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Severn Trent Services Introduces the TETRA® SNAP T™ Underdrain Filter Block

Revolutionary design further enhances block stability during backwash procedures; new block features: additional passive interlocking, positive row spacing for improved backwashing distribution

FORT WASHINGTON, Pa. – December 12, 2006 – Severn Trent Services has introduced the TETRA® SNAP T™ Underdrain Filter Block (U.S. Patent Number 7,141,164), which features a revolutionary design incorporating interlocking blocks that promote additional robustness to the well-proven TETRA T block. This feature passively locks the position of the blocks within the underdrain. Water, wastewater and industrial filtration facilities typically have an underdrain system to support filter media and to separate the filter media from the bottom of the filter. In addition to providing support for the filter media, the underdrain system serves two primary purposes: to allow filtered water to pass through to the collection system and to start the distribution of backwash water and backwash air across the filter.

The TETRA SNAP T Block is equipped with a snap-locking mechanism, which enhances the current interlocking features of the TETRA T block by providing a passive interconnection between the rows of TETRA underdrain blocks. The TETRA SNAP T Block allows the weight of the entire floor to be used counteract the upward forces of the backwash. The ¼" opening between each block is maintained to allow backwash water into and filtered water out of the filter. Jacketed with high density polyethylene plastic for ease of installation, the blocks are corrosion resistant and are capable of supporting up to eight meters of media.

About Severn Trent Services

Severn Trent Services (www.severntrentservices.com), based in Fort Washington, Pa., is a leading supplier of water and wastewater treatment solutions. The company's broad range of products and services is concentrated around disinfection, instrumentation, and filtration technologies, contract operating services and state-of-the-art residential metering products and services. Our international management services business provides support in all aspects of water and wastewater utility operational development and business transformation. Severn Trent Services is a member of the Severn Trent Plc (London: SVT.L) group of companies. Severn Trent is a FTSE 100 company.

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