Operation & Maintenance Manual

Norweco Singulair[®] Bio-Kinetic[®] DN and Singulair Green[®] Bio-Kinetic[®] DN Wastewater Treatment Systems

BIO-KINETIC® WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM SINGULAIR® AERATOR SERVICE

The Singulair aerator has been specifically designed for use in the Singulair system and is the only electro-mechanical component. It provides maximum air introduction, thorough mixing and assures reliable, economical wastewater treatment. For Singulair systems requiring more than one aerator, follow these instructions for each aerator and aeration chamber. The Singulair aerator is factory lubricated for the life of the unit. No service inside the aerator is required. Unauthorized disassembly will void the warranty.

CAUTION: Any time an aerator or test equipment is connected or disconnected, first shut "off" the selector switch in each control center. Failure to do so could result in personal injury or equipment damage.

- 1. Open the control center and push the reset button on the Service Pro panel.
- 2. As you approach the Singulair tank, listen for excessive noise before removing the vented cover.
- 3. Remove the vented access cover located above the aeration chamber and place it aside. The aerator should be operating normally.
- 4. Make sure the debris screens are in place in the air intake ports. Manually check the aerator brackets for excessive vibration.
- 5. Check the aeration chamber for odor. A musty odor indicates the presence of aerobic conditions essential for good treatment. A septic odor indicates inadequate aeration, suggesting that the passage of air into the tank contents has been restricted.
- 6. Carefully remove the debris screens from the air intake ports. Wipe the aerator air intake ports with a damp cloth being careful not to allow dirt or debris to enter the intake openings.
- 7. Using the Singulair flowmeter, check the air delivery. It should read approximately 3 CFM. Refer to the Singulair Aerator Flowmeter instruction sheet for complete details.
- Inspect the outside of the electrical connector assembly for worn spots. Uncouple the connector and check for any evidence of moisture inside. Secure the closure cap over the female half of the connector to keep it clean and dry while you work.
- 9. Within 2-3 minutes after turning off the aerator, perform a settleable solids test of the aeration chamber contents. Refer to Singulair Tank Pumping instructions for details.
- 10. Remove the aerator from the mounting casting. BE CAREFUL when removing the aerator to see that the aspirator shaft does not come in contact with the mounting casting. The aspirator shaft is straightened to a critical tolerance before it is shipped from the factory. It must retain this straightness tolerance or vibration may result. Excessive vibration can greatly shorten aerator life and could also cause the unit to consume more electrical power than necessary.

- 11. Check the rubber shock absorbers on each bracket for wear. Replace any that are missing or worn.
- 12. Check the power cord from the moisture resistant electrical connector to the aerator. Be sure it is free of nicks or worn spots.
- 13. Lay the aerator on its side against the aerator mounting casting or vented cover. Check to see if there is a water mark on the outside of the aerator and notify the owner if one is found. The aerator is flood proof and mechanically designed so that it can return to normal operation unharmed after being subjected to intermittent high water. However, a high water mark on the outside of the aerator does indicate there is a problem in the effluent disposal line, disposal field or elsewhere in the installation. If the problem is left uncorrected, wastewater could back up into the tank, void the aerator warranty and eventually flood the facility.
- 14. Carefully loosen the two stainless steel set screws on the bottom of the intermediate shaft and remove the



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aspirator shaft. Remove any internal deposits from the four aspirator orifices with the aspirator shaft cleaning tool. Connect the aspirator shaft to the shaft cleaning hose and outside water faucet to flush the inside of the aspirator shaft clean. Use full water pressure. Remove the shaft from the cleaning hose and inspect the bore to see that it is clean.

- 15. Push the stainless steel brush with extension handle through the stainless steel intermediate shaft and hollow motor shaft to dislodge any residue that may have accumulated. **NOTE:** Do not flush the motor shaft with water. Remove any debris from the air intake openings.
- 16. Thoroughly clean both the bottom and the top surfaces of the foam restrictor.
- 17. Reinstall the aspirator shaft into the intermediate shaft. Match the permanent alignment marks on the aspirator and intermediate shafts to maintain the original factory balance. Tighten the set screws with a tee-handle allen wrench, finger tight only. Too much pressure may dish the side of the aspirator shaft and compromise the straightness tolerance.
- 18. Visually check the aeration chamber surface for the presence of grease or oil. An accumulation of these materials indicates the pretreatment chamber should be evaluated. Refer to Singulair Tank Pumping instructions for details.
- 19. Check the aeration chamber for the presence of non-biodegradable materials. Accumulation of these materials in the aeration chamber indicates the pretreatment chamber should be evaluated. Refer to Singulair Tank Pumping instructions for details.
- 20. Inspect the underground power cable in the aerator mounting casting for breaks or scars in the insulation. Examine the inside of the mounting casting and riser for evidence of ground water entry.
- 21. Carefully reinstall the aerator in the mounting casting. Do not allow the aspirator shaft to touch the mounting casting side walls. Make sure the weight of the aerator is evenly distributed on the upper end of all four mounting brackets.
- 22. Using a multi-meter, check the voltage at the electrical connector. The meter should read 115 volts ± 5% for systems equipped with electro-mechanical control centers and zero volts for systems with Service Pro controls. Record the voltage on the Service Inspection Card.
- 23. Wipe the aerator electrical connector with a clean, dry cloth to remove moisture or dirt accumulated during service. Plug the electrical test pigtail in between the male and female electrical connectors and check the amperage of the newly serviced aerator. The aerator should not draw more than 3.8 amps. Record the amperage on the Service Inspection Card.
- 24. Clean or replace the four air intake debris screens. Make sure one screen is placed in each intake opening to prevent debris from entering the aerator.
- 25. Inspect the vent cap in the aerator access cover and clear the fresh air openings of any debris to insure unrestricted passage of air. Reinstall the access cover on the mounting casting. **DANGER: Make sure the**

system access cover is in good condition and securely installed on the mounting casting. Never allow access risers to be left uncovered or partially covered. Failure to secure access covers and safety nets could result in bodily injury, illness or death. Riser safety nets are available from Norweco for concrete or plastic risers.

- 26. Make the appropriate notations regarding the aerator, the results of the settleable solids test and related items on the Service Inspection Card.
- 27. Proceed with clarification chamber service as outlined in Clarification Chamber and Bio-Kinetic Service instructions. When the routine service is complete, return to the control center and restore the Singulair system to the proper operating time cycle for this installation. Close the control center cover and secure it with a new tamper evident seal.

IF AN AERATOR MUST BE REMOVED

The service technician should be able to restore most installations to full operation during the initial service call. If the aerator is no longer eligible for the three-year limited warranty, the aerator should be removed and replaced with a remanufactured and fully warranted exchange unit from your rotating stock. This will become the permanent aerator in service at the facility and your company's service records should be updated to reflect the new aerator serial number. If the serial number portion of the Warranty Registration Card is still attached to the control center, be sure to fill in the new serial number for the owner. When you have accumulated several aerators requiring factory service, return them to Norweco. This reduces administrative time and the cost of shipment per unit. When remanufactured aerators are returned to you, add them to your rotating stock. In this way, the installation is restored to full service with a fully warranted unit in only one service trip.

EXCHANGE AERATOR COSTS

You may compute exact costs for exchange aerators during your service inspection since the cost is determined by system age, regardless of condition. Exchange rates are given on the Singulair Warranty and Exchange Program data sheet. In cases where the aerator has failed under warranty, you should replace it with a loaner unit to insure continued operation of the system and protect effluent quality. Return the warranted unit to the factory immediately for replacement and schedule reinstallation with the owner at the earliest possible convenience when it is returned to you.



BIO-KINETIC® WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM CLEANING AND DISASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE BIO-KINETIC® SYSTEM

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FROM THE BIO-KINETIC SYSTEM TOOL KADDY

- □ water hose and spray nozzle
- Bio-Kinetic system universal tool
- rubber gloves
- □ safety face shield or goggles
- \Box ratchet drive and $7/_{16}$ " socket

A fresh water supply and sewer drain are required for cleaning the Bio-Kinetic system.

- Remove the Bio-Kinetic system from the service container. Rinse the container and lid. Rotate the four locking lugs to the outboard position on the Bio-Kinetic system. Remove the gasketed discharge flange assembly from the flow deck and rinse it with water.
- 2. Grasp the top flange of the system with one hand and insert the disassembly tool beneath each of the strap handles on the flow deck. Pull up on the disassembly tool to remove the flow deck and internal system components from the contact chamber and set aside. Use the water hose and spray nozzle to wash the inside of the contact chamber.
- 3. Use the water hose and spray nozzle to wash off the



filter media. Continue spraying until all sludge and wastewater have been flushed from the media. Invert the filter assembly and flush accumulated material from the baffled perimeter settling zone. Inspect the perimeter settling zone to be certain that it is totally clean. Check the flow equalization ports to be sure they are clean and unobstructed.

 Wash off any debris that has accumulated on the surface of the flow distribution deck and baffle wall shroud. Lay the assembly down on its side and



remove the four wing nuts on the bottom. Remove and wash the bottom deck plate.

CAUTION: Do not break or damage the molded plastic tabs on the edge of the bottom deck plate.

Do not remove the remaining deck plates at this time. Stand the assembly upright and lift up on the flow distribution deck to separate it from the baffle wall shroud and deck plates. You may find it helpful to hold the baffle shroud between your feet when lifting up on the flow deck.

NOTE: The thru bolts will be removed from the shroud and deck plates when the flow deck is lifted off the baffle

BIO-KINETIC® SYSTEM CLEANING AND DISASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS (Cont.)

wall shroud. Do not remove the thru bolts from the flow distribution deck. Rinse the flow distribution deck thoroughly inside and out. Inspect the weir and final discharge zone to be sure they are completely clean.

- 5. Lift up the baffle wall shroud to remove it from the deck plates. Rinse the inside and outside of the shroud and set it aside. Take the cleaned, round bottom deck plate and set it on the floor with the engraved name facing down.
- 6. Remove the top deck plate from the remaining stack and wash off both sides. When cleaned, set it on top of the cleaned, round bottom deck plate. Repeat this procedure with each deck plate until all plates are cleaned and reassembled into a single stack. Each deck plate is molded with four circular depressions in the bottom side of the plate and four round stand-off posts in the top side of the plate. When restacking the clean deck plates, make sure the four depressions on the bottom engage the top of the four posts below. All



deck plates must be placed onto the stack baffle side up (engraving down). When properly assembled, all edges of each plate should be vertically aligned.

7. Lower the baffle wall shroud over the assembled stack of deck plates. The two large V-notches in the shroud should engage the smaller notches on the edge of the deck plates. Check the four leveling lugs on the flow deck. They must be unscrewed until they are flush with the bottom of the flow deck. Now position the flow distribution deck above the baffle wall shroud so that the outlet of the flow distribution deck is directly opposite the two large V-notches in the shroud. Insert each of the four thru bolts through the holes in the top of the baffle shroud and into the stack of deck plates. Lower the flow distribution deck until it fully engages



the top of the baffle shroud. Push each thru bolt down into the assembly as far as it will go.

- 8. Lay the assembly on its side and push the thru bolts through the bottom deck plate. Fasten a wing nut to each of the four through bolts where they project through the bottom deck plate. While tightening each wing nut, make sure the molded plastic tabs on the bottom deck plate engage the slots on the edge of the shroud. Tighten enough to insure all three tabs are fully engaged into the three slots in the shroud.
- 9. Lubricate the grommet in the outlet opening of the contact chamber. Grasp the strap handles and lower the flow deck and internal components into the cleaned contact chamber making sure to align the flow deck outlet with the outlet of the contact chamber. Apply a moderate amount of downward force until the outlet of the flow distribution deck aligns with the outlet of the contact chamber.
- 10. Place the assembled Bio-Kinetic system back into the cleaned service container. Place the discharge flange assembly onto the flow distribution deck. Now place the service container cover into position by aligning the four holes in the cover with the locking lug bolts. Add a wing nut to each of the lug bolts to hold the cover in place. Return the container to your service stock.



OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF THE SINGULAIR® BIO-KINETIC® DN AND SINGULAIR GREEN® BIO-KINETIC® DN NITROGEN REDUCING WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM

Singulair[®] Bio-Kinetic[®] DN 500, 750, 1,000, 1,250 and 1,500 GPD and Singulair Green[®] Bio-Kinetic[®] DN 500

RECIRCULATION PUMP SERVICE

The recirculation pump is located in the small recirculation chamber immediately after the Singulair[®] DN system.

The service requirements are the following:

- 1. Cleaning the screen of any deposits.
- 2. Checking the pump for normal operations with power on.

If the pump is not operating, it should be replaced.

BIO-KINETIC® WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM TROUBLESHOOTING

During service inspections you may periodically encounter a situation which, if not identified and corrected, will result in interruption of service for the Singulair system. This troubleshooting guide is designed to enable you to isolate the cause of system problems that may be encountered from time to time. Whenever a potential problem is encountered, you should take immediate steps to eliminate the cause. Please note that all areas of installation, including those normally the responsibility of the contractor, excavator, electrician and owner, are covered. You will find that many problems can be traced to causes other than the system or its components. Your help and suggestions in solving these for the owner will save unnecessary expense and will insure maximum system performance.

PLEASE NOTE:

This troubleshooting guide provides efficient and correct solutions to most wastewater treatment problems when used in conjunction with established inspection procedures performed by a factory-trained service technician.

Before responding to a customer service call, check to see that:

- ✓ A member of your service staff, factory-trained and certified by Norweco, is dispatched to answer the call.
- ✓ Installation and service records for the particular system are up-to-date and have been reviewed.
- ✓ The service technician has a copy of the Singulair Service Manual.
- ✓ The service vehicle has loaner aerators, exchange aerators, Bio-Kinetic Service Cart, exchange Bio-Kinetic systems and a fully stocked Tool Kaddy with replacement parts.
- Clear and concise directions to the installation, including tank and control center location, are given to the service technician.

OPERATIONAL TROUBLESHOOTING

MUD OR SILT IN SINGULAIR SYSTEM OR BIO-KINETIC SYSTEM*

Influent sewer line separated at a joint or fitting	Have contractor excavate and repair
Sewer line crushed	Have contractor excavate and replace
Defective seal around tank inlet or outlet	Excavate and reseal
Singulair tank structurally damaged	Excavate and patch or replace tank
Singulair casting joint improperly sealed	Excavate and seal with non-shrink grout

*Have Singulair system pumped to remove mud after repairs have been completed. Multiple pumping may be required to remove all mud from the Singulair system. See: Singulair Tank Pumping instructions.

TROUBLESHOOTING (Cont.)

SEPTIC ODOR IN SINGULAIR SYSTEM

Aerator turned off

Insufficient air delivery by aerator Aspirator shaft plugged with deposits Aspirator orifices plugged with deposits Water softener backwash discharging into system Circuit breaker tripped

Improperly sealed pretreatment chamber access cover Vent cap openings restrict fresh air entry Incomplete treatment due to hydraulic overloading Periodic septic odor for no reason Place control center selector switch in "automatic" position

Service aerator

Remove from aerator and flush with shaft cleaning hose

Remove deposits

Have owner remove backwash line from system

See "Control Center Warning Light Glows/Audible Alarm Sounding"

Seal pretreatment access cover

Clean vent cap openings

See "Hydraulic Overloading"

Have sanitary sewer vent checked

HYDRAULIC OVERLOADING OF SINGULAIR SYSTEM

Ground water entering system through tank joint Ground water entering system through crack in side wall Ground water entering system through defective seal at inlet or outlet line

Roofing down spouts, footer drains, sump pump piping or garage and basement floor drains tied into Singulair system influent line Excavate and seal with non-shrink grout

Excavate and patch with non-shrink grout

Excavate and reseal piping as needed

Have contractor relocate improper connection downstream of Singulair system

ORGANIC OVERLOADING OF SINGULAIR SYSTEM

Aeration chamber settled solids test reads in excess of 75%

Aeration chamber solids appear black

Evaluate pretreatment chamber - See Singulair Tank Pumping instructions

Evaluate pretreatment chamber - See Singulair Tank Pumping instructions

FLOATING SOLIDS IN CLARIFICATION CHAMBER OR PLANT EFFLUENT

Excessive sludge on clarifier sidewalls	Scrape hopper side walls
Restriction of Bio-Static or sludge return port	Remove obstruction
Pretreatment chamber discharging excessive solids	Evaluate pretreatment chamber - See Singulair Tank Pumping instructions
Hydraulic overloading of system	See "Hydraulic Overloading"

CONTROL CENTER WARNING LIGHT GLOWS/AUDIBLE ALARM SOUNDING

Liquid in tank at level of foam restrictor Aerator drawing excessive current Dead short in power line to aerator See "Singulair System Flooded" See "Aerator Drawing Excessive Current" Have owner call his electrician

PROGRESS THROUGH

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BIO-KINETIC® WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM AERATOR TROUBLESHOOTING

AERATOR WILL NOT OPERATE

Electrical service to aerator interruptedSee "No Electrical Power from Control Center to Aerator"Voltage supplied is insufficient to start aerator*Report condition to power companyDefective bearing, windings or insulation in motorReturn entire aerator to factoryDebris wound on aspirator shaftRemove debris with knifeAspirator shaft bentReturn entire aerator to factoryFoam restrictor or entire aerator under waterSee "Singulair System Flooded"

*If you suspect low voltage, check the voltage at the watertight electrical connector, not at the Service Pro control center. If voltage above 103 or more is measured, check the other possibilities listed in this section.

AERATOR DRAWING EXCESSIVE CURRENT

Foam restrictor partially under water	See "Singulair System Flooded"
Debris on aspirator shaft	Remove debris with knife
Motor failure	Return aerator to factory
Insufficient voltage (less than 103 volts)	Report condition to power company
Excessive voltage (greater than 126 volts)	Report condition to power company

AERATOR MAKING EXCESSIVE NOISE

Rubber shock absorbers on brackets worn Bearing failure in aerator motor Noise is generated by excessive vibration Replace shock absorbers Return aerator to factory See "Aerator Operates With Excessive Vibration"

AERATOR OPERATES WITH EXCESSIVE VIBRATION

Debris on aspirator shaft	Remove debris with knife
Aspirator shaft bent	Return entire aerator to factory
Aerator mounting brackets bent	Straighten brackets
Top aerator brackets not seated evenly	Adjust mounting brackets
Aspirator shaft installed too tightly on intermediate shaft	Reinstall aspirator shaft with set screws finger tight only. If condition persists return entire aerator to factory.
Aspirator shaft installed with improper alignment to intermediate shaft	Reinstall aspirator shaft to factory alignment marks

AERATOR OPERATES BRIEFLY BEFORE CIRCUIT BREAKER TRIPS

Aerator is drawing excessive currentSee "AeratorAerator is partially under waterSee "SinAspirator shaft bentReturn eMoisture has entered aerator motorReturn e

See "Aerator Drawing Excessive Current" See "Singulair System Flooded" Return entire aerator to factory Return entire aerator to factory

AERATOR TROUBLESHOOTING (Cont.) ELECTRICAL TROUBLESHOOTING

CAUTION: Before initiating any electrical component inspection or repair, turn off all power to the Singulair system by switching off the dedicated circuit breaker in the main electrical service panel and then testing with the electrical multi-meter. Repairs should always be made by a qualified electrician using proper procedures and safe tools. Make sure all circuits are properly grounded. Do not stand in damp locations when making electrical system tests. Always use tools with insulated handles for electrical repairs.

NO ELECTRICAL POWER FROM ELECTRICAL SERVICE PANEL TO CONTROL CENTER

Circuit breaker in electrical service panel has tripped Fuse in electrical service panel has blown Circuit breaker in electrical service panel turned "off" Loose connection in electrical service panel

Defective circuit breaker in electrical service panel Corrosion on contacts prevents flow of current Incomplete circuit - neutral not properly wired Power cable from service panel to Service Pro control center severed Turn breaker to "off" position, then turn "on" Have owner replace fuse Turn breaker "on" Tighten all connections: First, shut off breaker in main electrical service panel Have owner replace circuit breaker Clean or replace contacts Have owner wire directly to neutral bar

Have owner locate break and repair

NO ELECTRICAL POWER FROM CONTROL CENTER TO AERATOR

Service Pro control center terminal A1 and neutral read zero voltage

Singulair circuit breaker has tripped Singulair circuit breaker is defective Singulair selector switch turned "off" Singulair selector switch defective Corrosion on terminals prevents flow of current Power cable from Service Pro control center to aerator damaged Loose wiring connection Place selector switch in "on" position. If voltage is read, place selector switch in "automatic" position and rotate time clock knob until voltage is read. If no voltage can be read, replace control center insert.

- Push reset breaker Replace breaker Turn switch to "automatic" operation Replace control center insert Clean or replace contacts
- Locate damage and repair

Check all connections

AERATOR WILL NOT START

Reset breaker in Service Pro control center tripped Loss of power to Service Pro control center Insufficient voltage present at aerator Watertight electrical connector not properly engaged Watertight electrical connector not properly wired Defective motor Push reset breaker See both "No Electrical Power" sections Report condition to power company Remove watertight electrical connector and plug in tightly Rewire watertight electrical connector Return entire aerator to factory

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