

## **VORTECH®** BY THE NUMBERS

## **TESTING**

RESULTS OF A 16X65 VORTECH VESSEL CARBON **SYSTEM** 

### BACKWASH

Vortech Carbon's "Sweet Spot" for backwash 5.76 gpm/ft2

Standard specification is 8 to 10 gpm

Volume savings and fluidization time with full expansion of bed in less than 2 minutes

Vortech backwashes for 7 to 8 minutes (compared to typical carbon filters of 14 minutes or more)

# **COMPARISONS**

### **VORTECH VERSUS** STANDARD DISTRIBUTORS

The System	
Full Plate Distributor Tank	Standard Tank
One cubic foot of 10 percent resin	One cubic foot of 10 percent resin
The Results	
Full Plate Distributor Tank	Standard Tank
Bed expansion in backwash 10.5 inches of lift	Bed expansion in backwash 5 inches of lift
Time to lift bed to full expansion at 2.0 gpm = 2.0 min.	Time to lift bed to full expansion at 2.0 gpm = 4.25 min.
Four min. backwash time = 8.0 gal.	Eight min. backwash time = 16.0 gal.
Fast rinse reduced from six to two min. at 2.0 = 4.0 gal.	Fast rinse had to stay at six min. at 2.0 = 12.0 gal.



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VORTECH THIRD-PARTY VALIDATION AND TESTING **RESULTS** 

**WQA/NSF 44 COMPARISON TESTING OF** A 1 CUBIC FOOT SOFTNER

### CAPACITY TEST @ 4.5 POUNDS OF SALT

Cone and gravel = 3472 grains Vortech = 4333 grains Increase of 25%

#### **GALLONS TO DRAIN**

Cone and gravel = 53.7Vortech = 31Decrease of 42%

### PRESSURES/DELTA P

Full Plate Distributor Tank

Cone and gravel = 13.4 gpm @ 15psig Delta P Vortech = 13.4 gpm @ 9.8psig Delta P Vortech @ 15psig Delta P, Flow rate is 17.8 gpm Equals a 33% increase in flow rate

Water used during backwash and fast rinse = 12.0 gal.	Water used during backwash and fast rinse = 28.0 gal.		
Water used to fill brine tank = 3.0 gal.	Water used to fill brine tank = 3.0 gal.		
Water used in slow rinse = 27.0 gal.	Water used in slow rinse = 27.0 gal.		
Total water used for complete cycle = 42.0 gal.	Total water used for complete cycle = 58.0 gal.		
Flow rate at 10.7 psi drop = 12.7 gpm	Flow rate at 10.7 psi drop = 11.6 gpm		
Example of usage for family of four on 20-grain hard water			
60 gal. per person per day x four = 240.0 gal. of water per day			
240.0 x 20.0 grains of hardness = 4,800 grains of hardness removed per day 4,800 grains removed ~ capacity of 28,200 grains capacity = 5.88 days between regenerations			
			5.88 ~ 30 days per month = 5.10 regenerations per month

Standard Tank

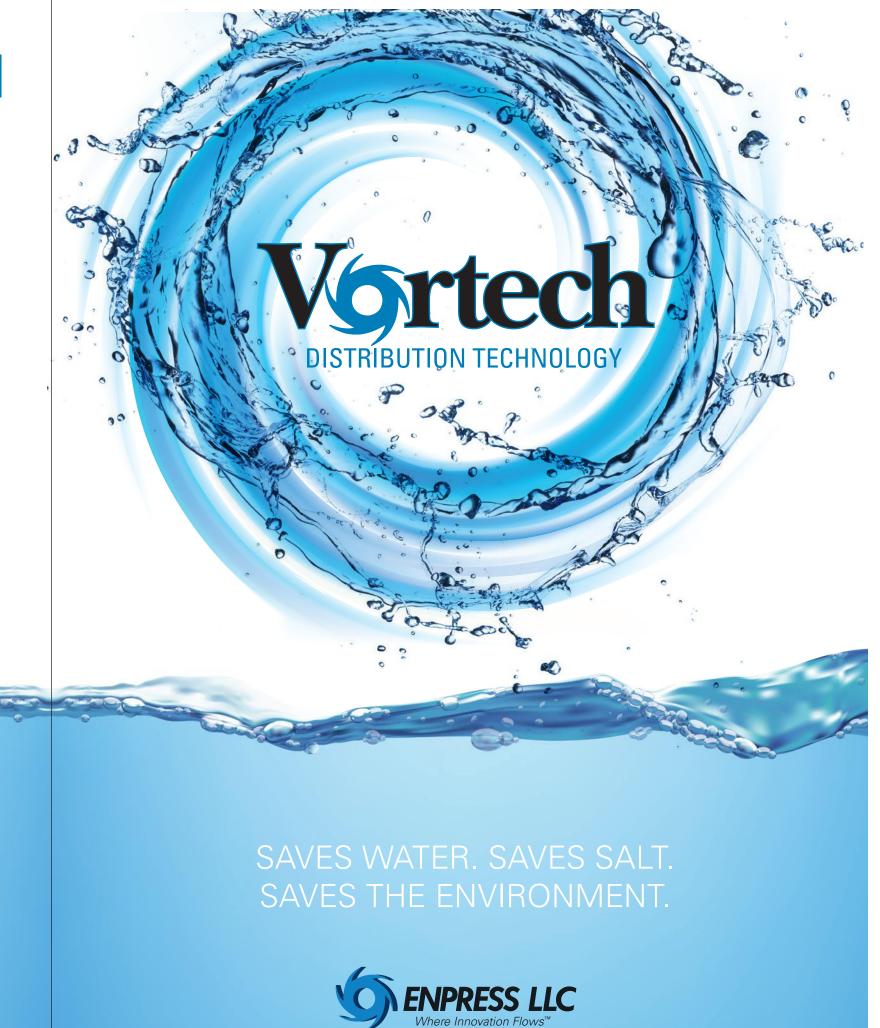
5.10 per month x 10.0 lbs of salt (medium setting) = 51.0 lbs of salt used O regenerations x 42.0 gal. used = 214 gal. used per month down the drain

214.0 gal. per month = 7.13 gal. per day savings, equivalent to each person in the

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