

***PRIME SOLUTION
ROTARY FAN
PRESS® PILOT
TESTING REPORT
FOR SLUDGE
DEWATERING***

Carlsbad WWTP, Carlsbad, NM



Testing Date(s): September 20th, 2017



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Key Information:

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Testing Date(s):	September 20 th , 2017
Prime Solution Pilot Equipment:	RFP2.0-24S Rotary Fan Press 2.0
Application Type:	Municipal
Sludge Type:	Activated Secondary
Process Type:	Aerobic Digester
Sludge Age:	~60 Days
Feed Solids Ranged:	2.21% – 2.24% TS
Volatile Solids Ranged:	63.4% – 65.1% TVS
Maximum Dry Cake Solids:	21.3% TS
Averaged Dry Cake Solids:	20.7% TS
Averaged Capture Rate:	99.3% TSS
Averaged Active Polymer Usage:	16.95 lbs/dry ton
Averaged Press Energy Usage:	0.40 kW
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Pilot Summary:

On-site pilot testing was performed by Prime Solution, Inc. on September 20th, 2017 for the Carlsbad WWTP in Carlsbad, NM. The purpose of the pilot test was to determine the dewaterability of the Municipal Activated Secondary Aerobic Digested Sludge that is produced at the Plant. The results listed in this report confirm that the Rotary Fan Press 2.0 can effectively dewater the sludge produced at the Plant.

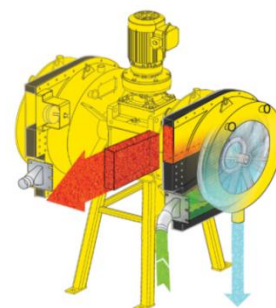
The Rotary Fan Press operated consistently over the one (1) day trial period with a total number of eight (8) samples pulled at various sludge flow rates. All the samples were collected and tested by Prime Solution. The maximum cake solids achieved was 21.3% TS during the testing period with excellent capture rates averaging 99.3% TSS.

Piloting Equipment Description:

The mobile pilot unit that was used for the testing is a full-scale Prime Rotary Fan Press® Model #RFP2.0-24S including all of the necessary equipment to condition the sludge/slurry, pump the filtrate back to the plant and transfer the dewatered cake solids for disposal.

➤ RFP2.0-24S Rotary Fan Press (2.0)	➤ In-Line Grinder
➤ PrimeBlend Emulsion Polymer System	➤ Flocculator Assembly
➤ Rotary Lobe Sludge Feed Pump	➤ Folding Sludge Cake Conveyor
➤ Wash Water Booster Pump	➤ Central Operator Control Panel
➤ Filtrate Pump w/ Float Control	➤ Chemical Feed System

The Prime Rotary Fan Press® operates using the low differential pressure between the incoming conditioned sludge and the outgoing sludge cake combined with the very slow (<1 rpm) rotational motion of the two (2) filter screens to advance the sludge through the press. As the conditioned sludge enters the annular space between the filter screens a pressure differential develops within the press where the liquid portion of the conditioned sludge seeks to the path of least resistance through the filter screens. The remaining solids are collected inside the annular space between the filter screens which advance towards the discharge end of the press. At the discharge end of the press, an adjustable restrictor gate arm slows down the advancing solids forming a “cake” plug. As the plug builds within the restriction discharge area, it pushes towards the inside walls of the filter screens and the slow rotation/friction of the filter screens continuously moves the cake solids past the restrictor gate arm to be discharged for disposal or further processing. Operation of the Prime Rotary Fan Press® can either be continuous or intermittent depending on your application. Clean-up is a simple push of a button which will automatically run the wash cycle.



Pilot Testing Results:

The Rotary Fan Press was on-site at Carlsbad WWTP for one day (September 20th, 2017) and operated at varying flow rates, polymer types and polymer dosages. Day one, September 20th, was used as set up, then that day several samples were taken of the sludge cake/filtrate and sent to Prime Solution Inc for analysis. Using different polymers at different concentrations showed varying results, which was noted on the last day the mixing energy used to blend the polymer with the sludge had an equal effect on the cake solid dryness.

Results Overview:

Sludge flow ranged 1.11 – 1.78 gpm/ft², Averaged Feed solids were 2.23% TS, Solids loading ranged 12.28 – 19.93 lbs/hr/ft², Averaged cake solids were 20.7% TS, Capture rates averaged 99.3% TSS, Averaged press energy was 0.40 kW for the testing period.

Polymer Consumption:

Drawing the sludge into the Rotary Fan Press system and at the suction side of the pump, the diluted/blended polymer was added to the incoming sludge where it was mixed in-line to form a stable floc before entering the dewatering channel(s) of

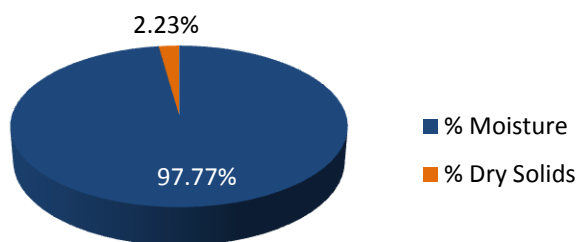
the Rotary Fan Press. The averaged polymer dosage for the pilot testing was 16.95 active lbs/dry ton.

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Date and time of sample collection, Rotary Fan Press operating parameters: press speed %, energy usage (press kW), inlet and gate pressures, polymer results, sludge processing flow (gpm/ft²), feed solid concentration (% TS), solids loading (lbs/hr/ft²), cake solids (%TS) and capture rate (mg/L & %TSS).

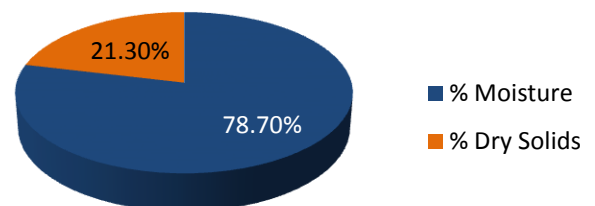
Averaged Feed Solids

% Moisture vs. % Dry Solids



Maximum Cake Solids

% Moisture vs. % Dry Solids



Pilot Testing Results Continued:



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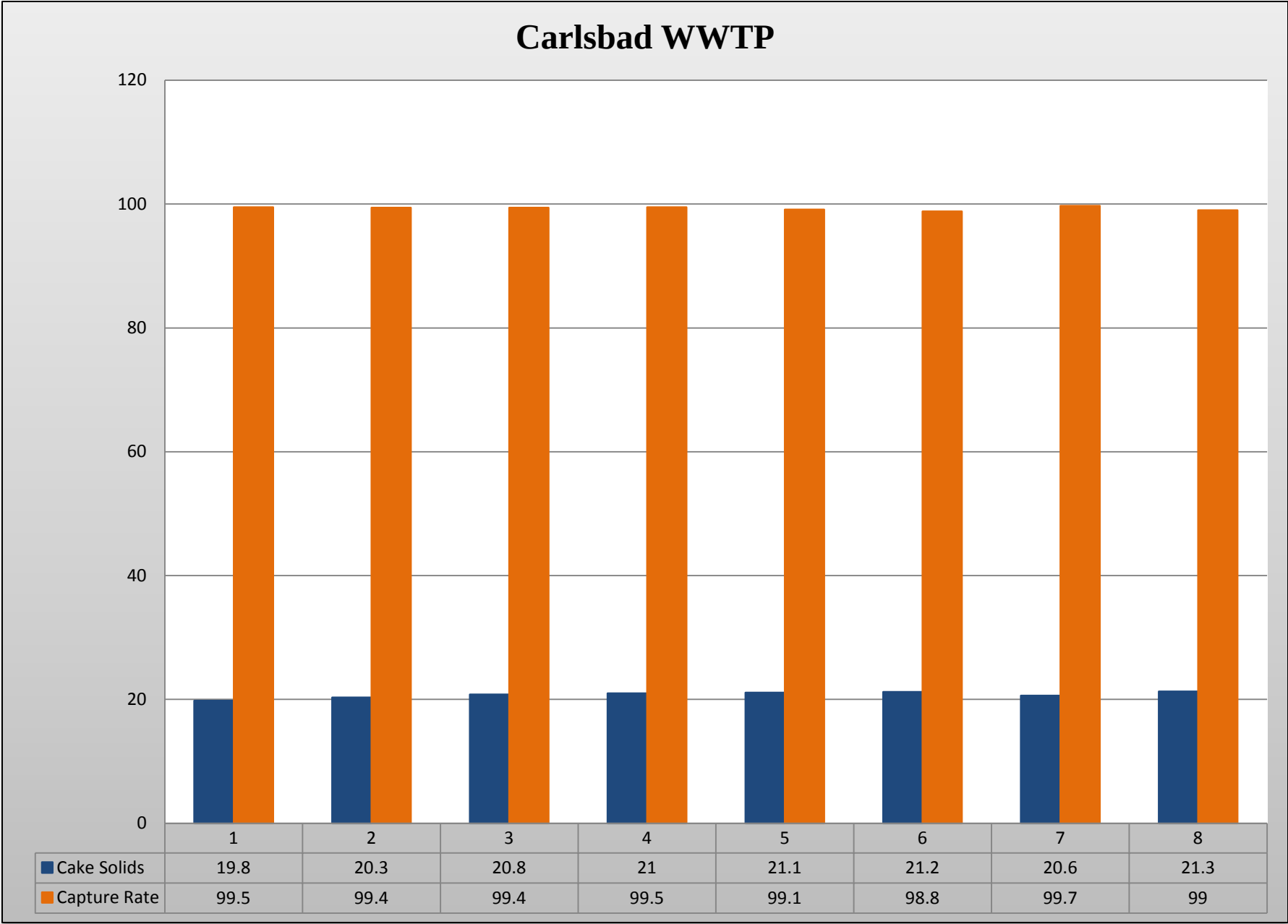
Sludge Type: Activated Secondary

Process: Aerobic Digestion

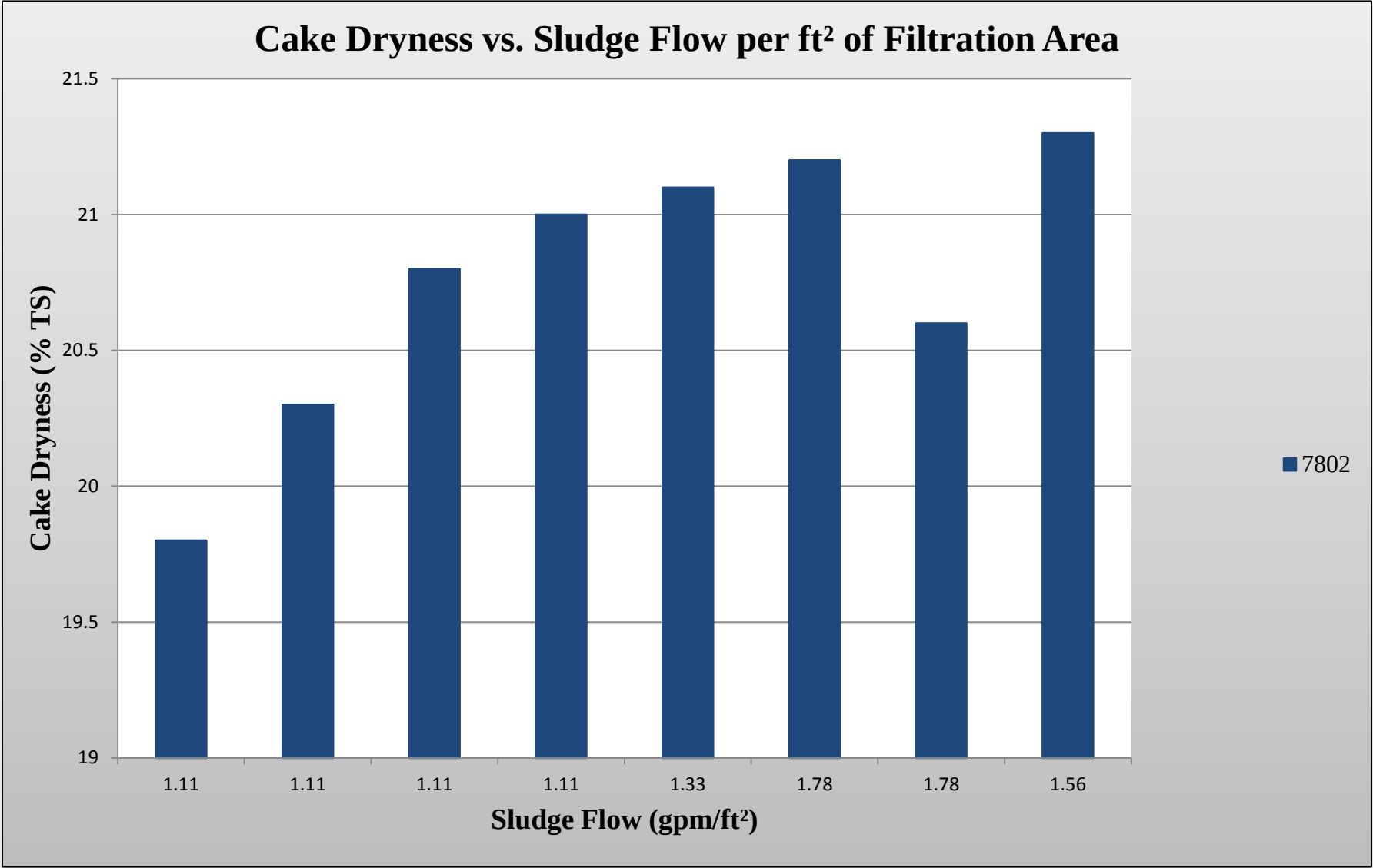
Base Model Pilot Equipment: RFP2.0-24S – Rotary Fan Press (2.0)

Sampling			Rotary Fan Press						Polymer						Results					
Run #	Date	Time	Model Type	Filt. Area	Press Speed	Press Energy	Inlet PSI	Gate PSI	Type	Neat Flow	Dil. Water	Conc. %	Act. %	Active lbs/d.t.	Sludge Flow	Feed Solids	Solids Loading	Cake Solids	Capture Rate	
				ft²	%	kW				gph	gpm				gpm/ft²	%TS	lbs/hr/ft²	%TS	mg/L	%TSS
1	9/20	12:05	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	30	0.40	2.76	7	7802	0.165	1	0.27	40	20.8	1.11	2.21	12.28	19.8	120	99.5
2	9/20	12:15	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	30	0.40	2.33	9	7802	0.138	1	0.23	40	17.4	1.11	2.21	12.28	20.3	136	99.4
3	9/20	12:20	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	30	0.40	2.33	9	7802	0.110	1	0.18	40	13.8	1.11	2.21	12.28	20.8	128	99.4
4	9/20	12:34	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	30	0.40	2.57	10	7802	0.110	1	0.18	40	13.8	1.11	2.21	12.28	21.0	114	99.5
5	9/20	12:51	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	30	0.40	3.03	11	7802	0.138	1	0.23	40	14.3	1.33	2.24	14.96	21.1	212	99.1
6	9/20	1:36	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	40	0.40	2.95	12	7802	0.248	1	0.41	40	19.2	1.78	2.24	19.93	21.2	258	98.8
7	9/20	1:45	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	40	0.40	2.57	13	7802	0.193	1	0.32	40	15.0	1.78	2.24	19.93	20.6	64	99.7
8	9/20	2:00	RFP2.0-24S	4.5	35	0.40	3.05	13	7802	0.207	1	0.34	40	18.4	1.56	2.24	17.44	21.3	224	99.0

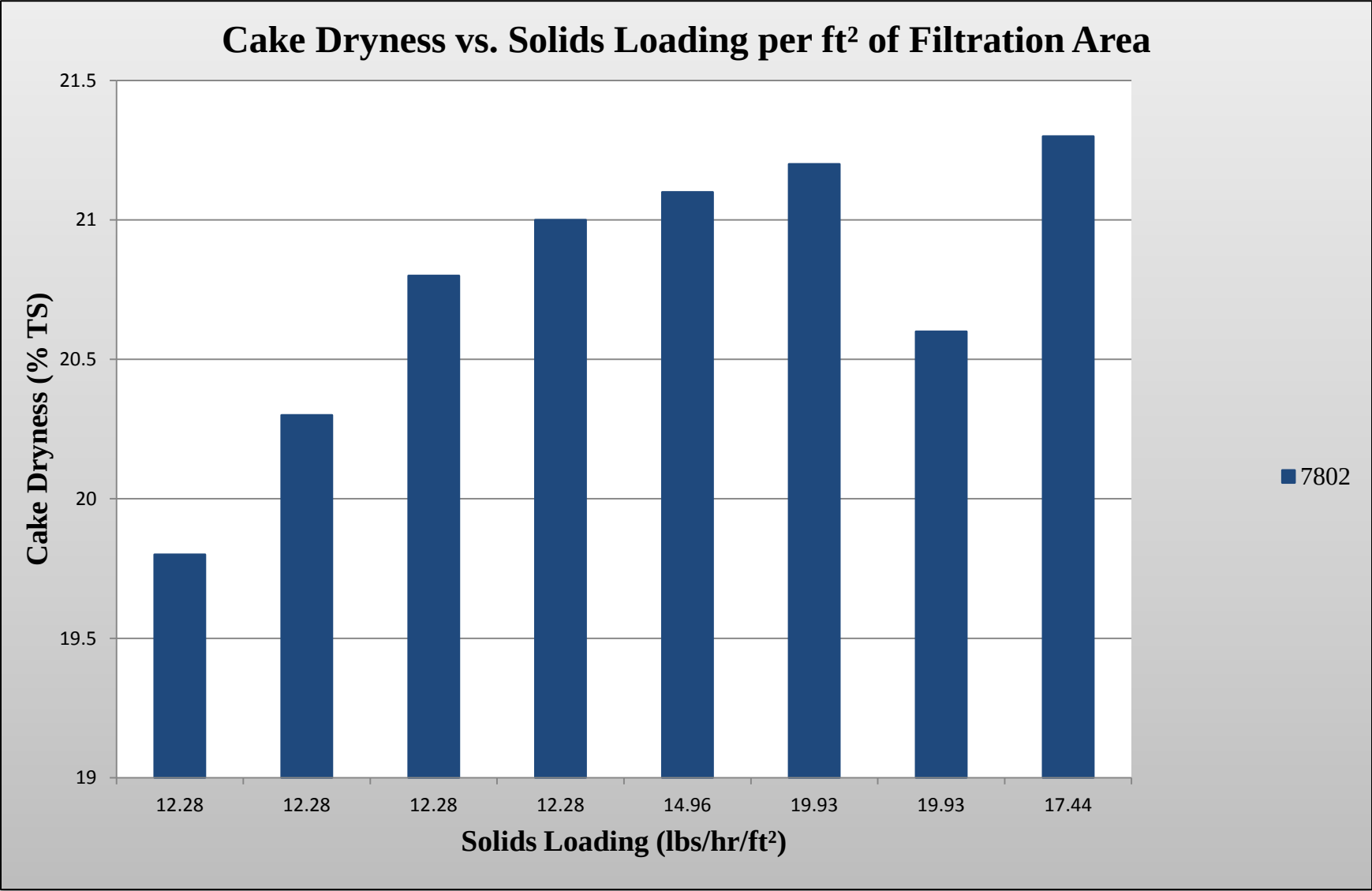
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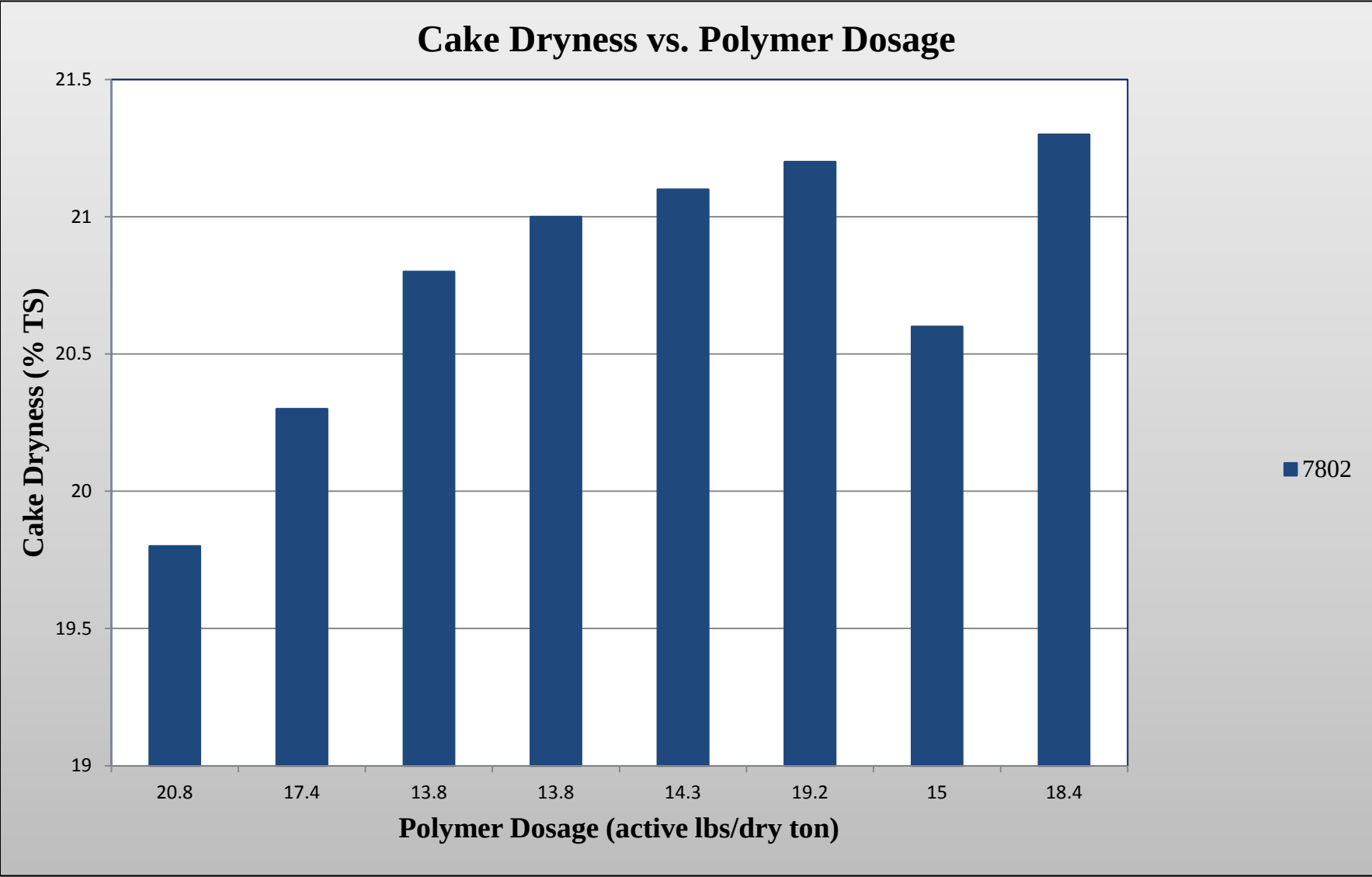
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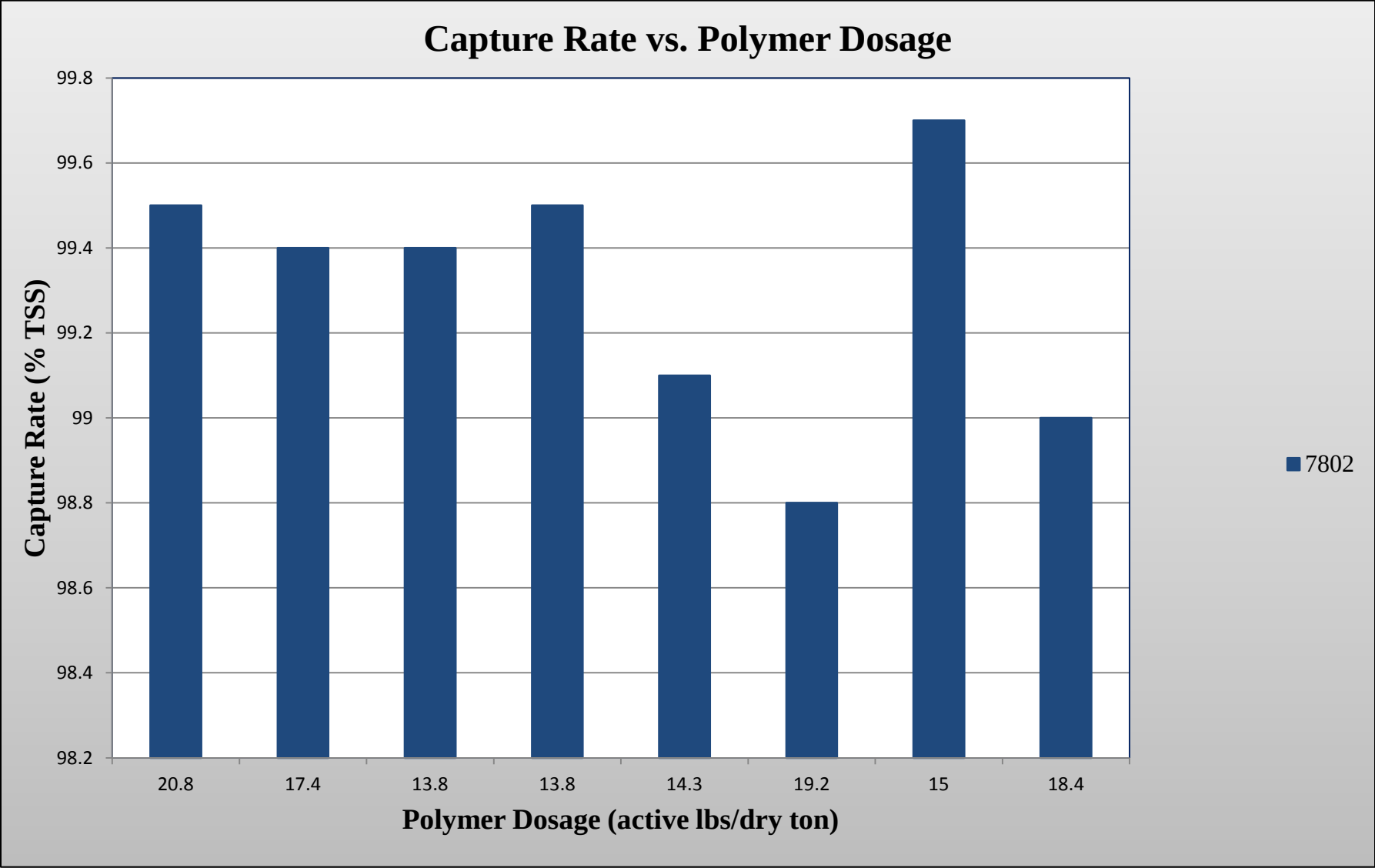
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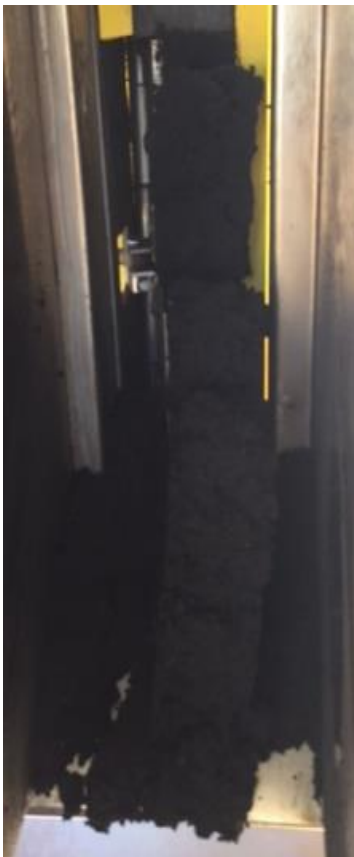
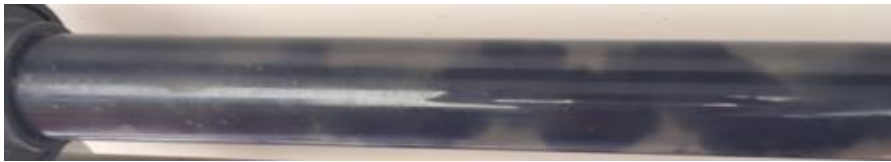
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On-Site Pictures:



Pilot Conclusion:

This demonstration successfully illustrated the simplicity, ease-of-use and semi-automatic operation of the Rotary Fan Press, along with its ability to consistently produce dry cake solids — while using low energy and wash water. The totally enclosed design of the Rotary Fan Press provided a clean and safe work environment that virtually eliminated odors and airborne contaminants. This environment promotes prolonged equipment and building life.

Along with ease-of-operation, low maintenance requirements were demonstrated and discussed with plant operators and engineers — as well as, the RFP's ease of installation into existing facilities. Due to its small footprint, it does not require special building modifications.

Prime Solution, Inc. and Falcon Environmental Corp. would like to express their gratitude to the Carlsbad WWTP in Carlsbad, NM, and everyone involved, for the opportunity and support that made this pilot possible. We look forward to providing equipment that will suit the needs of the Plant.

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