cu(OH) ₂	19.1 kg/d
Ni(OH) ₂	2.1 kg/d
Fe(OH) ₃	0.2 kg/d
Organic	0.5 kg/d
Total Dissolved Solids	79.5 kg/d
Sludge concentration	75 %
Sludge load (for dumping)	318.0 kg/d
Wet sludge (for dumping)	238.5 kg/d
Design Criteria	
Loading	2.0 kg/m ²
Open Batch	2 Batch/day
Capacity calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Area	79.5 m ² /Batch
Required Volume	0.16 m ³ /Batch
To FP sump pit - T112	5.0 m³/d

Table 41: Specifications of Filter Press FP216 and sludge dumping of Ni slurry

Design Conditions	
Ca(OH) ₂	10.8 kg/d
Cu(OH) ₂	1.1 kg/d
Ni(OH) ₂	12.9 kg/d
Fe(OH) ₃	100.6 kg/d
Organic	1.8 kg/d
Total Dissolved Solids	127.2 kg/d
Sludge concentration	75 %
Sludge load (for dumping)	508.8 kg/d
Wet sludge (for dumping)	381.6 kg/d
Design Criteria	
Loading	2.0 kg/m ²
Open Batch	2 Batch/day
Capacity calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Area	127.2 m ² /Batch
Required Volume	0.25 m ³ /Batch
To FP sump pit - T112	8.0 m³/d

Table 42: Specifications of Filter Presses Sump Pit T112

Design condition	
From FP111	5.0 m ³ /d
From FP216	8.0 m ³ /d
Total	13.0 m ³ /d
Design Criteria	
Retention time	20 h

Capacity calculation	
Quantity	1 (One) for duty 1 (One) in total
Required Tank capacity	13.0 m ³
Tank dimension	
- Height	2000 mmH
- Length	2700 mmL
- Width	2700 mmW
	14.6 m ³

2.4.2. Sump pits, chemical pits and emergency tanks:

In the incident of leaking/overflowing from wastewater tanks, vessels, pipes and pumps, the leaked/overflowed wastewater is drained to five drain sumps No.1 to No.5. Drain sumps No. 2, 3 and 4 are used for CN treatment, while drain sumps No. 1 and No. 5 are used for Ni treatment (Appendix P&ID). Drainage wastewater is collected in five sump pits, T311/312/313/314/315 (Table 43). Similar to how the drain sumps are numbered, drainage water from T312, T313 and T314 is pumped to CN WW tank T001 (Table 2) while drainage water from T311 and T315 is pumped to Ni WW Tank T003 (Table 12).

Table 43: Specifications of Sump Pit T311/312/313/314/315

Quantity	5 (Five) for duty 5 (Five) in total
Required pit volume	0.2 m ³
Tank dimension	
- Depth	800 mmH
- Length	500 mmL
- Width	500 mmW
	0.2 m ³

Two Emergency Tanks T005A/B (Table 44) are used to store emergency flow from factory and excess wastewater from T001 (Table 2) and T003 (Table 12). In addition, if CN and Ni treatment do not produce acceptable discharge quality according to Column A of QCVN, then wastewater from CN Monitoring Tanks T107A/B/C (Table 10) and Effluent Tank T212 (Table 25) will be

pumped to emergency tanks for further treatment and/or for waiting further decision from KVC management board (appendix – P&ID).

Table 44: Specifications of Emergency Tank T005A/B

Quantity	2 (Two) for duty 2 (Two) in total
Required Tank Capacity	100.0 m ³
Tank Dimension	
- Height	4500 mmH
- Length	5000 mmL
- Width	5000 mmW
	112.5 m ³
Material of construction	Reinforced Concrete with Water Proof

Acid Chemical Sump T400 and Alkaline Chemical Sump T410 (Table 45) are used to store wastewater from the acid and alkaline storage and service tanks. Wastewater from T400 and T410 is pumped to T003 (Table 12) for treatment (appendix – P&ID). T400 and T410 are identical in design

Table 45: Specifications of Acid Chemical Sump T400 and Alkaline Chemical Sump T410

Quantity	2 (One) for duty 2 (One) in total
Required pit volume	1.0 m ³
Tank dimension	
- Depth	1000 mmH
- Length	1000 mmL
- Width	1000 mmW
	1.0 m ³

3. Discussions and Limitations

3.1. Discussions

In general, this thesis project is based on the physio-chemical treatment for wastewater, which has been developed and employed for several decades. However, coagulation – flocculation – sedimentation can reduce suspended solids to a certain level, but not necessarily eliminate colors, odors. Moreover, as the retention time for KVC Sedimentation Tanks is 6 hours, the wastewater can be contaminated with other substances from rain water. Therefore, following filter vessels (MMF and/or ACF) are required to eliminate residual suspended solids. The filter media must be monitored and replaced periodically.

The CN monitoring process at KVC is altogether modern and innovative. As three tanks are installed and no two tanks are either receiving, monitoring or discharging at the same time, the quality of CN treated WW can be assessed rather objectively.

3.2. Limitations

There are many limitations in this design, which can be classified into structural limitations and situational limitations.

Firstly, little is known about the terrain and structural layout of the area on which this treatment plant could be built. Therefore, it is impossible to deduct the suitable dimensions for the required tanks, pits and vessels. Many of the dimensions were calculated to fit the required volumes and were not following any specific principles of construction. Moreover, placements for tanks, vessels and pits were not included in this study. As such, pumping and piping specifications could not be designed and calculated properly, nor shown in the P&ID.

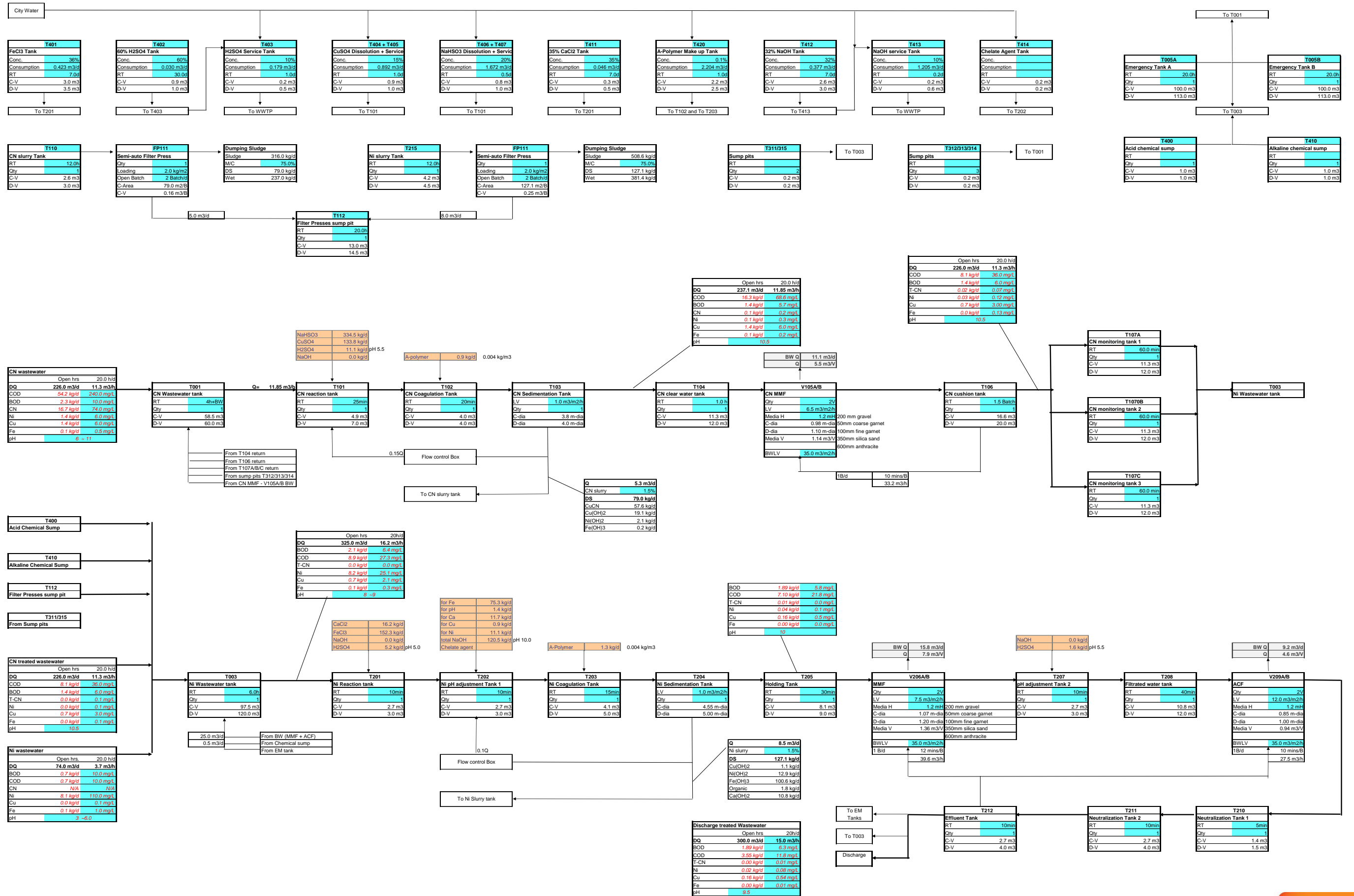
Secondly, situational limitations include but are not limited to WW components and chemical injections. The modified system in this study serves only to treat WW containing high SS and heavy metals. If the factory WW contains excessive organic materials, this treatment philosophy, and its equipment, may not be suitable. Furthermore, as the concentrations of WW components fluctuate, the loads and flow rates of treatment chemicals (acid, alkaline, etc.) have to be adjusted accordingly. This thesis project, however, introduced ONE variation of WW component only, without any equipment for precise chemical injections. In reality, at KVC manufacturing plant, there is a device called 'pH cleaner' to adjust pH to proper level at T101 (Table 3), T201 (Table 13) and T210 (Table 23).

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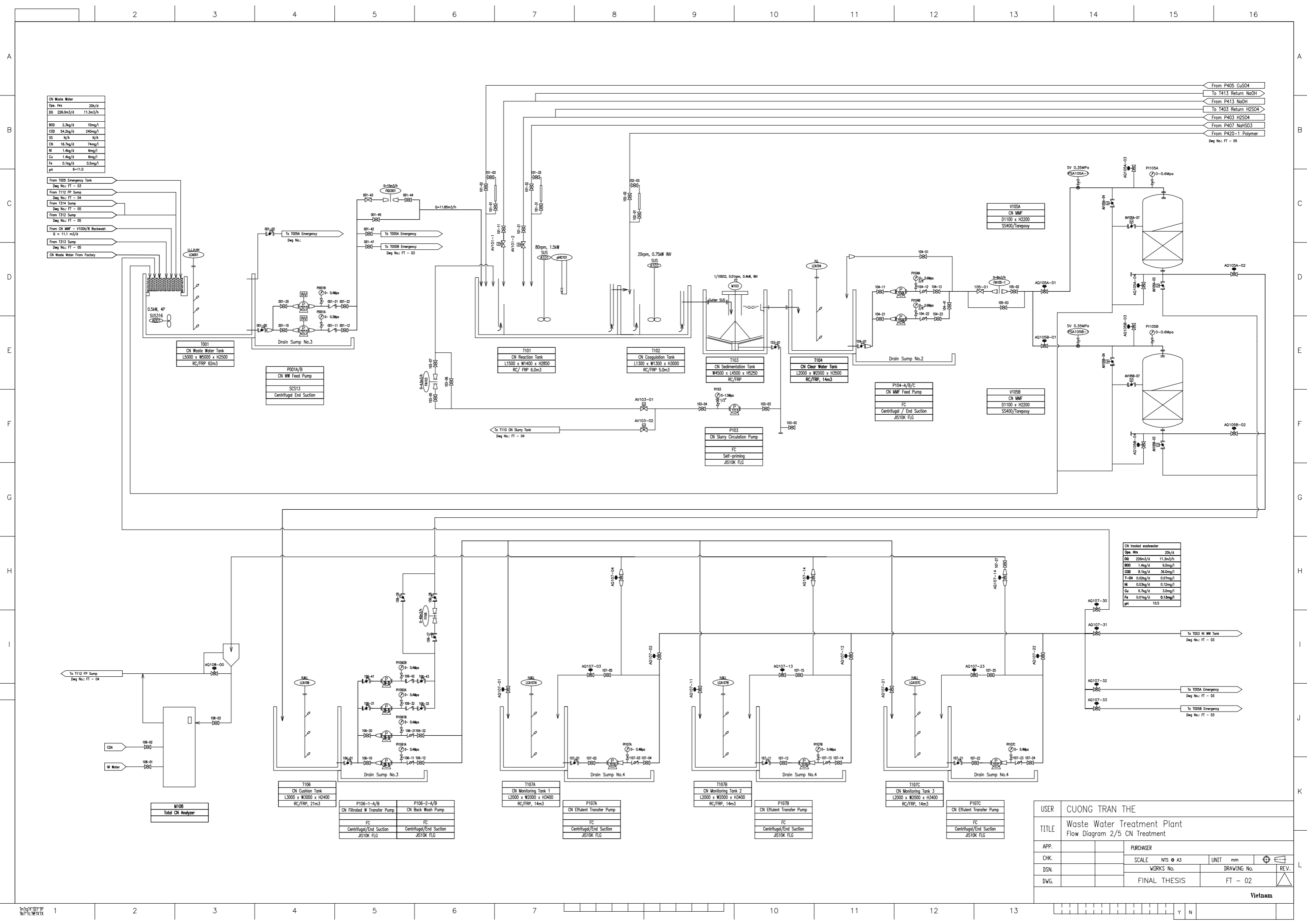
Appendix 1: Water-material Balance



Appendix 2: Process & Instrument Diagram

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
A	TANK/PIT EQUIPMENTS			VALVE SYMBOLS			VALVE SYMBOLS (CONT.)			OTHER EQUIPMENTS			PROCESS PIPING			
B		GARBAGE SCREENER		BUTTERFLY VALVE (LEVER OPERATED)		FLEX VALVE		LINE REDUCER		MAIN PROCESS FLOW PIPING						
C		WATER LEVEL SENSOR (FLOAT TYPE)		BUTTERFLY VALVE (GAUGE OPERATED)		SOLENOID VALVE		LINE INCREASER		SECONDARY FLOW PIPING						
D		WATER LEVEL SENSOR (ROD TYPE)		BUTTERFLY VALVE (AIR OPERATED)		PETCOCK VALVE		HORIZONTAL CENTRIFUGAL PUMP								
E		WATER LEVEL SENSOR (FOR CHEMICAL TANKS)		BALL VALVE		GATE VALVE		SUBMERSIBLE PUMP (FOR PITS)								
F		TANK MIXER (FOR TANK STABILIZATION)		BUTTERFLY VALVE (AIR OPERATED)		RELIEF VALVE		POSITIVE DISPLACEMENT PUMP (FOR CHEMICALS)								
G		TANK MIXER (FOR CHEMICAL MIXING)		CHECK VALVE		FLOW CHECKER (FOR CHEMICALS)		FIQC FLOW INDICATOR (FOR WATER)								
H		pH INDICATOR		BALL-CHECK VALVE		STRAINER		FLOW INDICATOR (FOR CHEMICALS)								
I		AIR VENT (FOR CHEMICAL TANKS)		DIAPHRAM VALVE				PI PRESSURE INDICATOR								
				DIAPHRAM VALVE (AIR OPERATED)				PSA PRESSURE INDICATOR WITH ALARM								
				AQUAMATIC DIAPHRAM VALVE				SAMPLING VALVE								
								IN-LINE MIXER								

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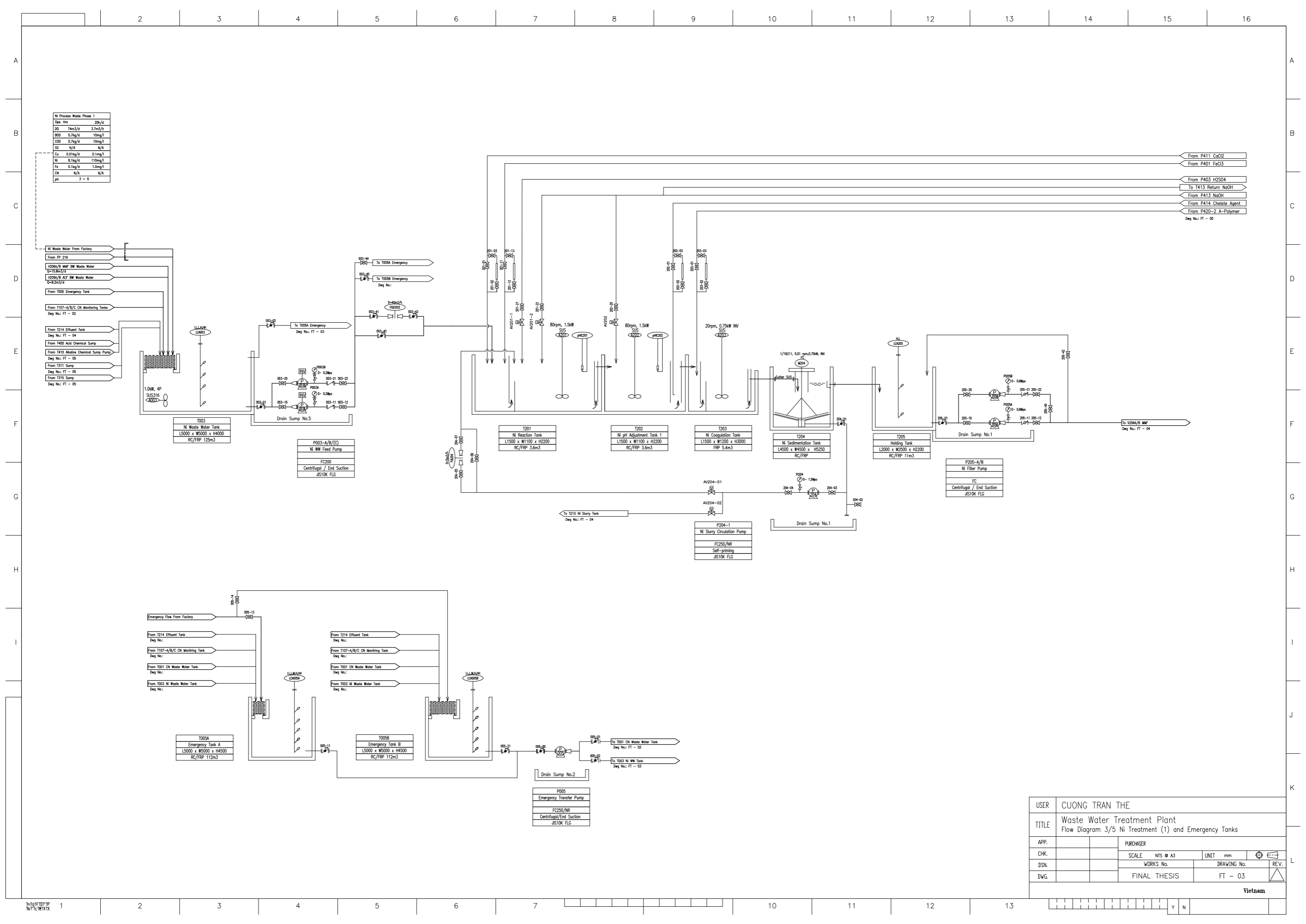


CN Waste Water	
Op. Hrs	20h/d
DO	226.0m ³ /d 11.3m ³ /h
BOD	2.3kg/d 10mg/l
COD	54.2kg/d 240mg/l
SS	N/A N/A
CN	16.7kg/d 74mg/l
N	1.4kg/d 6mg/l
Cu	0.1kg/d 0.5mg/l
Fe	0.1kg/d 0.5mg/l
pH	6-11.0

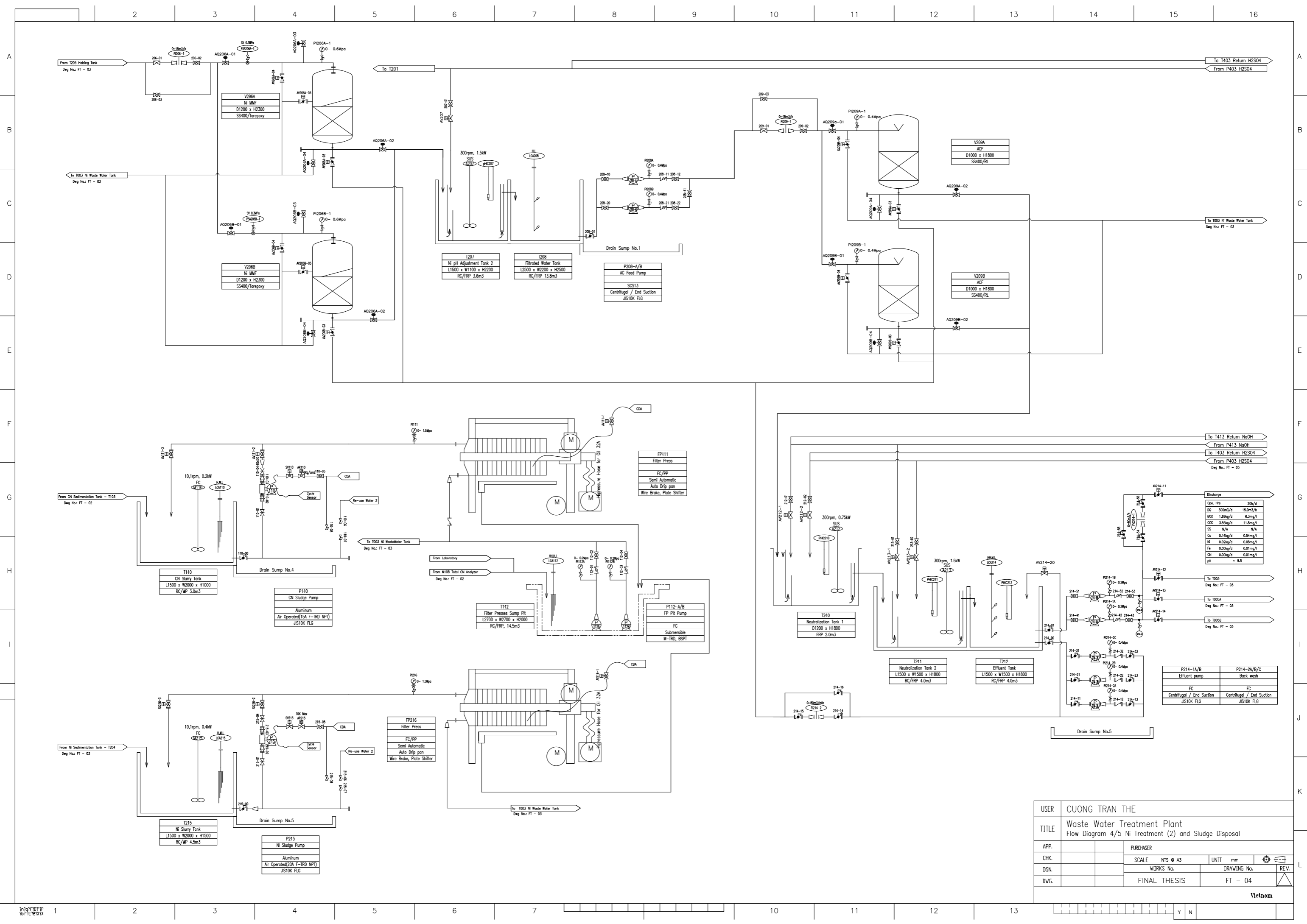
From P405 CuSO4
To T413 Return NaOH
From F413 NaOH
To T403 Return H2SO4
From F403 H2SO4
From F407 NaHSO3
From F420-1 Polymer

CN treated wastewater	
Op. Hrs	20h/d
DO	226m ³ /d 11.3m ³ /h
BOD	1.4kg/d 6.0mg/l
COD	0.1kg/d 0.7mg/l
T-SS	0.02kg/d 0.15mg/l
N	0.7kg/d 3.0mg/l
Cu	0.01kg/d 0.15mg/l
Fe	0.01kg/d 0.15mg/l
pH	10.5

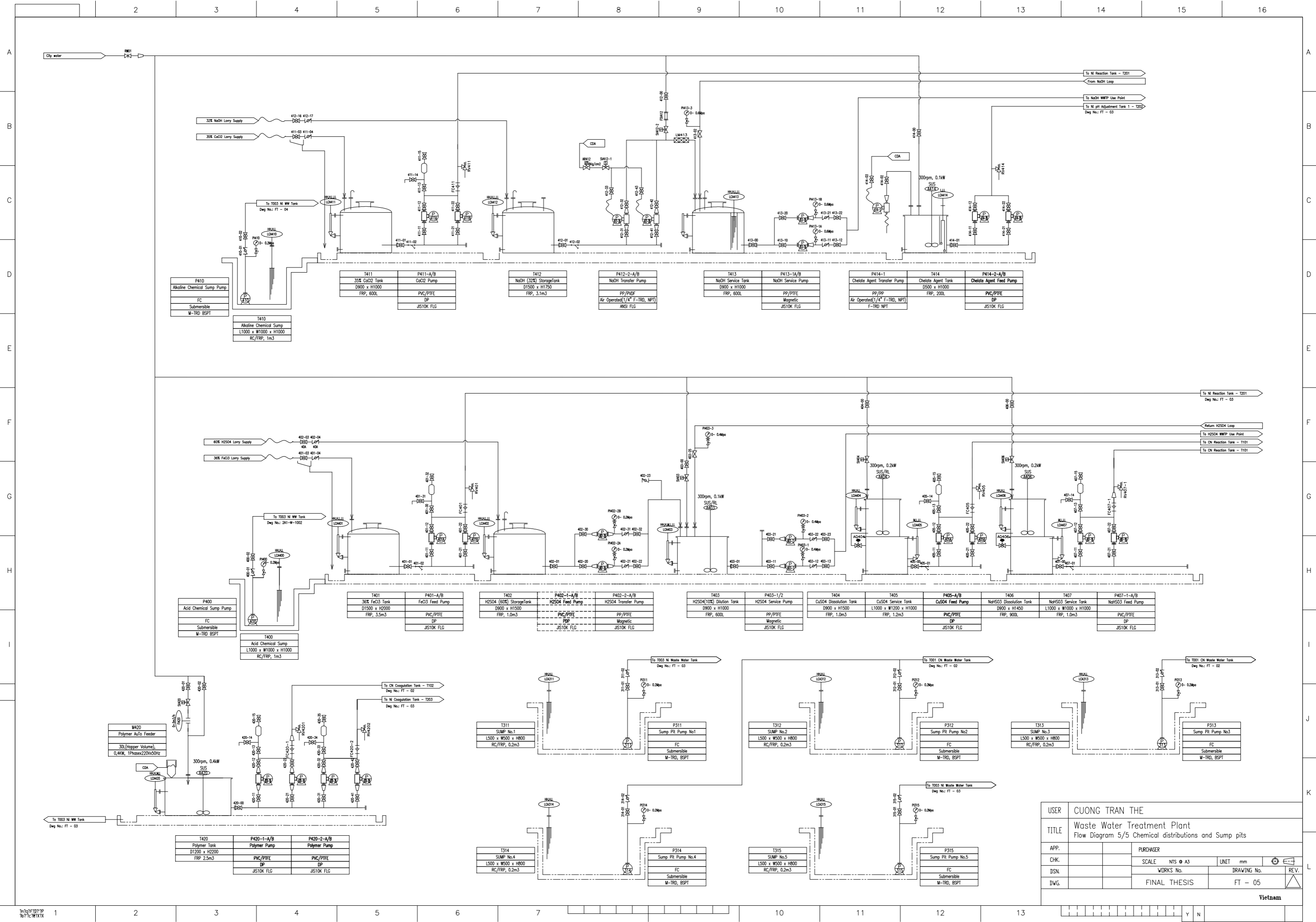
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