

# **SUCCESS STORY**

# Optimizing Reverse Osmosis System

Large California beverage company saves water and energy while minimizing waste and maximizing cost savings

#### CLIENT

#### West coast beverage producer

# THE CHALLENGE

- Water limitations from drought and regulatory restrictions
- Reduce water needs across production process at five plants
- Maintain production capacity and water purity standards

# THE SOLUTION

- Audit current Reverse Osmosis systems to identify improvements
- Conduct filtration study to assess treatment processes
- Design new treatment and RO system to meet both water saving and production needs

# THE RESULTS

- New pre-treatment and RO system saves 80 million+ gallons of water per year across five facilities
- New RO equipment delivers 14% reduction in energy costs
- 60% reduction in RO membrane replacement needs saves \$200,000 per year in new membrane expenses

#### PRODUCTS + SOLUTIONS

RO systems audit Filtration study

Effective pre-treatment + efficient Reverse Osmosis + concentrate RO systems

### THE CHALLENGE

Drought and impending water regulations and restrictions compel a large California beverage company to reduce water use across five locations.

They needed a new approach to producing purified water with Reverse Osmosis (RO) filtration in their facilities.

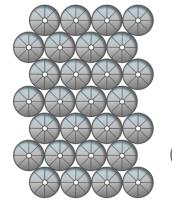
#### THE SOLUTION

Puretec audited the client's RO systems and identified changes to effectively reduce waste and costs without impacting production volume. While a filtration study offered new options for supply feed pre-treatment to reduce waste and streamline system and service costs.

Additionally, we installed a concentrate RO system to effectively recover 50% of the waste RO concentrate stream and add the formerly wasted water back into their production process.

Location 1	88.0%
Location 2	80.0%
Location 6	94.7%
Location 8	93.0%
Location 10*	76.0%
Average Recovery	86.35%
*Location 10 has extremely	

high silica in the water feed.



Before



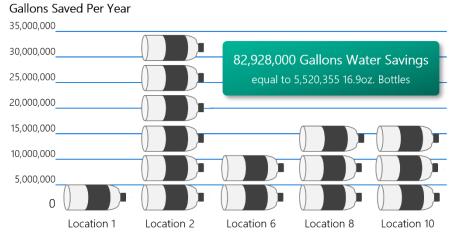
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## EXCELLENT RESULTS

#### Water Savings

Optimizing the facilities' RO pre-treatment system and recovery rates saved the company 80 million gallons of water per year across the five facilities.



#### Energy Savings

New RO system reduced energy costs 14%.

While previous operated at 75% recovery, Puretec's new pretreatment chemistry and targeted system modifications boosted the recovery rate to >85% delivering significant water and energy savings.

#### Waste Reduction

An average RO membrane delivers a five-year service life. Yet, some client facilities replaced membranes several times a year as inadequate pretreatment and cleaning severely impacted RO membrane lifespans.

Effective anti-scalants and a new cleaning regimen, based on normalized operating data, reduced membrane replacement by 60% preventing 300+ RO membranes from going to the landfill each year and saving \$200,000 in replacement costs.

# Let's Build Something Together

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