#### **BUTYRALDEHYDE TOWER CAPACITY LIMITATIONS**

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The Main Distillation tower in the only Oxo Alcohol Plant in South America was revamped in 2005. The tower experienced capacity limitations from the start. A study of the column capacity was begun in 2005. New trays were provided in 2007. The capacity only increased marginally with the new trays. In 2008 another detailed capacity study was enacted including gamma scans of the tower. During this study, the top few trays showed unusual absorption on the Gamma Scans and buildup of water in the tower was suspected. The spare pump line was drained and found to be totally full of water. However, upon further draining, an abundance of foam came out of the spare pump line. This paper will detail the lessons learned from this experience and the ultimate solution to this very interesting tower.

#### **Background**

In 2005, Sulzer Chemtech revamped the i/n Butyraldehyde tower T-2103 from RV-1 round valve trays to Shell Calming Section Trays™ on a tray for tray basis. A study was made as to the projected performance of the new trays after the revamp. Part of this study encompassed a full review of the existing trays. The existing trays were normal straight downcomer valve trays. The downcomers occupied 6.2% of the tower cross-sectional area and tray spacing ranges between 400mm and 450mm. There are 90 trays in this 1900 mm ID tower. The existing trays were limited to 9.5 mT/h of feed flow and the observed tray efficiency was about 71%.

The new tray design incorporated 2 calming section boxes above the feed. Below the feed where more liquid loading is experienced there were 3 calming section boxes employed per tray. The designs are shown in Figure 1.

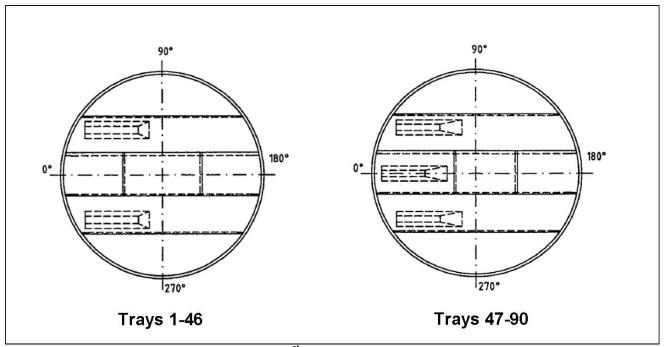


Figure 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> Tray Installation - 2005

Upon initial startup the tower was able to achieve improved capacity but the revamp was supposed to achieve a feed rate of 11.5 mT/h or about 20% more capacity. It was discovered that the reboiler return was not placing the thermosyphon return into the proper side of the bottom compartment and that the reflux return was not oriented correctly. This was corrected in May 2006, but the tower yielded no improvements. A visit to the plant followed. A thorough examination of the tower and ancillary equipment ensued. For example, the reflux feed and steam flow meters were all checked and found to be quite accurate<sup>(1)</sup>.

A test of the tower was performed while the products were routed back to the feed tank. The overall steam load was increased to both reboilers while holding the reflux rate constant. As the overall steam load was

increased from 6.9 T/hr up to 7.3 T/hr (a 5% change) it was noticed that the pressure drop increased only slightly (less than 1%). Above 7.2 T/hr of steam consumption, the tower became difficult to control. The operator had difficulty keeping a constant level in the reflux drum. It was also noticed that the temperature profile in the tower was rising. To counteract this rising temperature profile, the reflux rate was increased with the intent to drive the temperature profile back down the tower. This did not happen. In fact it appeared that increasing the reflux had no effect at all but to temporarily relieve the high liquid level in the reflux drum. This was very strange. Keep in mind that the reboiler duty is about 4.1 MMkcal and is about 25% less than design. Every change made in steam rate resulted in hardly any change in the column overall pressure drop and never any indication of a progressive liquid buildup indicative of a traditional flooding mechanism. Several data sets were compiled and a plot of observed tray efficiency against reflux rate was generated, see Figure 2.

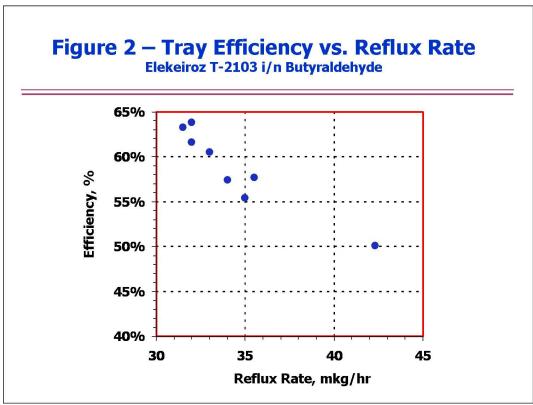


Figure 2 - Tray Efficiency vs. Reflux Rate from 2006

This reduction in tray efficiency at higher reflux rates is indicative of high entrainment on the trays. However, there are no typical signs of flooding or entrainment from the trays, and the predicted flood capacity of these trays is quite low. Several observations of tower operation led the authors to believe that there must have been a significant amount of carryover of liquid in the overhead vapor line from this tower. These observations were;

- lack of high pressure drop with increased reflux,
- lack of a heat balance on the tower.
- lack of temperature profile movement with increased reflux and
- a strong reduction in tray efficiency with increased reflux rate

A Gamma Scan of the tower was performed in November of 2005<sup>(2)</sup> which showed basically what appeared to be normal looking trays. Other than a slightly lower froth height on the second tray from the top (#89) and a higher froth on the top tray, the scan looked normal, see Figure 3.

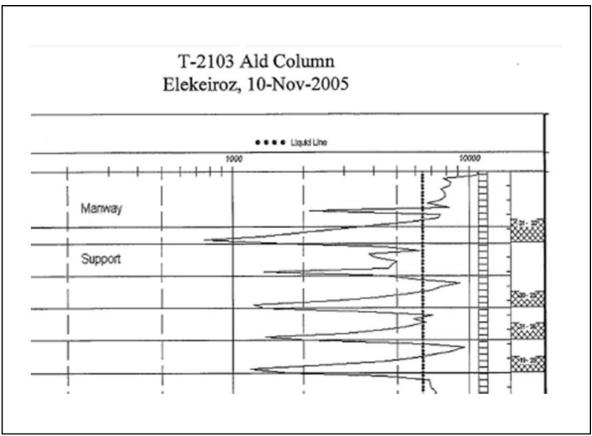


Figure 3 – Portion of Gamma Scan of Tower Top

In August 2006, Sulzer was thinking that with the large carryover in the top of the tower that the full reflux was not getting past the top few trays. This is basically "flooding" of the top tray but it was baffling that it was not affecting the whole tower. It was thought that there could have been several mechanisms that could result in a lack of liquid handling capacity on the top trays of such a tower. These were identified as:

- Massive Entrainment
- Entrainment from Downcomer Seal Pans
- Foaming
- Downcomer Restriction
- Spray Regime

Unfortunately, foaming was not seriously considered at the time to be the cause of the problem. It was thought that the Calming Section Trays (with side discharge of the downcomer liquid) were re-entraining their liquid. Therefore, in 2007 replacement VGPlus<sup>TM</sup> trays were provided that had MMVG<sup>TM</sup> valve units on the tray decks. The VGPlus trays were chosen primarily because Sulzer had recently revamped a larger but nearly identical Butyraldehyde tower in Taiwan the previous year and it was operating excellently. The tray efficiency of the Taiwan Tower was 70% based on Sulzer's UNIQUAC Liquid Activity Coefficient VLE model, see Figure 4.

The VGPlus trays needed side downcomers. The old bolting bars were removed when the Calming Section trays were installed. In addition, no welding to the vessel wall was allowed. The expansion rings for the Calming Section trays could be removed, but there was no place to hold the new side downcomers. It was felt that using envelope side downcomers was the only choice. However, extra capacity was deemed to be extremely important and the "wasted space" that normally exists behind envelope downcomers became extremely important. It was decided to employ "expansion downcomers" where the existing expansion rings were located, see Figure 5. With Sulzer's unique downcomer spout arrangement at the vessel wall, this was entirely possible.

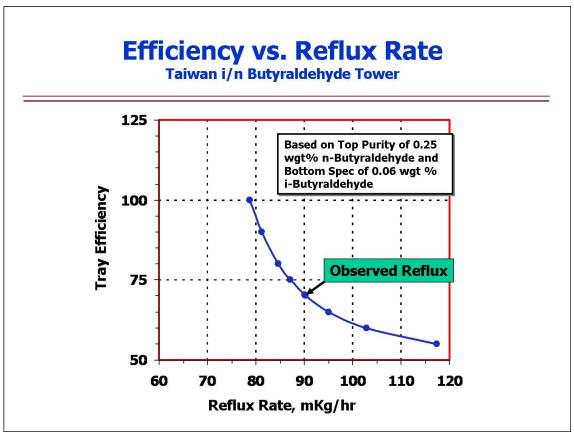


Figure 4 – Tray Efficiency determination of similar tower with but with VGPlus trays

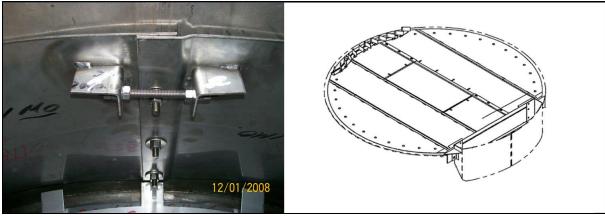


Figure 5 – Expansion Downcomers

The Tower was restarted in early 2008 and the tower showed marginal improvements. In early May 2008 another test run was performed on the new VGPlus trays. At this time with the new trays, all flooding alternatives were eliminated except foaming. One of the suspicions we had was Ross type<sup>(3,4)</sup> foam which is induced when there is an incipient second liquid phase. During the test run we visited the unit and looked at the spare (idle) reflux pump. In the line to the pump we found pure water in the drain line (low spot) which clearly tells us there is/was a second (water) phase present. While draining this water, the stream actually started to FOAM! The foam poured out on the ground but lasted only a few seconds. Two gamma scans of the upper part of the tower were conducted<sup>(5)</sup> and is shown in Figure 6. Other than a higher froth height on tray #90, the gamma scan does not clearly indicate foaming in the tower on the top trays.

It was recommended that the temperature of the reflux stream be increased to potentially enhance the solubility of water and get away from incipient second liquid phase type foaming. The temperature of the reflux was raised from 38°C to 52°C. Within hours the performance of the tower improved dramatically. Indications

from before the reflux temperature increase, showed that the tray efficiency was as low as 65%. After the reflux drum temperature was increased to 52°C a full set of operating data was taken. The resulting tray efficiency that was needed to match the tower's reflux rate was 71%. This was a dramatic increase in tray performance.

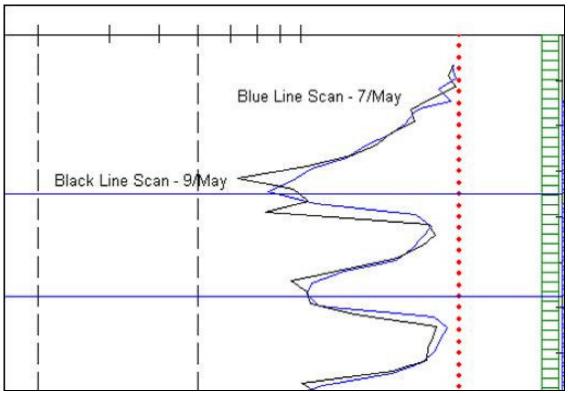


Figure 6 - Gamma Scans early May 2008

It was recommended in 2008 to add a "water boot" to the reflux drum to allow the water to accumulate and easily be removed. The theory is that when the water boot is added, the reflux temperature can be made as cold as possible to help remove as much water as possible from the system. In September 2011, the water boot was final added to the reflux drum with an interface controller. With the water boot in place, the heat exchangers cleaned out and the reflux temperature kept at 56°C, the tower was able achieve the original revamp specifications and capacity.

A performance test run was made on July 31, 2012. At a feed rate of 10.2 mT/hr and steady state, tray data were taken, see Table 1. This table format is based on a previous paper by one of the authors<sup>(1)</sup>. These data were then simulated with Sulzer's UNIQUAC Liquid Activity Coefficient VLE model and determined the tray efficiency to be 67%, see Figure 7. Tray hydraulics were examined and the tower is operating at 80% of Jet Flood, see Table 2. The tower was pushed the hardest right after the water boot was added. In November of 2011, the reflux rate was as high as 36,000 Kg/hr. At these conditions the tower internal loadings are higher than what was experienced in July 2012. The loading sheets for November 2011 are shown as Table 3. Here the tower is operating at 82% of Jet Flood, a downcomer velocity of 0.342 ft/s (0.109 m/s) and a weir loading of 6.6 gpm/inch (59 m³/m-hr).

#### Conclusions

Foaming is a difficult "beast" to identify and fix. Clearly, small amounts of water in a feed can build up with time in a tower when no method for removal is provided. A water "Boot" should always be provided on the bottom of the reflux drum when even the smallest amount of water is present and the water has the potential to form a low boiling azeotrope (along with a second liquid phase). Tray efficiency of the final trays was demonstrated to be within 5% of previous operations in identical service and the ultimate tray capacity achieved was as expected.

VGPlus trays ultimately proved their ability to achieve their expected tray capacity. The MMVG valve unit was successfully employed and expansion envelope downcomers proved their worth.

The perseverance demonstrated by Elekieroz and Sulzer to solve the problem over a number of years was admirable. This paper hopefully will help future distillation engineers identify similar problems earlier or prevent them in the first place.

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# TABLE 1 – Operating Data

## Aldehyde Purification Tower T-2103 Operating Data

Date: Tuesday, July 31, 2012

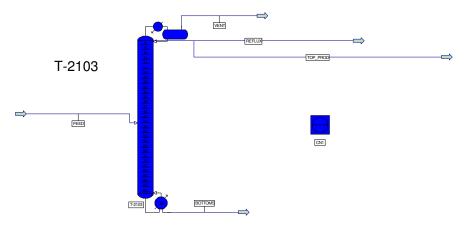
Time: Morning

| Description                | Measurement        | Tag No.        | Units       | Value   | _     |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|---------|-------|
|                            |                    |                |             |         |       |
| Feed From E-2118           | Liquid Flow        | FIC-2134       | tonnes/Hr   | 10.2    | ±0.2  |
|                            | Temperature        | Local at tower | ∞           | 62      |       |
|                            | Location           |                | Middle Feed |         |       |
| E-2122 Steam               | Flow               | FIC-2139E      | tonnes/Hr   | 4.3     | ±0.2  |
|                            | Chest Pressure     | PG 2153        | Kg/cm2(g)   | 3.96    |       |
| E-2122B Steam              | Flow               | FC-1108        | tonnes/Hr   | 2.7     | ±0.05 |
|                            | Chest Pressure     | PG 2153 B      | Kg/cm2(g)   | 3.96    |       |
| Tower                      | Top Temperature    | TR 28-8        | ∞           | 64.5    |       |
|                            | Top Pressure       | PC-2130        | Kg/cm2(g)   | 0.08    | ±0.02 |
|                            | Bottom Temperature | TR-28-5E       | ∞           | 89.75   |       |
|                            | Bottom Pressure    | PG-2152        | Kg/cm2(g)   | 0.75    |       |
|                            | Delta-P            |                | Kg/cm2      | 0.68    | ±0.02 |
| Reflux                     | Temperature        | TI-2416        | ∞           | 42      | ±0.5  |
|                            | Temperature        | Local at tower | ∞           | 41      |       |
|                            | Flow               | FIC-2138       | tonnes/Hr   | 32.5    | ±0.4  |
| Vent                       | Flow               |                |             | Unknown |       |
| i-Butyraldehyde Product    | Flow               | FR-2140        | tonnes/Hr   | 1.5     | ±0.8  |
|                            | Temperature        | TI-2416        | ∞           | 42      |       |
|                            | Composition        | Analyzer?      | wgt%        | 0.18    |       |
| n-Butyraldehyde<br>Product | Flow               | FIC-2141       | tonnes/Hr   | 8.5     | ±0.5  |
|                            | Temperature        | TR-28-5E       | ∞           | 89.75   |       |
|                            | Composition        | Analyzer?      | wgt%        | 0.1     |       |

# Figure 7

31 July 2012 Operation

| Column Name          |            | T-2103     |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Column Description   |            | ALD Column |
| Condenser Duty       | MM KCAL/HR | -4.2       |
| Reboiler Duty        | MM KCAL/HR | 4.3        |
| Column Tray Eff Fact |            | 0.671      |
| Reflux Ratio         |            | 17.80      |
| Column Reflux Rate   | KG-MOL/HR  | 491.5      |



| Stream Name<br>Stream Description   |           | FEED<br>Feed Stream  | BOTTOMS<br>Bottoms  | VENT<br>Distillate  | TOP_PROD   | REFLUX  |
|---|-----------|--|---|---|--|---|
| Phase   |           | Liquid   | Liquid  | Vapor   | Liquid   | Liquid  |
| Temperature   | C         | 65.000   | 92.632  | 41.200  | 41.200   | 41.200  |
| Pressure  | KG/CM2G   | 2.000  | 0.740   | 0.080   | 0.080  | 0.080   |
| Flowrate  | KG-MOL/HR | 143.951  | 116.332   | 0.916   | 26.704   | 491.500   |
| Total Mass Rate   | KG/HR     | 10200.000  | 8391.639  | 48.030  | 1760.330   | 32400.051   |
| Total Mass Rate  Total Weight Comp. Percents CO CO2 METHANE PROPYLENE PROPANE CYCLOPROPANE H2O METHANOL ISOPROPYL_ALC i-Butyraldehyde n-Butyraldehyde iSOBUTYL_ALC n-BUTYL_ALC pentanol i-Butyric Acid TOLUENE n-Butyric Acid TOLUENE n-Butyric Acid TOLUENE n-Butyric Acid TOLUENE n-Butyric Acid TOLUENE N-BUTYL_ALC DOLUENE N-BUTYL_ALC VCQ METHANE PROPYLENE PROPYLENE PROPANE CYCLOPROPANE H2O METHANOL ISOPROPYL_ALC i-Butyric Acid ISOPROPYL_ALC ISOPROPYL | KG/HR     | 0.0000 0.0800 0.0800 0.0800 0.2600 0.4700 0.0000 0.4200 0.0000 0.65500 82.05500 0.0200 0.0100 0.0000 0.14400 0.0000 0.14400 0.0000 0.1288 0.0000 0.4378 0.75552 0.0000 1.6520 0.0000 0.16520 0.0000 0.4378 | 0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.1000<br>99.6934<br>0.0243<br>0.0122<br>0.0000<br>0.1702<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000<br>0.0000 | 48.030  0.0000 10.9529 0.0000 14.7592 22.9565 0.0000 0.0000 49.4952 0.0491 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 13.0540 0.0000 13.0540 0.0000 13.3969 27.3064 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 36.0037 | 0.0000 0.1647 0.0000 1.1038 2.0970 0.0000 0.0000 94.0696 0.1800 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 1.7292 3.1348 0.0000 0.7292 3.1348 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 | 32400.051  0.0000 0.1647 0.0000 1.1038 2.0970 0.0000 0.0000 94.0696 0.1800 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 1.7292 3.1348 0.0000 1.7292 3.1348 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.7268 |
| n-Butyraldehyde   |           | 80.6269  | 99.7313   | 0.0357  | 0.1646   | 0.1646  |
| ISOBUTYL_ALC  |           | 0.0191   | 0.0237  | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000  |
| n-BUTYL_ALC   |           | 0.0096   | 0.0118  | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000  |
| Pentanol  |           | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000  |
| i-Butyric Acid  |           | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000  |
| TOLUENE   |           | 0.1077   | 0.1332  | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000  |
| n-Butyric Acid  |           | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000  |

## Table 2

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Reference:

Elekeiroz

Customer: Service:

i/n Butyraldehyde Tower

Item: T-2103

Date Run: 5-Aug-2012

| TRAY | DESI | GN S | ection | 1 |
|------|------|------|--------|---|

Geometry: #46-90 VGPlus Tray

| Deck Type:<br>Number of Passes:<br>Inner Diameter [mm]:<br>Tray Spacing [mm]:   | MMVG<br>1<br>1900<br>450 | Mater<br>Tower<br>Active                               | Thickness [mm]: ial: r Area [m²]: e Area [m²]: e Area [%]: | 2.00<br>316 L<br>2.84<br>2.608<br>91.98 | Valve Density [1/m²]:<br>Valve Lift [mm]:<br>Valves:<br>Open Area [m²]:<br>Open Area [%]: | 628.9<br>6.0<br>1640<br>0.392<br>15.05 |
|---|--------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| Downcomer Dimensional Type: TRUNCATED Top Width [mm]: Bottom Width [mm]: Clearance Height [mm]: Outlet Weir Height [mm]: Outlet Weir Length [mm]: Downcomer Spout Area [n |                          | Side<br>230.00<br>120.00<br>100<br>38<br>1240<br>0.032 | 0  |   |   |  |
| Downcomer Calculated C<br>Downcomer Top Area [m²]<br>Downcomer Bottom Area [  | :                        | 0.20<br>0.07   | Downcom<br>Downcom   | er Area [m²]:<br>er Area [%]: 6.8       | 0.20<br>8   |  |
| Fluid Data: TOP  Gas: Flow Multiplier [%]: Mult. Gas Rate [kg/h]: Density [kg/m³]: Viscosity [cP]: QV [m³/s]: Liquid:   | 1<br>3<br>2<br>0         | op<br>00<br>34208.0<br>2.583<br>0.0084<br>8.68         | A_Feed  100 40707.0 3.469 0.0087 3.26                      |   |   |  |
| Flow Multiplier [%]: Mult. Liquid Rate [kg/h]: Density [kg/m³]: Surface Tension [mN/m]: Viscosity [cP]: QL [m³/h]:  | 3<br>7<br>2<br>0<br>4    | 00<br>84160.0<br>753.63<br>22.06<br>0.398              | 100<br>38899.0<br>727.76<br>16.82<br>0.237<br>53.45        |   |   |  |

Number of trays: 45

Downcomer Flood [%]:
Downcomer Froth Backup [%]:
Downcomer Clear Liquid [mm]:

Weir Loading [m³/mh]: DryDrop [mmH2O]:

Pressure Drop [mbar]:

System Factor:

Hydraulic Data Jet Flood [%]:

Design Notes: July 31 Operation Engineer Name: DRSummers

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# Table 2 Cont'd



Reference:

Elekeiroz

Customer:

i/n Butyraldehyde Tower T-2103 Service:

Item: Date Run: 5-Aug-2012

| TDAV | DEGI | CNI | Section | 2 |
|------|------|-----|---------|---|

| TRAY DESIGN Section 2  | 2                                |  |  |   |   |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| Geometry: #1-45 VGPlus<br>Deck Type:<br>Number of Passes:<br>Inner Diameter [mm]:<br>Tray Spacing [mm]:  | Tray<br>MMVG<br>1<br>1900<br>400 | Mater<br>Tower<br>Active   | Thickness [mm]: ial: Area [m²]: Area [m²]: Area [%]:                             | 2.00<br>316 L<br>2.84<br>2.598<br>91.64 | Valve Density [1/m²]:<br>Valve Lift [mm]:<br>Valves:<br>Open Area [m²]:<br>Open Area [%]: | 631.2<br>6.0<br>1640<br>0.392<br>15.10 |
| Downcomer Dimensional Type: TRUNCATED Top Width [mm]: Bottom Width [mm]: Clearance Height [mm]: Outlet Weir Height [mm]: Outlet Weir Length [mm]: Downcomer Spout Area [m  |                                  | Side<br>230.00<br>120.00<br>100<br>38<br>1240<br>0.041                           | 0  |   |   |  |
| Downcomer Calculated C<br>Downcomer Top Area [m²]<br>Downcomer Bottom Area [   | : •                              | 0.20<br>0.07   |  | er Area [m²]:<br>er Area [%]: 6.8       | 0.20<br>88  |  |
| Fluid Data: Bottom  Gas: Flow Multiplier [%]: Mult. Gas Rate [kg/h]: Density [kg/m³]: Viscosity [cP]: QV [m³/s]: Liquid: Flow Multiplier [%]: Mult. Liquid Rate [kg/h]: Density [kg/m³]: Surface Tension [mN/m]: Viscosity [cP]: QL [m³/h]: System Factor: |                                  | B_Feed  100 41755.0 3.495 0.0087 3.32  100 50147.0 727.67 16.82 0.237 68.91 1.00 | Bottom  100 42669.0 4.124 0.0089 2.87  100 51061.0 719.76 16.22 0.220 70.94 1.00 |   |   |  |
| Hydraulic Data Jet Flood [%]: Downcomer Flood [%]: Downcomer Froth Backup Downcomer Clear Liquid [r Weir Loading [m³/mh]: DryDrop [mmH2O]: Pressure Drop [mbar]:   | [%]:<br>nm]:                     | 80<br>57<br>59<br>109.15<br>55.60<br>26.06<br>5.10                               | 76<br>59<br>58<br>108.87<br>57.23<br>23.10<br>4.89                               |   |   |  |

Number of trays:

45

Design Notes: July 31 Operation

Engineer Name: DRSummers File: C:\DRS\JOBS\Elekeir....y 31 Operation.sult

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# Table 3

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Reference:

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Customer: Service:

i/n Butyraldehyde Tower

T-2103 Item: 27-Mar-2013 Date Run:

| TRAY DESIGN Section | on 1 |
|---------------------|------|
|---------------------|------|

| Geometry: #46-90 VGP | lus Tray |                      |       |                       |       |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| Deck Type:           | MMVG     | Tray Thickness [mm]: | 2.00  | Valve Density [1/m²]: | 629.0 |
| Number of Passes:    | 1        | Material:            | 316 L | Valve Lift [mm]:      | 6.0   |
| Inner Diameter [mm]: | 1900     | Tower Area [m²]:     | 2.84  | Valves:               | 1640  |
| Tray Spacing [mm]:   | 450      | Active Area [m²]:    | 2.607 | Open Area [m²]:       | 0.392 |
|                      |          | Active Area [%]:     | 91.96 | Open Area [%]:        | 15.05 |

#### **Downcomer Dimensional Data**

Type: TRUNCATED Side 230.00 Top Width [mm]: Bottom Width [mm]: 120.00 Clearance Height [mm]: 100 Outlet Weir Height [mm]: 38 Outlet Weir Length [mm]: 1240 Downcomer Spout Area [m²]: 0.0326

#### **Downcomer Calculated Output**

| Downcomer Top Area [m²]:    | 0.20 | Downcomer Area [m²]:     | 0.20 |
|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|
| Downcomer Bottom Area [m²]: | 0.07 | Downcomer Area [%]: 6.88 |      |

|                           | Тор     | A_Feed  |  |  |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|--|--|
| Gas:                      | •       |         |  |  |
| Flow Multiplier [%]:      | 100     | 100     |  |  |
| Mult. Gas Rate [kg/h]:    | 42049.0 | 41334.5 |  |  |
| Density [kg/m³]:          | 3.156   | 3.436   |  |  |
| Viscosity [cP]:           | 0.0085  | 0.0087  |  |  |
| QV [m³/s]:                | 3.7     | 3.34    |  |  |
| Liquid:                   |         |         |  |  |
| Flow Multiplier [%]:      | 100     | 100     |  |  |
| Mult. Liquid Rate [kg/h]: | 40044.6 | 39329.1 |  |  |
| Density [kg/m³]:          | 730.39  | 728.11  |  |  |
| Surface Tension [mN/m]:   | 15.10   | 16.82   |  |  |
| Viscosity [cP]:           | 0.278   | 0.239   |  |  |
| QL [m³/h]:                | 54.83   | 54.01   |  |  |
| System Factor:            | 1.00    | 1.00    |  |  |

| Jet F1000 [%]:               | //     | 12     |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Downcomer Flood [%]:         | 49     | 45     |
| Downcomer Froth Backup [%]:  | 48     | 45     |
| Downcomer Clear Liquid [mm]: | 106.09 | 101.96 |
| Weir Loading [m³/mh]:        | 44.23  | 43.58  |
| DryDrop [mmH2O]:             | 29.26  | 25.97  |
| Pressure Drop [mbar]:        | 5.11   | 4.84   |
|                              |        |        |

Number of trays: 45

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# Table 3 cont'd



Reference: Customer: Elekeiroz

Service: i/n Butyraldehyde Tower

Item: T-2103

Date Run: 27-Mar-2013

| TDAV | DEGI | CN | Section | 2 |
|------|------|----|---------|---|

| TRAY DESIGN Section 2  |                                  |  |  |   |   |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| Geometry: #1-45 VGPlus Deck Type: Number of Passes: Inner Diameter [mm]: Tray Spacing [mm]:  | Tray<br>MMVG<br>1<br>1900<br>400 | Materi<br>Tower<br>Active  | Thickness [mm]:<br>lal:<br>Area [m²]:<br>Area [m²]:<br>Area [%]:                 | 2.00<br>316 L<br>2.84<br>2.597<br>91.60 | Valve Density [1/m²]:<br>Valve Lift [mm]:<br>Valves:<br>Open Area [m²]:<br>Open Area [%]: | 631.5<br>6.0<br>1640<br>0.392<br>15.11 |
| Downcomer Dimensional I Type: TRUNCATED Top Width [mm]: Bottom Width [mm]: Clearance Height [mm]: Outlet Weir Height [mm]: Outlet Weir Length [mm]: Downcomer Spout Area [m²   |                                  | Side<br>230.00<br>120.00<br>100<br>38<br>1240<br>0.0430                    | 0  |   |   |  |
| Downcomer Calculated Ou<br>Downcomer Top Area [m²]:<br>Downcomer Bottom Area [m²]  | •                                | 0.20<br>0.07   |  | er Area [m²]:<br>er Area [%]: 6.88      | 0.20  |  |
| Fluid Data: Bottom   |                                  | D  | Dottom   |   |   |  |
| Gas: Flow Multiplier [%]: Mult. Gas Rate [kg/h]: Density [kg/m³]: Viscosity [cP]: QV [m³/s]: Liquid: Flow Multiplier [%]: Mult. Liquid Rate [kg/h]: Density [kg/m³]: Surface Tension [mN/m]: Viscosity [cP]: QL [m³/h]: System Factor: |                                  | B_Feed  100 42373.4 3.463 0.0087 3.4  100 51968.0 728.12 16.86 0.239 71.37 | Bottom  100 43196.8 3.954 0.0088 3.03  100 52791.4 721.66 16.41 0.223 73.15 1.00 |   |   |  |
| Hydraulic Data Jet Flood [%]: Downcomer Flood [%]: Downcomer Froth Backup [6]: Downcomer Clear Liquid [m] Weir Loading [m³/mh]: DryDrop [mmH2O]: Pressure Drop [mbar]:   | %]:<br>m]:                       | 82<br>60<br>61<br>111.49<br>57.58<br>27.13<br>5.22                         | 79<br>61<br>60<br>111.33<br>59.02<br>24.69<br>5.05                               |   |   |  |

Number of trays:

45

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