

Operation and Maintenance Manual Ultraviolet Disinfection System

**EC-** Series

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## LAMP CHANGE DATE TABLE

Date System Installed:\_\_\_\_\_

LAMP CHANGE DATE	COMMENTS

Use the table to track maintenance and lamp replacement dates

## 1 Important Information

The equipment, while sophisticated, has been designed for simple and easy operation. In keeping with this philosophy, this user manual has been written to simplify all steps in the procedures that follow.

The UV equipment will need to be maintained and will require replacement parts. We recommend that you only use Enchlor Inc. factory parts. Failure to use genuine parts may impact system performance and may void the warranty.

## 2 About Ultraviolet (UV) Disinfection

"The inactivation of microorganisms by ultraviolet radiation is a physical process, relying on the photochemical changes brought about when far-UV radiation is absorbed by the genetic material of the cell (deoxyribonucleic acid, or DNA). The wavelengths for optimum effectiveness correspond, as expected, to the maximum absorption spectrum for nucleic acids, between 250 and 265 nanometers (nm).<sup>1</sup>"

#### How it works

Wastewater enters the vessel (channel or chamber). Once inside, it is exposed to UV light. The UV lamp used for germicidal disinfection produces a portion of its light in the 254-nm wavelength. At this wavelength, UV light destroys bacteria, protozoa, viruses, molds, algae and other microbes. This includes fecal coliform and such waterborne diseases as: E-coli, hepatitis, cholera, dysentery, typhoid fever as well as many others.

The actual lamps are housed in quartz sleeves. These sleeves not only help maintain maximum operating temperature, but also prevent the lamps from coming in contact with the water.

While in the vessel, the wastewater is exposed to doses of UV energy. Simply put, UV dose = lamp intensity multiplied by residence time. It is usually represented in microwatt seconds per square centimeter (mWs/cm2). Time is calculated as the hydraulic residence time in the UV system. The intensity is a function of the lamp type, the arrangement of lamps, and the energy absorbing elements in the water that absorb or interfere with light before it reaches the targeted microorganism. The measurement of absorbing material is referred to as UV transmission (UVT). This is expressed as a %. Most plants average 65%.

Since the UV disinfection process does not add chemicals or change the physical or chemical properties of the effluent, the wastewater is ready for discharge when it leaves the system.

#### Advantages

There are many advantages to this type of disinfection: no need for toxic and expensive chemicals; fast treatment; low maintenance and simple and extremely low cost operation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EPA Ultraviolet Disinfection Technology Assessment EPA 832-R-92-004 September 1992.

#### Applications

While UV disinfection is well-suited for wastewater treatment, it is important to monitor the water quality and system performance.

One must look for situations that inhibit UV light from penetrating the water. Turbidity – the state of water when it is cloudy from having sediment stirred up – will interfere with the transmission of UV energy and decrease the disinfection efficiency. Total Suspended Solids (TSS) will also impact UV effectiveness. TSS numbers should be lower than 30 mg/liter.

In cases where the water has high iron or manganese content, is cloudy or has other organic or chemical impurities, it may be necessary to improve the pre-treatment process or increase the UV dosage. Once this has been addressed, UV disinfection will be effective in destroying microorganisms.

#### 3 **Pre-Installation General Information**

Your Ultraviolet (UV) wastewater disinfection system has been tested at Enchlor Inc.' manufacturing facility. In order to insure that the system works at optimum performance, please follow the instructions and recommendations outlined in this manual.

#### 3.1 !Warning!

UV light is extremely harmful to eyes and skin. Do not look directly at the light or expose your skin for any prolonged time. Use protective clothing and eyewear (UV resistant) when servicing equipment. Always disconnect power to your unit or module before servicing.

If accidentally exposed to UV light for an extended period, immediately seek medical attention.

When handling lamps and quartz use gloves to prevent them from becoming dirty. If they do, wipe them with denatured alcohol. Oils, dirt and scratches will block UV light.

When installing the quartz sleeves and O-rings, be careful not to crack the quartz. The broken glass-like material is sharp and can cause serious injuries. In addition, do not use tools to tighten the compression nuts – only hand-tighten.

#### 3.2 UV Effectiveness

Your disinfection system needs to be maintained. We recommend that you change the lamp yearly (9,000 - 12,000 hours), O-rings when brittle (or every lamp change) and change the quartz every three to five years.

We also recommend a quartz-cleaning schedule to maintain system effectiveness. Operators can use cleaning agents such as Lime Away or a citric acid to remove build-up on the quartz sleeve.

Fouled or scratched quartz sleeves will lead to higher fecal counts.

Failure to do periodic maintenance will impact your unit's effectiveness.

### 3.3 System Design

Your UV system has been designed based on certain information regarding plant-operating conditions. All changes in plant conditions will impact the UV system.

Since plant operating conditions are subject to change, please insure that all significant changes to flow rates (minimum, average and maximum), transmission or total suspended solids are brought to your representative's or Enchlor's attention.

#### 3.4 Flow Rate

Your unit has been designed to accommodate a certain flow rate. Increases to flow will impact the UV dosing.

#### 3.5 Electrical Requirements

The electronics have been designed to work with a variety of power supplies. Since the unit is susceptible to power fluctuations, we recommend that the system be kept off any lines where there are surges. This includes pumps or motors. If there are fluctuations, please use a surge suppressor.

All ballasts will be labeled indicating the required power. Unlike pumps or motors, your UV disinfection system is sensitive to spikes.

#### 3.6 Inspection

Insure that lamps and quartz have not been broken. It is recommended that you use gloves when handling lamps and quartz sleeves to prevent them from becoming dirty.

A warranty sheet has been included. Please fill out the warranty and send back to manufacturer or dealer. This warrantees the chamber for 5-years and electrical components for 1-year. It also provides a mechanism to allow your dealer to remind you when it is time for lamp replacement.

#### 3.7 Disposal

The UV lamps contain mercury. Please follow your local EPA guidelines for disposal protocol.

#### 4 System Components

You will have received the following:

- a) UV module support structures (two available types)
  - 1. Stainless steel channel. A packaged channel may have been sent. It will have connections in the form of a "U" bolt pattern, flange or a pipe. The channel may have been sent with transition boxes to help make the connection. The stainless steel channel may have also been supplied with a fixed serpentine weir that will be located at the discharge end of the channel.

- 2. Modular Support System (MSS). This is used when a stainless steel channel is not required because of an existing structure or newly poured concrete. If this is provided, it will come with all hardware (except concrete anchorages).
- b) Stainless steel disinfection modules completely wired and provided with compression fittings, O-rings, lamp holders and watertight cabling.
- c) Power Control Center (PCC)
- d) Ultraviolet lamps
- e) Quartz sleeves
- f) UV sensor probe with monitor (optional)
- g) System Monitoring Center PLC (optional)
- h) Level control (optional)
- i) Optional equipment
- j) Spare parts (optional)
- k) Safety and cleaning supplies (optional)
- I) Warranty information

## 5 Stainless Steel Channel or Modular Support System

You will have received a stainless steel channel or modular support system. This should be installed according to the engineering specifications and associated drawings.

The stainless steel channel will have been shipped ready to be installed.

The Modular Support System (MSS) will need to be bolted into place using stainless steel anchorages as shown in the following drawings:



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#### 5.1 Weir

Your system may have come with a fixed serpentine weir, a standalone serpentine weir or a more sophisticated automatic level control (ALC) system. These devices are meant to keep the ultraviolet lamps submerged to insure optimum operating temperatures and maximum disinfection. The weir is designed to keep the lamps submerged during no, low, average and peak flows.

If your unit came with a fixed weir, you do not have to worry about any installation. If your unit came with a standalone weir, it should be installed no less than 2.5' from the end of the last bank of UV lamps.

If your channel came with another type of ALC, then the installation directions and O&M manual will be attached.

## 5.2 Lamp Modules

The lamp modules will have come completely wired and ready to be installed. You will need to: install the lamps and quartz sleeves as well as to connect the module to the Power Control Center.

The lamp module is constructed from stainless steel and comes with a UL approved cable that connects to the Power Center. The lamp module will come with lamp holders that are prewired.

The lamp holder bolts directly to the effluent module's legs. It is an independent component that comes with a wire harness, socket, compression nut and O-ring. The lamp holder is designed to isolate damage in the event that a sleeve breaks or if some other event causes water infiltration.



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To connect or remove the module cable to the Power Center, simply plug the cable into the receptacle and hand tighten the retaining collar.





## MODULE REMOVED FROM CHANNEL

## 5.3 Lamps and Quartz Sleeves Inspection and Installation

Insure that lamps and quartz have not been broken. We recommend that you use gloves when handling lamps and quartz sleeves to prevent them from becoming dirty. If lamps or quartz have broken, take extra care to prevent yourself from becoming injured.

Take the module and place it on a clean work surface.

You will need to install a lamp and quartz sleeve into each lamp holder. There are 2 ways to accomplish this task.

1. Loosen the compression nut, but do not remove it from the lamp holder nipple. Check to see if the O-ring is inside. Once loosened, take the lamp and slide the end into the quartz sleeve. Make sure that the 4-pin connection remains outside.

Moisten the domed end (closed end) of the quartz sleeve as well as the rubber grommet in the quartz holder with water. Slide the dome end through the quartz holder grommet.

Connect the lamp to the socket. Push the open end of the quartz sleeve into the compression nut. Gently push in, feel the sleeve stop and then withdraw the sleeve 1/8". You need to leave some room because when you tighten the nut, it will push the quartz further in. Hand-tighten the compression nut. Once you have hand tightened the nut, gently pull the quartz sleeve to see if it disengages from the nut. If it does not, then you have a secure fit.

OR

2. Completely remove the compression nut and O-ring. Slide compression nut and oring over the open end of the quartz. Take the lamp and slide the end into the quartz sleeve and follow directions above.

### 5.4 Quartz Sleeve Maintenance

In order to insure proper disinfection, the quartz sleeves need to be maintained. Since the lamps produce heat and since the effluent has solids, the quartz sleeves can become fouled. This necessitates a cleaning regime that will be determined by plant operating conditions.

There are three methods for cleaning the quartz sleeves.

## 5.4.1 Manual Cleaning

Plant operators can remove a module and clean by hand. A mild citric acid or a lime removal product and a ScotchBrite pad should be used to hand-clean the sleeves. If this is the method of choice, a cleaning rack can be provided. This can be a wall mounted or free standing stainless steel support.

## 5.4.2 Automated Cleaning – Optional Equipment

Plant operators can remove the module and place it in a stainless steel tank for cleaning. The tank would hold a mild citric acid that would be agitated by a pump. The tanks come with wheels, a pump and a drain. In cases where this is the preferred method, an additional spare module should be kept on site to replace the removed module to insure continual disinfection.

## 5.4.3 Automatic Cleaning – Optional Equipment

To automate the cleaning process, an air driven cleaning system can be incorporated. Note that in many cases a system may not be upgradeable. The system would operate using plant compressed air or via a dedicated air compressor. An air-driven piston will push the quartz wiping system over the arc length of the UV lamp. The cleaning system is comprised of a stainless steel fitting, housing an EPDM ring. The "quick-stroke" squeegee approach prevents build-up and also prevents dragging of material over the sleeve.

The horizontal channel system has come equipped with an automatic quartz cleaning system. The system can be set to clean on a periodic basis (field adjustable). The timing mechanism is located in the main Power Control Center. Individual solenoid valves are located in the junction box on the end of each module.

An air hose has been incorporated into the underside of the module.

The plant will have to run air from the compressor to the air distribution piping (PLENUM). From this pipe, individual lines will be run to the back of each module. Each module has two (interchangeable) ports to receive the tubing. Insert the tubing into either quick connect and leave one open as an exhaust.

#### 5.4.4 Removal of Module for Cleaning

- a) Disconnect power to the module that will be cleaned. To do this, disconnect power to the Power Control Center. Remove the yellow cable from the receptacle by unscrewing cap and pulling the cord from the connection.
- b) Use safety glasses or a face shield that is UV resistant. Even though you are removing one module, the system can still operate and UV light may come from the channel.
- c) Remove the module from the channel.
- d) Install spare module or leave empty and then power system On.
- e) Use a solution like Lime Away or a citric acid with a ScotchBrite pad. Brush quartz until all sediment is removed. You may want to use a cleaning rack or a washing tank to perform this duty. If your unit did not come with a rack or tank, you can order one. This device can be made to your exact specifications.
- f) After cleaning, check compression nuts to make sure that the sleeves were not loosened during cleaning.

Lamps need to be changed on a yearly basis or if they become ineffective. Even though a lamp is still glowing after a year, it will have lost efficiency and will still need to be replaced. Lamps can glow for up to three years or more and be completely ineffective.

## 6 Power Control Center (PCC)

The plant electrician will need to bring protected power to the PCC. Your UV system has been designed to work on a constant power supply. The electronic ballasts are susceptible to power fluctuations. Low voltage will cause ballast failures. The ballasts have been labeled with the voltage and cycle. It is imperative that the appropriate voltage range is maintained. If you have guestions, call factory. Failure to provide adequate power will void the warranty.

This configuration incorporates a remote modified NEMA style enclosure with window kit. The enclosure will have been designed for indoor or outdoor use. If used in an outdoor environment, consult factory for recommendations. Enchlor Inc. recommends protecting the enclosure from high heat and extreme environmental conditions. If this information was not taken into consideration during the design phase, the PCC may need to be modified.



The PCC is generally provided with analog displays: Lamp on/off indicators (LEDs), running time meter and optional UV intensity meter. The PCC will have an On/Off or HOA switch. The PCC may optionally be provided with a front panel HMI (Human Machine Interface) when a PLC is used for automated controls and monitoring.

The PCC contains ballasts. The ballasts drive the UV lamps. In order to keep the ballasts running at optimum performance, it is necessary to cool the ballasts. As ballasts heat up, they become exponentially less efficient.

The PCC will come with a fan cooling system. Insure that the fans are operational and filters are cleaned

#### **PCC Displays**

#### 6.1.1 Lamp-out Indicators

The Power Centers display lamp status indicators (LEDs). The LED indictors show a green light when the lamp is on. This provides the operator with a quick overview of system status. As noted before, lamps can operate for years without producing any UV light. This is why it is essential to track lamp replacements.

If the LED goes off, then it may mean that a lamp is no longer functioning. However, it may indicate a problem with the LED, the lamp's corresponding ballast or a problem located within the lamp holder. SEE TROUBLE SHOOTING SECTION.

## 6.1.2 Running Time Meters

This non-resettable time meter will allow you to see how long the system or bank has been running. It will also be instrumental in establishing a cleaning schedule. As noted, lamps need to be replaced after 9,000 hours.

#### 6.1.3 Ultraviolet Monitor

After 100-hour burn-in, the UV display is procedurally set to Full-Scale (100%). This is done during nominal operating and water quality conditions. This UV reading is not NIST calibrated to absolute mW/cm2 intensity. It cannot be used directly in calculating dosages. It is simply a relative % of its nominal specified operating performance. Initial setup is obviously 100 % of nominal performance, since everything is brand new. Subsequently, any decline in UV Relative % Intensity is likely any combination of:

- a) fouling quartz sleeves
- b) fouling UV probe face
- c) lamp aging
- d) water quality (% UV Transmission)
- e) UV detector aging
- f) eroding electrical connections.

A low UV Relative % Intensity Threshold setting may optionally\* be used to activate a Common Alarm.

## 6.2 PCC Electrical

## 6.2.1 Over-Current and Ground Fault Protection

The system features Over-current protection via Circuit Breakers, as well as Ground Fault Protection via GFCI devices. These are housed in the PCC or PCE.

Circuit Breakers CBs are provided to protect a single channel Module or groups of channel Modules. Some systems are wired with multiple CBs, for example, so neighboring Modules remain operating if one CB trips. One CB handles Odd numbered Modules, while one CB protects Even numbered Modules. Your system will be clearly labeled inside. The state of the CBs may be optionally detected for an Alarm system.

A GFCI is provided, within the Power Center, and is dedicated for each individual channel Module. So a fault in any single Module does not effect the disinfection performance of any other Module. A GFCI trip may optionally\* be detected and fed to an Alarm system.

Testing the GFCI requires some understanding of the dynamics of the intelligent electronic ballasts cascaded with this device. After tripping, via "Test" button (or actual Ground Fault) wait 10 seconds to 2 minutes before pressing the "Reset" button. If the GFCI immediately trips, discontinue power to this section by turning the related Circuit Breaker Off for 2 minutes. This breaker may control power to other Modules. With power Off, "Reset" the tripped GFCI. Return power to the section by flipping the Circuit Breaker back On. See the appendix on TROUBLESHOOTING if problems persist.

The functions of Over-current and Ground Fault protection may be combined in a single device. These are wired for dedicated individual Module protection like the GFCI discussion above, when used.

## 6.2.2 Electronic Ballast

The Enchlor Inc. provided electronic ballast is specially designed for germicidal performance in challenging water treatment conditions. The ballast controls the start-up and maintenance of the conductive arc in the mercury vapor lamp under conditions of varying temperature.

The ballasts will need to be replaced if found defective. To replace the ballast, simply disconnect the wires, loosen holding screws and insert new ballast. Send defective ballast back to Enchlor Inc. for warranty work or out of warranty service.



## 7 Attachments

If your unit came with optional equipment, instructions will be attached to this manual. This includes informational material on the following:

UV Monitoring System Automatic Cleaning System Replacement Parts Wiring Diagrams

## 8 Troubleshooting UV Horizontal Channel System:

This guide provides information and recommendations on how to correct basic operational problems. When performing any of these tasks, be sure to wear protective clothing and eyewear. In addition, protect yourself from shock hazards.

Symptom:	Check:
Power Center	
UV lamp LED(s) Off	Power Off, wait, power On, observe LED(s). The "intelligent" ballasts will keep a lamp Off for various causes, in some cases this may be a false trip. If the LED(s) come On and then flicker Off, it means that the ballast is good and that the problem is past the ballast. If problem recurs, see "LED stays Off".
UV lamp LED(s) stays Off.	Power Off and remove yellow cable from Power Control Center receptacle. Remove cable from a known good module and connect known bad module into the receptacle. If the problem is fixed, then it is most likely bad ballast. If the problem follows, it is most likely associated with module. If suspected to be the module, lift module out. Examine for damage, water infiltration and really blackened lamp ends. If none, power On, and observe through your UV face shield, at safe distance, if lamp actually lights. If Lamp lights and LED is On, suspect loose electrical connection. If Lamp lights and LED is still Off, call Authorized Service for Power Control Center repair. If lamps are still Off, suspect bad ballast and replace.
GFCI Breaker Off (All lamp LEDs for a module off)	Ground Fault occurred. May be a false trip. Power the effected module Off (if not already powered by GFCI On/Off Breaker combination). Examine cable connectors for tightness. If suspicious, loosen, disconnect, clean, dry and re-connect. Lift module out of channel and examine for water infiltration. If so see "Water Infiltration". Reset GFCI, and Power On, (or Power On and reset GFCI). If problem recurs, refer to Authorized Service for Power Control Center repair.
UV Monitor Alarm UV Monitor Warn UV Monitor Low	Check Panel LED to see if lamp is extinguished. Check the age of the Lamp. Refer to Lamp replacement records. Check the physical positioning of the UV Sensor Probe. The sensor element inside may not be "looking" in the same direction as the probe tube is pointing. The probe may have shifted within the retaining compression nut. Sometimes this is pulled by the weight of the cable. Check for debris or film on the UV probe window. Clean and rough position with Lamp powered Off. Check for debris or film on Quartz Sleeve and clean. Install module, then fine position while watching for high reading on UV Monitor. Cleaning may be accomplished with detergent and green scouring pad LimeAway or Citric acid to remove scale. Alcohol for final rinse and dry.
Hydraulic	

Water in Sleeve Water in Gland Water in Quartz Water Infiltration	Check compression nut for tightness. Notice how tight it is. It may simply need to be tighter when reassembled later. Disassemble and dry related parts (Sleeve, O-ring, Lamp). The inside of a Sleeve may be cleaned with Citric acid, if a mild detergent fails to remove all scale. The inside of a Sleeve may be rinsed with Alcohol. It may be dried by poking a dry lint-free cloth (tethered on a string for retrieval) to the end, with a thin dowel stick.
Mechanical	
Broken Sleeve Broken Gland Broken Quartz Broken Glass	Carefully Loosen and dismantle effected parts (compression nut, O- ring). Remove broken shards and debris. Dry the area including lamp base connector. May use a water displacement spray for electrical parts (eg.: WD-40, or petroleum distillate with silicone lubricant). Do NOT contaminate any Quartz Sleeve or Lamp with this spray. Complete the installation with a fresh O-ring and Quartz Sleeve. Hand-tighten the compression nut.



## WARRANTY REGISTRATION

MODEL NUMBER:							
SERIAL NUMBER:							
REPRESENTATIVE NAME:							
INSTALLATION DATE:							
NAME:							
ADDRESS:							
		POSTAL CODE:					
COUNTRY:							
PHONE:	EMAIL:						

Please fill out the above information and forward it to Enchlor Inc.. This will provide the WWTP with a five (5) year warranty on the stainless steel components and a one (1) year warranty on the electrical components. UV lamps are warranted for one year.

This warranty applies to equipment that has been installed and maintained according to the instructions in this manual. Enchlor Inc. is not responsible for damage due to improper use, operation or installation. Enchlor Inc. is not responsible for improper plant design or changes to the effluent.

The warranty applies to replacing defective equipment.

Enchlor Inc. shall have no liability hereunder, either direct or contingent, for any consequential damages.

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