

CASE HISTORY

Complete decontamination of over 62,000 ppm H₂S in an SRU Sour Water Sump utilizing FQE® H₂S Scavenger decreases outage time by over 95% in large Texas petroleum refinery



Results Achieved

Complete elimination of hydrogen sulfide level

Over 95% reduction in outage time

No personnel exposure to hazardous materials

Chemicals Utilized



A large petroleum refinery in Texas used our hydrogen sulfide abatement product, FQE H₂S Scavenger, to decontaminate the sour water sump of the sulfur recovery unit (SRU).

The initial H_2S readings from the sour water sump exceeded 62,000 ppm (6.2%). A 10% FQE H_2S Scavenger mixture in water was prepared and added to a vacuum truck. The sump contents were vacuumed into the truck containing the FQE H_2S Scavenger. The truck contents were sampled five minutes later with the H_2S being reported at 0 ppm. A 10% solution of FQE H_2S Scavenger was added to the sour water sump to treat the solids within. The liquid was circulated for 10 minutes and then sampled. There was 0 ppm hydrogen sulfide detected in the sump solids. They were disposed in the plant without an H_3S release.

Typically, this process is conducted by the slow addition of a strong oxidizing liquid over a 2-3 day period of time, resulting in extra time and additional disposal considerations being required.



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