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## **From The Director**

Hope this newsletter finds everyone safe and healthy out there. What a crazy few months it has been. We have been notified Indian River College has cancelled the Fall Short School for our association as the college will not be open by the scheduled dates. Everyone who has already registered will be receiving refunds. Summer is upon us so everyone take care in the heat. Stay hydrated.

Our **State Website** has the following links for those interested:

- o Incident Action Checklist Pandemic Incidents, Wastewater Tests Could Provide Early Warning
- o The Water Professional's Guide to COVID-19
- o Letter to U.S. Governors from the EPA
- o COVID-19 Implications for EPA's Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Program
- o OSHA Control and Prevention
- o Drinking Water, Recreational Water and Wastewater: What You Need to Know
- o Guidance for Wastewater Workers

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- o Coronavirus And The Water Cycle Here Is What Treatment Professionals Need To Know
- FW&PCOA Online Training -CEU's

Scroll through Region XIT's webpage too, and if you have a webpage you would like to share with us all send an Email to our webpagemaster for consideration. Thanks to all the returning Sponsors for 2020: Evoqua, Electro-Mechanical South, Water Quality Services, Wol-Coat, Edward Jones Investments and Trihedral. We also added some new sponsors this year: Oliver Law, USA Bluebook and Odyssey Manufacturing. We thank everyone for supporting Region XII, and say goodbye to a true friend of our association Mr John M Wolfe.

Everyone stay safe out there.

Steve

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### In Memoriam



Our friend may he rest in peace

John McRae Wolfe (76) of Tampa passed away peacefully April 26, 2020. He was a lifelong resident of Tampa. John was preceded in death by his parents Arthur Charles Wolfe and Elizabeth McRae Wolfe, and his grandmother Maude McRae. He was the beloved husband of Pat Rosendahl Wolfe for 47 years; and father of John McRae II, Brian (Katy); his three adored grandchildren, Maggie, Emmy, and James. He leaves behind his brother Lester (Vicki); brothers-in-law Melvin (Madonna) Geithmann and Joe (Roxanne) Geithmann; and many favorite nieces and nephews. All the family and friends knew that Uncle John or Mr. Wolfe or Papa was good for a ride to the ice cream or the slurpee store. And of course they were not to tell the "Boss" (Pat) that they were getting a treat. He was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church for the past 50 years where he taught Sunday school, was Sr. Warden on the Vestry, and served where needed. In 2004, he became an Ordained Deacon in the Episcopal Church and served at St Mary's Episcopal Church until he retired from service. He was and still known affectionately as Deacon Wolfe by students, parents, and friends. He attended Gorrie Elementary, Wilson Jr High, H.B. Plant High '61, and graduated from University of Tampa with a BS in Economics and on a full music scholarship. He later received his M.B.A. from the University of South Florida where he met his poopsie Pat. John loved tuba playing in the German Band at HB Plant, All State, and was first chair at UT being a proud member of the Music Society Kappa Kappa Psi. He greatly enjoyed Friday morning Cuban espresso in West Tampa with his former band members and also at a Friday lunch group at the American Legion 138. John smiled and joked with friends at breakfast, lunch, or ice cream, especially at the former The Old Meeting House. Another favorite activity was early morning gym workouts with his exercise group. John was very active in organizations and was a member or served on several boards over the years, among them, the Sword and Shield at UT, Berkeley, Faith Café, Tampa East Sertoma Club, Board of Fellows and Trustees at UT; Economic Club of Tampa; Davis Island Civic Association, Tampa Sister Cities, and F.W.&P.C.O.A. Region XII. He was also a member of Leadership Tampa, Tampa Yacht & Country Club, Ye Mystic Krewe of Gasparilla, and the University Club. During his business career, he started several businesses within the construction and building industry. His last firm was a manufacturers' rep for the SE, and he was well thought of for his network and knowledge of industrial and commercial paint coatings, pavers, and terrazzo flooring. Many customers became lifelong friends. John loved elephants and thus named his business Pachyderm. We will never forget him either. A private family memorial service will be held. A celebration of his life will be held during the summer yet to be determined. Memorial gifts should be sent to St. Andrew's Foundation, 509 E. Twiggs St, 33602 or University of Tampa Athletics Sword & Shield Club, 401 W Kennedy, 33606-1490. Many thanks to the staff at Bayshore Pointe for their compassionate care these last few months.

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## ALKAGEN® AQ SOLUTION PROVIDES POINT SOURCE ODOR AND CORROSION CONTROL IN FLORIDA

Experiencing severe wet-well corrosion and odor complaints at a prominent lift station, a municipality in South Florida turned to Evoqua to provide an effective solution.

Evoqua Water Technologies LLC was contacted by a South Florida Municipality to provide an odor control solution for a lift station within their collection system. In the past, the municipality had implemented biofiltration for control of atmospheric hydrogen sulfide. However, in recent years the biofilter was removed, leaving the lift station untreated and exposed to high sulfide concentrations. As a result, the lift station was subjected to a substantial degree of corrosion as well as odor complaints from the surrounding neighborhood.

The lift station handled an average daily wastewater flow of 0.5 MGD. Liquid sampling at the site showed an average hydrogen sulfide concentration of 6 mg/L. Atmospheric hydrogen sulfide data revealed that the lift station was experiencing an average sulfide concentration of 187 ppm, with peaks up to 324 ppm.

#### **ALKAGEN® AQ SOLUTION - PH SHIFT TECHNOLOGY**

Due to the high sulfide concentrations and resulting corrosion issues, Evoqua determined a liquid phase technology was necessary to effectively reduce hydrogen sulfide concentrations. Point source application was also an important factor in selecting the right technology for a fast-acting solution.

Alkagen® AQ Solution, which uses a pH shift technology, was recommended as the optimal solution for providing point source sulfide reduction within the lift station. As pH increases, hydrogen sulfide will shift into a non-volatile form that is unable to escape into the vapor phase. For typical wastewater (pH ~7.0), nearly 50% of hydrogen sulfide exists in this non-volatile form. However, at a pH of 8.5, more than 97% of the sulfide will be trapped in solution. Alkagen AQ Solution increases wastewater pH as needed to effectively trap hydrogen sulfide in solution and prevent escape into the vapor phase.

Alkagen AQ Solution is fast-acting and rapidly dissolves in wastewater, providing an almost instantaneous effect at the application point. This contrasts to magnesium hydroxide, which has to be added upstream to allow time for dissolution, sometimes requiring multiple feed sites.



Alkagen AQ Solution provides fast-acting sulfide control

#### ADVANCED DOSING AND REMOTE MONITORING -VERSADOSE® CONTROLLER AND VAPORLINK® MONITOR

With the Alkagen AQ system, a VersaDose<sup>®</sup> Dose-to-Demand advanced controller was used to carefully regulate the metering of chemicals by programming daily dose curves to match sewage flow rates within the system. By using the VersaDose Controller, Evoqua was able to maintain the desired pH set by the treatment objectives and prevent over-feeding and wasteful spending by the municipality.

Additionally, Evoqua deployed a VaporLink® remote monitoring device to continuously monitor sulfide concentrations within the wet-well. This capability allowed remote access to site specific data from any location with an internet connection. The VaporLink monitor and VersaDose controller were made accessible through Link2Site® Web Monitoring and Control system for real-time visibility and control. These technologies allowed for quick and efficient remote optimization of dosing to effectively reduce hydrogen sulfide.

#### **RAPID AND EFFECTIVE SULFIDE CONTROL**

Evoqua fed Alkagen<sup>®</sup> AQ Solution directly into the influent manhole to provide instantaneous odor control within the wet-well. The municipality established treatment objectives of  $\leq$  50.0 ppm atmospheric sulfide and 8.5 wastewater pH.

Following installation and start-up, Evoqua optimized the Alkagen AQ feed system to meet the treatment objectives. The final adjusted feed rate was approximately 77 GPD. At this feed rate, hydrogen sulfide levels within the wet-well averaged 48.9 ppm while wastewater pH was maintained to an average of 8.45.

In order to demonstrate the effectiveness and rapid response of Alkagen AQ Solution, the feed system was temporarily shut off for 24 hours as seen in the chart below. Upon shutting off the system, hydrogen sulfide almost immediately returned to the untreated levels previously measured. Once the system was restarted, hydrogen sulfide concentrations promptly returned to the desired treatment levels.

With the treatment objectives being met, and the provided technology thoroughly proven, the municipality was confident in their decision to use Alkagen AQ Solution for odor and corrosion control at the lift station.

ATMOSPHERIC HYDROGEN SULFIDE LEVELS WITH FEED RATE

#### 350 H<sub>3</sub>S Level (ppm) / Feed Rate (mL/min) H<sub>2</sub>S Level (ppm) Feed rate (mL/min) 300 250 200 150 100 50 0 3/13/16 3/12/16 3/11/16 3/9/16 3/10/16

When the Alkagen AQ feed system was temporarily shut off, hydrogen sulfide levels spiked, demonstrating the effectiveness of the solution.

#### **INDUSTRY:**

Municipal Wastewater

#### **BUSINESS CHALLENGE:**

Effectively control hydrogen sulfide to eliminate odor complaints and reduce corrosion

#### SOLUTIONS/SERVICES:

- Alkagen AQ Solution
- VersaDose Dosing Controller
- VaporLink Hydrogen Sulfide Monitor
- Link2Site Web Monitoring and Control

#### **ALKAGEN® SOLUTION ADVANTAGES:**

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