



# Electro Deionization: EDI Systems.

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## Introduction: EDI Electro Deionization

1. Where does EDI belong in a Pure Water System?
2. How does EDI work?
3. What makes EDI work better?
4. What makes EDI perform poorly?
5. What is the future of EDI?



## EDI Benefits

1. EDI is a continuous process
  - Obtain consistent water quality
  - EDI eliminates batch changeovers
  
2. EDI eliminates the need for regeneration chemicals
  - EDI eliminates the resulting hazardous waste



# EDI History

- ❖ World War II: Development of ED (Japan/US)
- ❖ 1950's-1960's: Academic work
- ❖ 1960's: "Filled cell ED" work at Ionics & GE
- ❖ 1977: Electropure EDI prototype tested at SRI
- ❖ 1984: EDI Patent issued to Electropure
- ❖ 1985: EDI Patent issued to Millipore
- ❖ 1983-87: Understanding of role of water splitting in EDI
- ❖ 1988: First Commercial EDI (Electropure)
- ❖ 1993: Ionpure sold to USF
- ❖ 1996: Glegg builds E-cell™
- ❖ 1998: Market acceptance of EDI begins
- ❖ 2000-2001: Rapid growth of EDI in new DI installations and to replace existing DI mixed bed systems

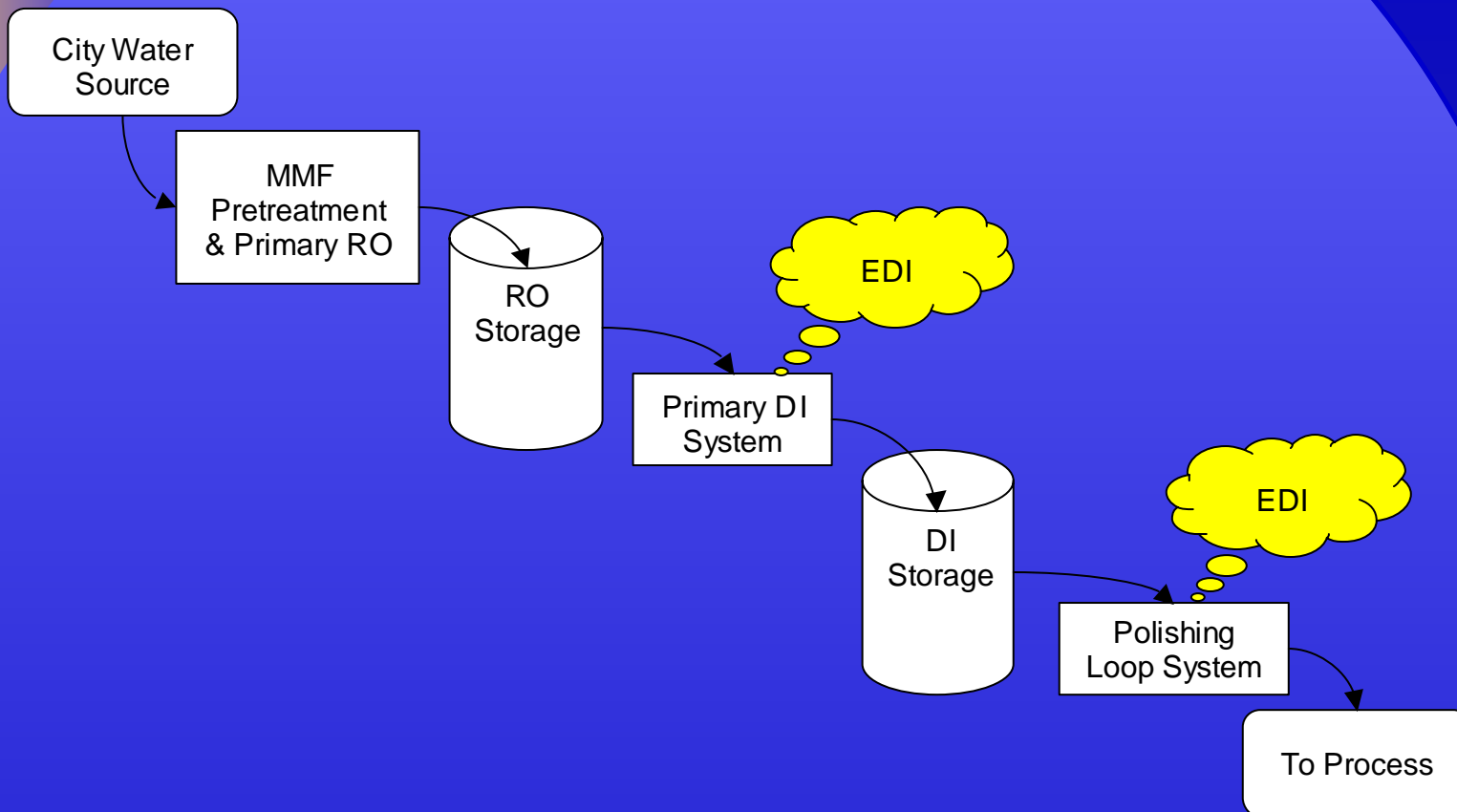


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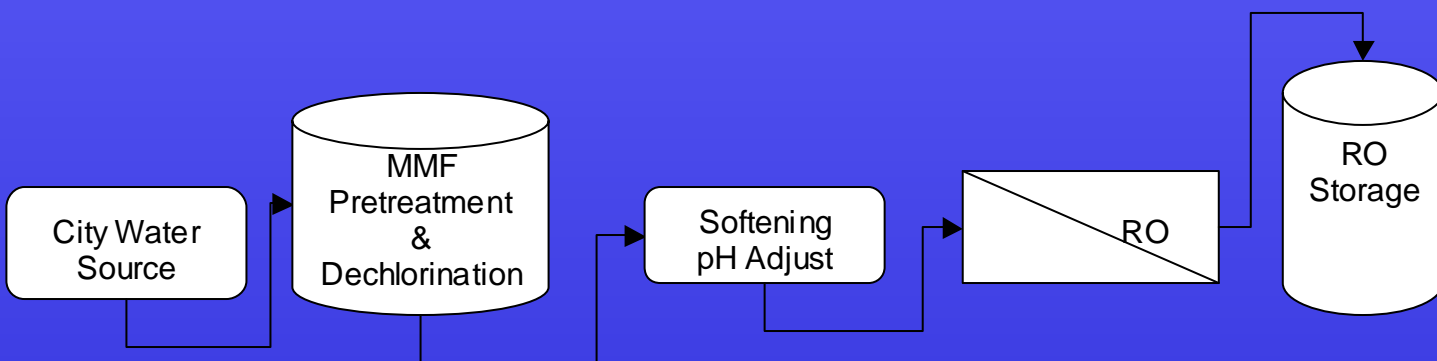


# Place of EDI in a Complete System



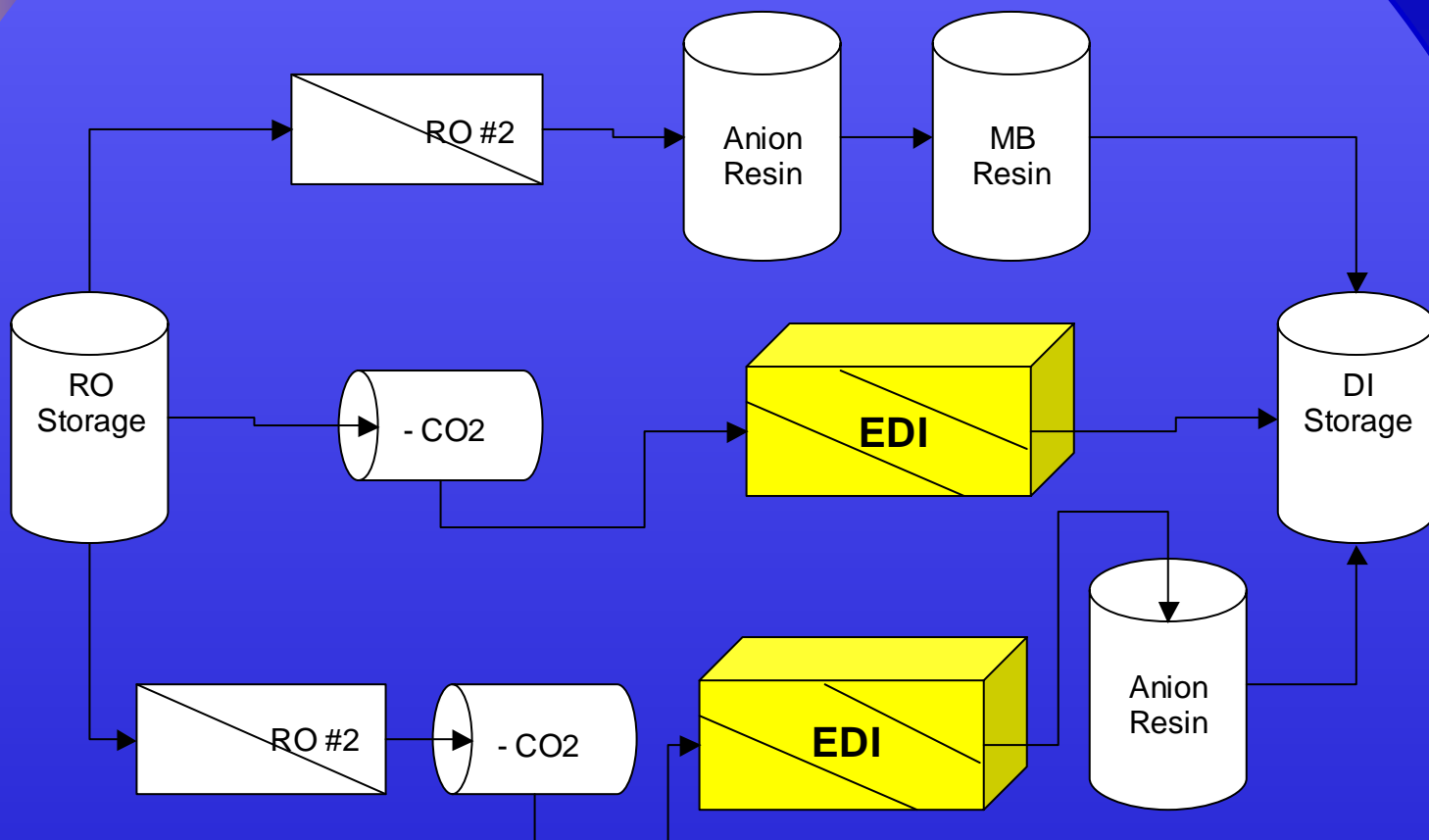


## First Stage: RO & Pretreatment





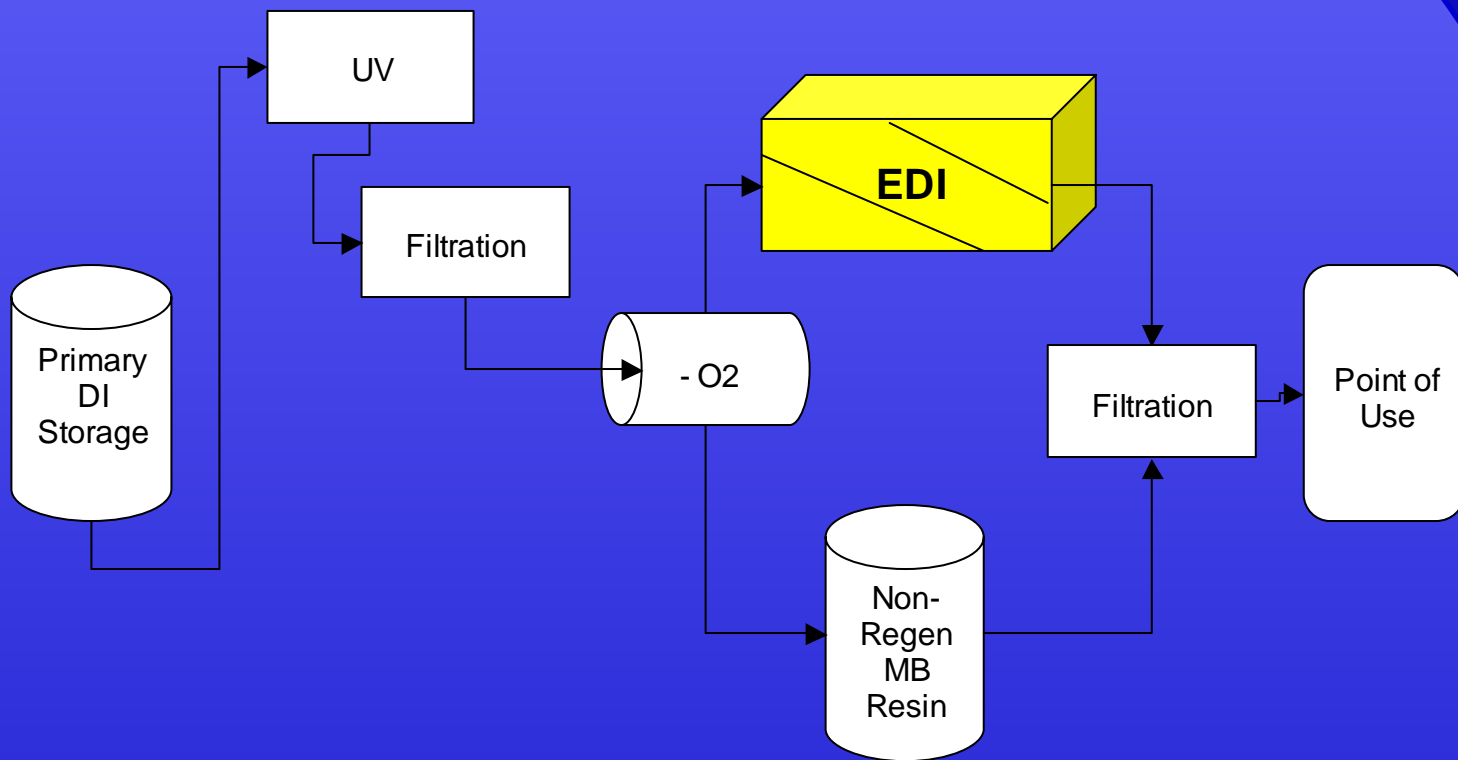
## Second Stage: Primary DI System Options







## Third Stage: Polishing DI System Options





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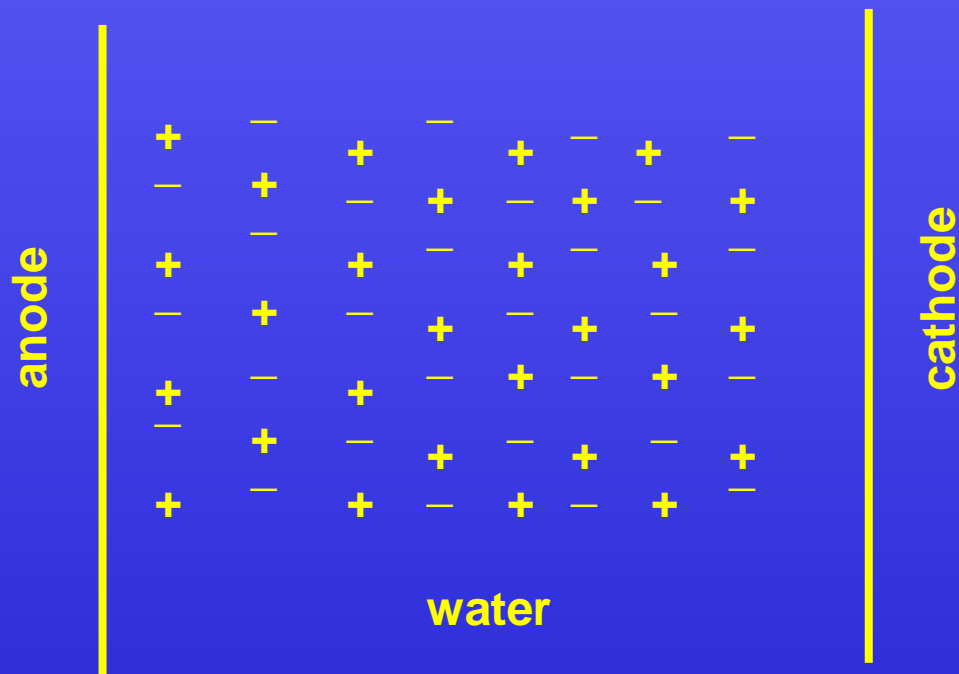


# What is Electro Deionization?

- ✧ Modified form of Electro-Dialysis (ED)
- ✧ EDI is a continuous Electro-Deionization process that uses:
  - Ion exchange resin
  - Ion selective membranes
  - DC electricity as a driving force... to produce high-quality DI water

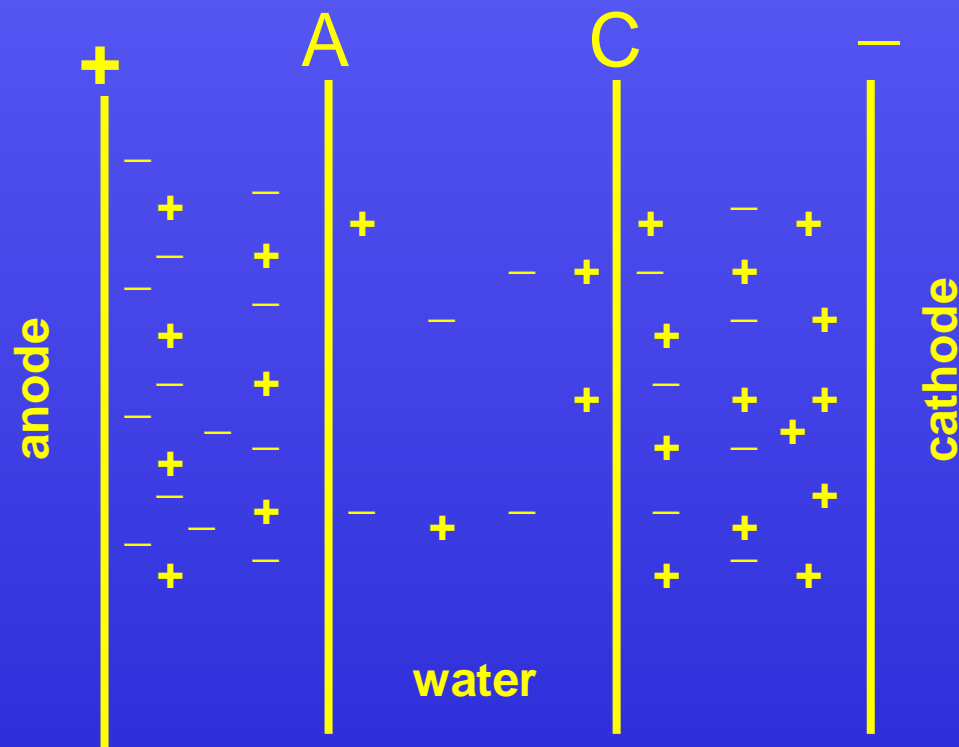


# ED Electro-Dialysis





# ED Electro Dialysis





## ED limitations for Deionizing Water

- ✧ Operation of ED is limited by the low diffusion velocity of ions in water
- ✧ The purer the water (high resistivity), the more difficult it becomes to remove ions by electrical voltage
- ✧ Residence time in an ED module is too limited to fully remove ions



## ED transforms into EDI

### ✧ Solution:

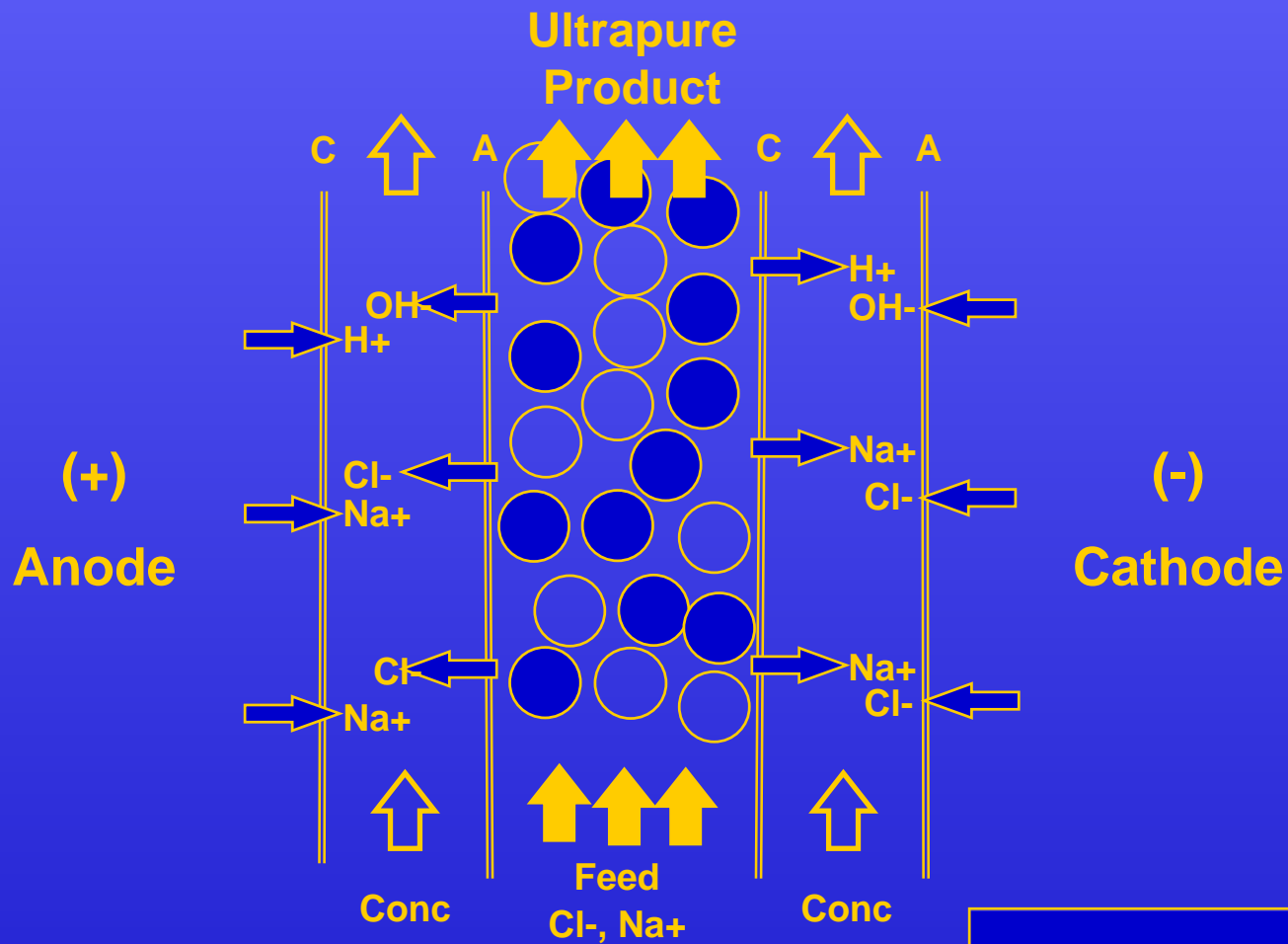
- Add ion exchange resin between the ion selective membranes

### ✧ Benefits:

- IX Resins trap ions and extend ion residence time by 100x
- IX Resins provide mobility conduit
- IX Resins allow efficient splitting of water to form  $H^+$  and  $OH^-$  locally



# Electropure EDI Technology

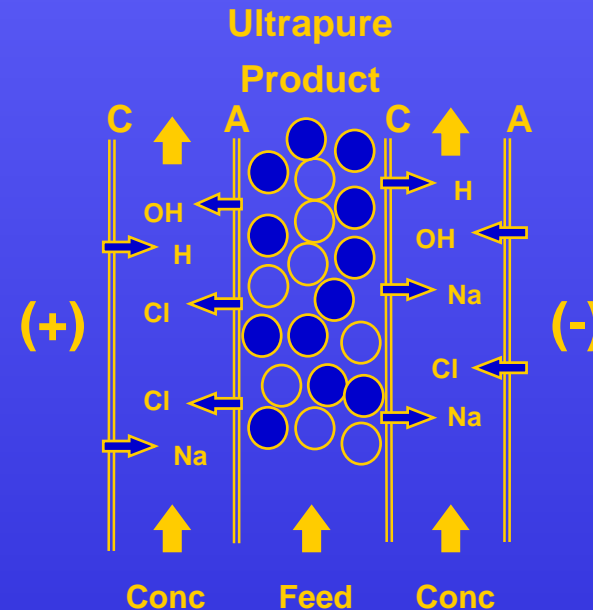






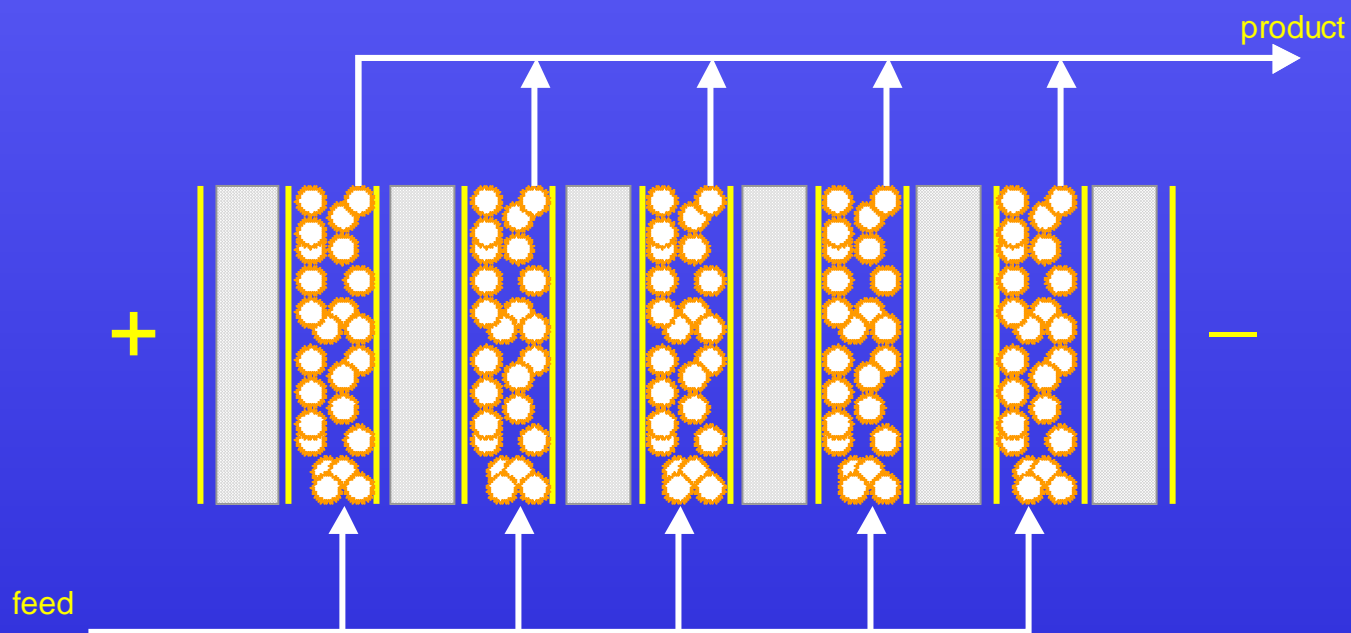
# Electropure EDI Technology

- ❖ Ions removed continuously
- ❖ Resins in Steady State (no regen)
- ❖ No chemicals
- ❖ Upflow design
- ❖ Thin cells for better ion removal
- ❖ Mixed bed resins for best silica removal



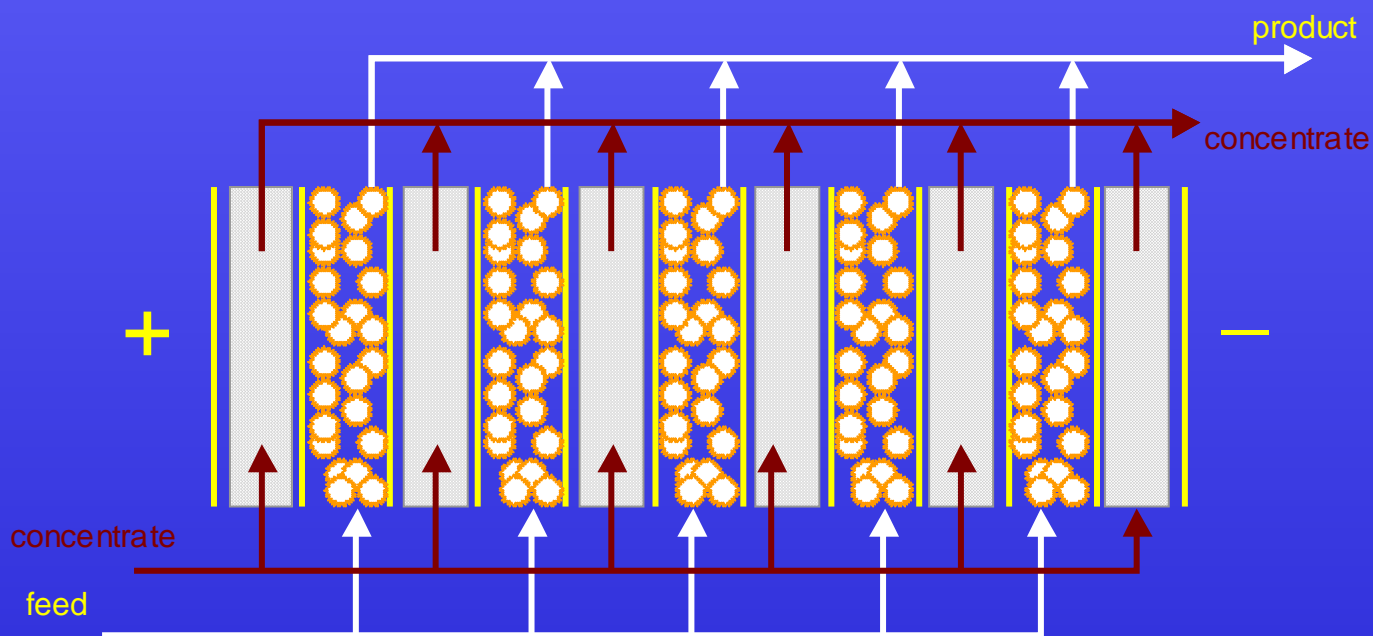


## EDI Module: multiple cells in parallel



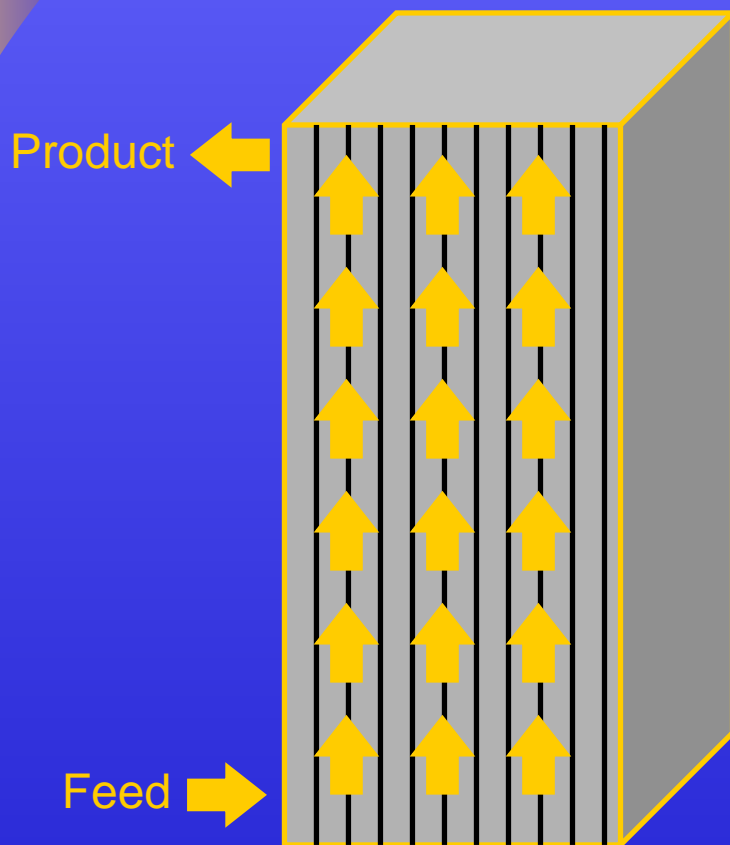


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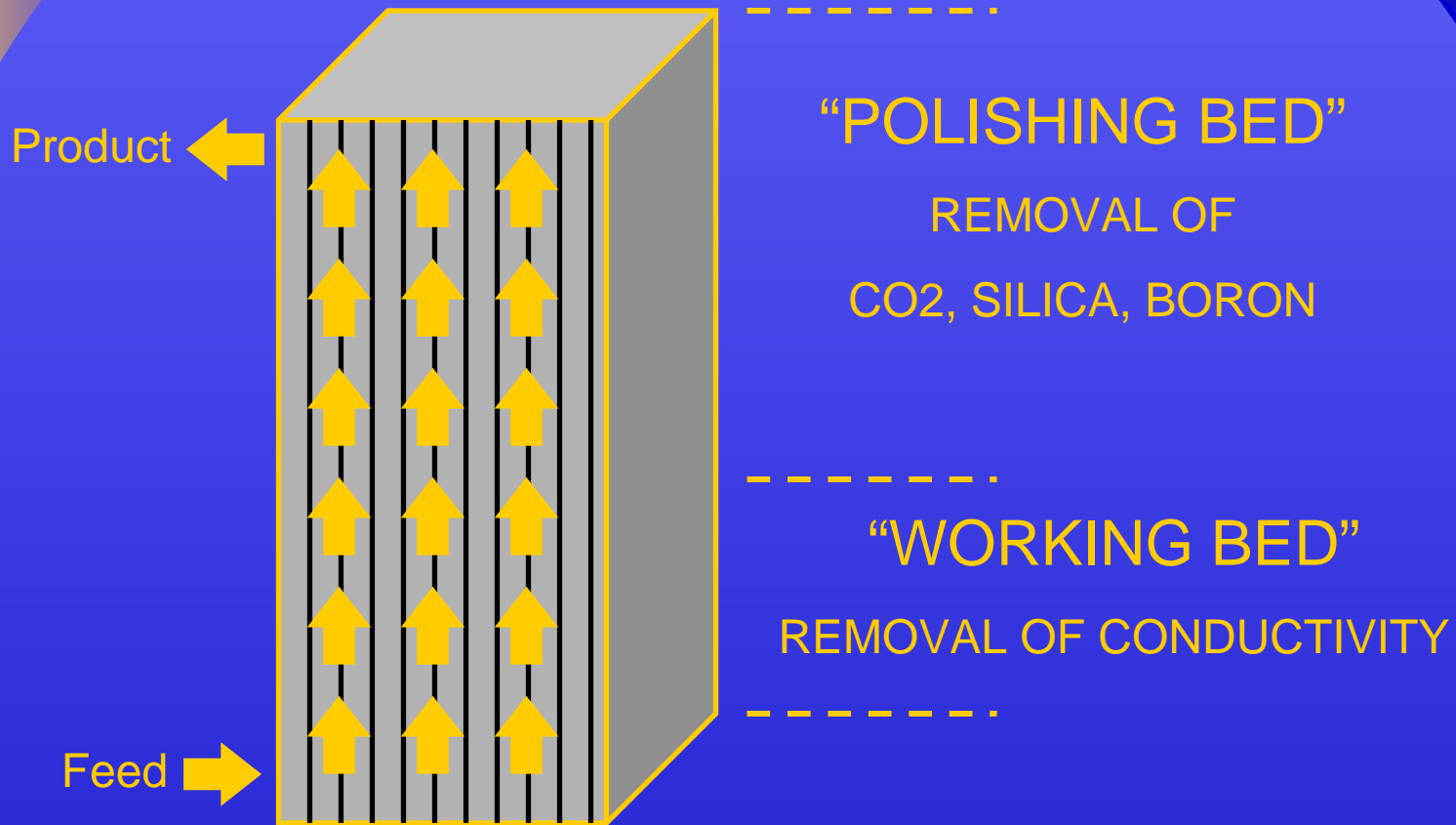


# XL by Electropure™





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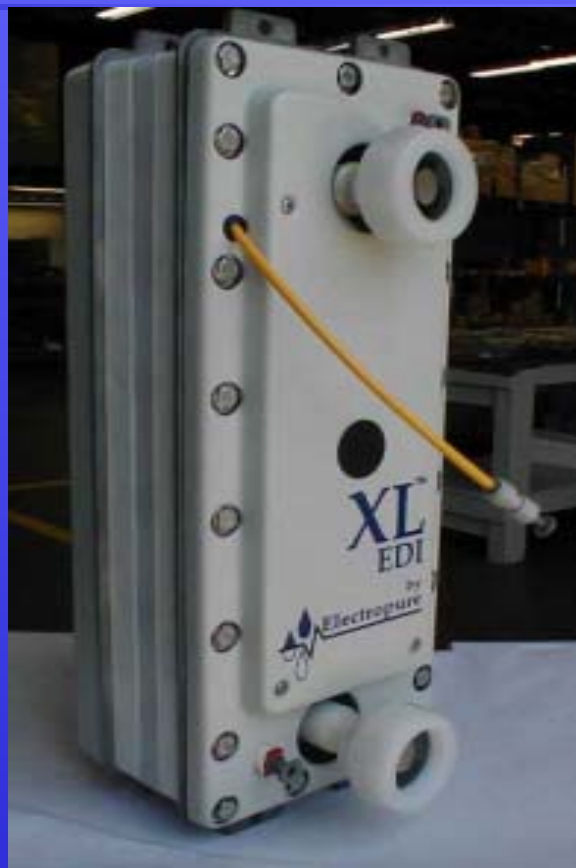
- ✧ Simple Systems:  
No Concentrate  
Recirculation
- ✧ Small, compact  
modules
- ✧ Lightweight
- ✧ Patented Design
- ✧ Easy to Connect
- ✧ Produces Water up  
to 18,1 Megohm.cm



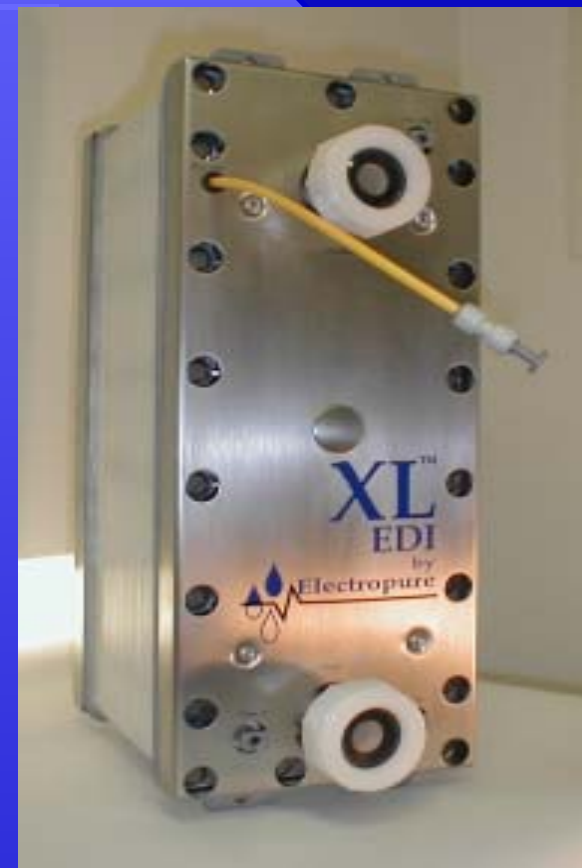
# EDI Module



XL-500



XL-100-S



XL-500-HTS



# XL by Electropure™

- ✧ Variety of Module Sizes Available







# XL by Electropure™

## Product Flow

<b>XL-500</b>	1,3-2,3 m <sup>3</sup> /h
<b>XL-400</b>	0,7-1,5 m <sup>3</sup> /h
<b>XL-300</b>	300-900 l/h
<b>XL-200</b>	100-300 l/h
<b>XL-100</b>	50-150 l/h



# Large EDI Systems

- ✧ Systems up to 100 m<sup>3</sup>/hr or more
- ✧ Array modules in parallel, like RO, on skid





## 150 gpm Semiconductor System

Customer Photo: Do Not Distribute



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## What makes EDI work better?

- ✧ “Easy” ions in feed water
  - $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ , etc.
- ✧ Fewer ions in feed water
- ✧ Proper voltage driving force
  - depends on %recovery and temperature
- ✧ No oxidizers, no metals, no debris, no organics (TOC)
- ✧ Good internal pressure balance
- ✧ Proper and Simple system design



## EDI Performance: Conductivity

- ✧ Typical XL Performance: 17.0-17.5 Megohm.cm
- ✧ Best XL Field Performance: 17.9-18.1 Megohm.cm
- ✧ Reduces Ion Load on Mixed Bed Polisher
- ✧ Keys to Performance....

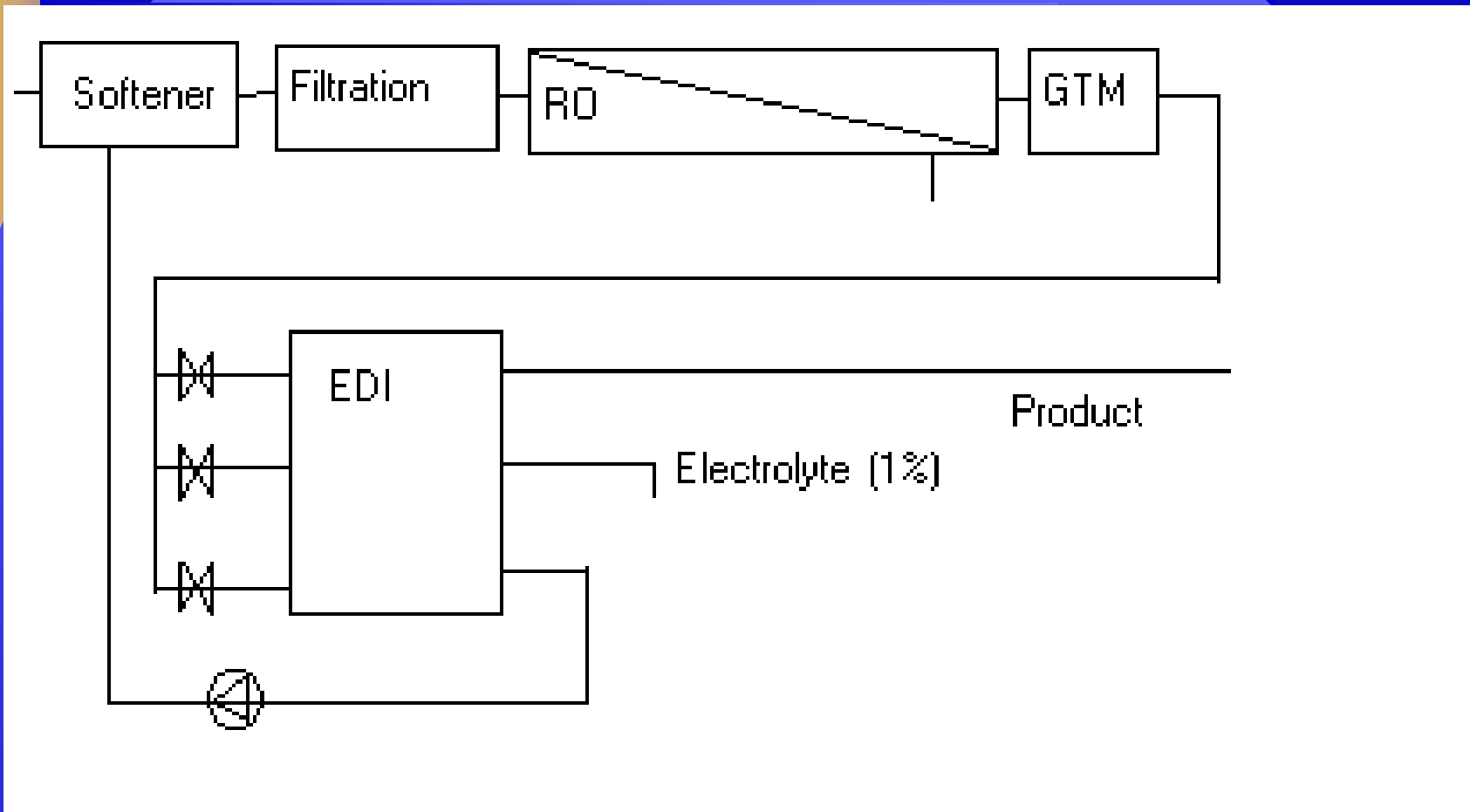


## Keys to EDI Performance

- ✧ Proper Pretreatment
- ✧ Proper Feedwater Constituents
- ✧ CO<sub>2</sub> under 5 ppm
- ✧ Minimum Oxidizing Agents
- ✧ Periodic Torqueing



## Simple System Design







## Silica Numbers

- ✧ RO Feed: 5-70 ppm
- ✧ RO Silica Rejection: 99.7% per Hydranautics (CPA4: 2x Chloride)
- ✧ Silica EDI Inlet Maximum: 0.5 ppm
- ✧ 20 ppm - 99% System - 0.2 ppm to EDI
- ✧ XL: typical 88-92% by Hach 5000 with 200 ppb feed
- ✧ .... 20 ppb feed to MB polisher
- ✧ .... 1-3 ppb from MB polisher



## What makes EDI perform poorly?

- ✧ Oxidizers hurt lifetime ( $O_3$ ,  $Cl_2$ )
- ✧ Irreversible metal ion adsorption ( $Fe^{+3}$ , Mn)
- ✧ High feed conductivity (inefficient)
- ✧ Voltage too high/too low (inefficient)
- ✧ Ions with “fluffy” charge are hard to remove
  - $CO_2$  competes with  $SiO_2$  and Boron
- ✧ Organic contamination (requires module cleaning)
- ✧ High hardness in feed will cause scale (requires module cleaning)



## EDI Lifetime

- ✧ Economic: 3 years
- ✧ Actual:
  - *“Depends on Pretreatment, just like RO”*
- ✧ Maximum: 7-8 years



# The future of EDI?

## ✧ Predictions

- EDI will parallel RO experience
- Early adopters will have advantage
- EDI will replace all batch resin systems
- Improvement in water product quality
- More robust to  $\text{CO}_2$
- More effective at  $\text{SiO}_2$  removal
- Specialization of products by industry/market need
- System skills developed by Customers/users will greatly enhance performance in the field



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