

## Supplementary Materials

**Table S1.** Investment and O&M cost parameters used in SETA for population interval Pop 3 ( $\geq 10\,000$  PE)

Unitary Processes	Investment cost (USD.PE <sup>-1</sup> )					O&M cost (USD.PE <sup>-1</sup> .yr. <sup>-1</sup> )			
	k	n	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
W1 Septic tank	-	-	-	-	-	0.42	3167.6	-	-
W2 Imhoff tank	-	-	-	-	-	0.42	3167.6	-	-
W3 Primary clarifier	1.164	1.01	-	-	-	0.42	3167.6	-	-
W4 UASB reactor	30	1	-	-	-	0.42	3167.6	-	-
W5 Trickling filter (low rate)	190.4	0.935	-	-	-	0.83	31676	-	-
W6 Trickling filter (medium-high rate)	46.53	1	-	-	-	6.2	33511	-	-
W7 Activated sludge reactor (extended aeration)	1.13E+29	-5.56	-	-	-	-	-	30.5	0.85
W8 Activated sludge reactor (conventional-high rate aeration)	46.53	1	-	-	-	7.87	31676	-	-
W9 Combined reactor for nitrification/denitrification	2584.1	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	30.5	0.85
W10 Anoxic + Aeration tank	2586	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	32	0.85
W11 Anaerobic pond	20	1	-	-	-	0.51	-	-	-
W12 Facultative pond	25	1	-	-	-	0.51	-	-	-
W13 Aerated pond	30	1	-	-	-	0.6	-	-	-
W14 Settling pond	7	1	-	-	-	0.17	-	-	-
W15 Anaerobic + Facultative pond	42.5	1	-	-	-	0.41	-	-	-
W16 Anaerobic + Aerated pond	45	1	-	-	-	0.54	-	-	-
W17 Facultative pond + Floating macrophytes	30	1	-	-	-	1.25	-	-	-
W18 Constructed wetland	-	-	5.00E-06	-0.3	24939	1.25	-	-	-
W19 Secondary clarifier	-	-	1.50E-04	8	7622	-	-	-	-
W20 Fine/Micro Stepscreen + chlorine disinfection	0.06	1	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-
W21 Maturation pond	-	-	5.00E-04	35.8	4238	0.05	-	-	-
W22 Soil infiltration	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-
WS1 Gravity sludge thickener	-	-	2.70E-04	0.7	14662	0.1	-	-	-
WS2 Chemical sludge stabilization	0.552	1	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-
WS3 Mechanical dewatering	-	-	1.30E-03	-	78989	0.15	-	-	-
WS4 Drying bed	-	-	1.50E-04	18	2853	0.08	-	-	-
FS1 Anaerobic pond/tank	-	-	2.00E-07	0.6	30000	-	-	0.05	0.4
FS2 Underground sludge reception tank	-	-	-7.00E-07	0.8	47635	-	-	0.1	0.4

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	k	n	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
FS3 Drying bed	-	-	3.00E-07	2.6	12391	-	-	0.05	0.4
FS4 Sludge composting hangar	-	-	1.00E-07	1.3	26212	-	-	0.1	0.4
FS5 Chemical sludge stabilization	1.75E+05	0	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.4
FS6 Gravity thickener + mechanical dewatering	13866	0.39	-	-	-	0.07	-	-	-
FR1 Anaerobic pond	-	-	2.00E-07	0.6	30000	-	-	0.02	0.4
FR2 Constructed wetland	-	-	3.00E-06	-0.3	85000	-	-	0.01	0.4

**Table S2.** Unit area per treatment process and GHG emission/credit parameters used in SETA

Unitary Processes	Area (m <sup>2</sup> /inhab)	GHG Emission debit					GHG Emission credit		
		Pop1 - Pop3	Sc.1: CO <sub>2</sub>	Sc. 1: CH <sub>4</sub>	Sc. 1: N <sub>2</sub> O	Sc. 2	Sc. 3	Sc. 1 & 3	Sc. 2
W1 Septic tank	0.02		0	2	1	0	0	0	0
W2 Imhoff tank	0.02		0	2	1	0	0	0	0
W3 Primary clarifier	0.02		0	2	1	0	0	0	0
W4 UASB reactor	0.12		0	2	1	0	0	0	0
W5 Trickling filter (low rate)	0.05		0	1	1	2	2	0	0
W6 Trickling filter (medium-high rate)	0.05		0	1	1	2	2	0	0
W7 Activated sludge reactor (extended aeration)	0.12		0	1	1	2	1	0	0
W8 Activated sludge reactor (conventional-high rate aeration)	0.12		0	1	1	2	1	0	0
W9 Combined reactor for nitrification/denitrification	0.15		0	1	1	2	1	0	0
W10 Anoxic + Aeration tank	0.13		0	1	1	2	1	0	0
W11 Anaerobic pond	0.13		0	1	1	0	0	0	0
W12 Facultative pond	1.50 - 0.90		0	1	1	2	0	0	0
W13 Aerated pond	1.50 - 0.90		0	1	1	2	0	0	0
W14 Settling pond	0.05		0	1	1	0	0	0	0
W15 Anaerobic + Facultative pond	0.88 - 0.55		0	1	1	2	0	0	0
W16 Anaerobic + Aerated pond	0.88 - 0.55		0	1	1	2	0	0	0
W17 Facultative pond + Floating macrophytes	1.50 - 0.90		0	1	1	1	1	0	0
W18 Constructed wetland	0.63		0	1	1	1	1	2	0
W19 Secondary clarifier	0.03								
W20 Fine/Micro Stepscreen + chlorine disinfection	< 0.01		0	0	0	1	0	2	2
W21 Maturation pond	0.63 - 0.13		0	1	1	1	1	2	3
W22 Soil infiltration	0.01		0	1	2	0	0	0	0

*(included in aeration process)*

Unitary Processes	Area (m <sup>2</sup> /inhab)	GHG Emission debit					GHG Emission credit	
	Pop1 - Pop3	Sc.1: CO <sub>2</sub>	Sc. 1: CH <sub>4</sub>	Sc. 1: N <sub>2</sub> O	Sc. 2	Sc. 3	Sc. 1 & 3	Sc. 2
WS1 Gravity sludge thickener	0.01	0	2	1	1	1	0	0
WS2 Chemical sludge stabilization	0.01	1	1	1	2	2	0	0
WS3 Mechanical dewatering	< 0.01	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
WS4 Drying bed	0.04	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
FS1 Anaerobic pond/tank	0.06-0.03	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
FS2 Underground sludge reception tank	0.01 - 0.002	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
FS3 Drying bed	0.04 - 0.01	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
FS4 Sludge composting hangar	0.02 - 0.01	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
FS5 Chemical sludge stabilization	< 0.01	2	1	1	2	2	0	0
FS6 Gravity thickener + mechanical dewatering	< 0.01	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
FR1 Anaerobic pond	0.06 - 0.03	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
FR2 Constructed wetland	0.02 - 0.05	0	1	1	1	1	2	0

**Table S3.** Overall TA performance for A1 GHG emission/credit parameters

Individual UP GHG score	Overall solution (TA) score	Description
0	7-12	(N) Processes with negligible GHG emissions
1	13-18	(O) Processes with minor GHG emissions
2	19-24	(+) Emissions/Credits with minor to medium significance
3	25-30	(++) Significant emissions/credits

**Table S4.** Energy consumption per unit operation used in SETA

Unitary Processes	Energy use (kWh/m <sup>3</sup> )		
	Pop1	Pop2	Pop3
W1 Septic tank	0.00	0.00	0.00
W2 Imhoff tank	0.00	0.00	0.00
W3 Primary clarifier	0.00	0.07	0.07
W4 UASB reactor	0.07	0.07	0.07
W5 Trickling filter (low rate)	1.83	0.42	0.42
W6 Trickling filter (medium-high rate)	1.46	0.34	0.34
W7 Activated sludge reactor (extended aeration)	1.90	1.06	1.06

W8 Activated sludge reactor (conventional-high rate aeration)	1.50	0.69	0.69
W9 Combined reactor for nitrification/denitrification	1.90	1.06	1.06
W10 Anoxic + Aeration tank	1.90	1.06	1.06
W11 Anaerobic pond	0.00	0.00	0.00
W12 Facultative pond	0.59	0.13	0.13
W13 Aerated pond	1.17	0.27	0.27
W14 Settling pond	0.00	0.00	0.00
W15 Anaerobic + Facultative pond	0.29	0.07	0.07
W16 Anaerobic + Aerated pond	0.59	0.13	0.13
W17 Facultative pond + Floating macrophytes	0.29	0.13	0.13
W18 Constructed wetland	0.00	0.00	0.00
W19 Secondary clarifier	0.22	0.15	0.15
W20 Fine/Micro Stepscreen + chlorine disinfection	0.10	0.06	0.06
W21 Maturation pond	0.00	0.00	0.00
W22 Soil infiltration	0.00	0.00	0.00
WS1 Gravity sludge thickener	0.09	0.06	0.06
WS2 Chemical sludge stabilization	0.04	0.03	0.03
WS3 Mechanical dewatering	0.09	0.06	0.06
WS4 Drying bed	0.00	0.00	0.00
FS1 Anaerobic pond/tank	0.45	0.29	0.29
FS2 Underground sludge reception tank	0.45	0.29	0.29
FS3 Drying bed	0.00	0.00	0.00
FS4 Sludge composting hangar	0.00	0.00	0.00
FS5 Chemical sludge stabilization	0.00	0.00	0.00
FS6 Gravity thickener + mechanical dewatering	0.09	0.06	0.03
FR1 Anaerobic pond	0.00	0.00	0.00
FR2 Constructed wetland	0.00	0.00	0.00