

## TREATMENT PLANT APPROVAL 15/2019 – Amendment 2

### Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018

1. The Advanced Enviro-septic (AES) (“the System”) described in the Specifications and Drawings in the attached Schedule and manufactured by Presby Environmental Inc. Whitefield, New Hampshire (“the manufacturer”) and supplied by Chankar Environmental Pty Ltd (ACN 148 175 455) (“the supplier”) was approved in Queensland and subsequently issued with a Treatment Plant Approval 15/2019 Amendment 1, under the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018 (PDA)*. This approval continues in force until 01 January 2024.
2. The delegate for the Chief Executive advised on 20 January 2023 that a number of amendments to Treatment Plant Approval 15/2019 Amendment 1 are approved, with the amended Treatment Plant Approval referred to as “Treatment Plant Approval 15/2019 Amendment 2”.
3. The following information is included below:
  - (a) The changes approved by the delegate for the Chief Executive on 20 January 2023;
  - (b) A full copy of TPA 15/2019 Amendment 2, which incorporates the changes; and
  - (c) A copy of the superseded TPA 15/2019 Amendment 1.

#### *Changes approved on 20 January 2023:*

4. Condition 12 of the current approval states: - *‘A septic tank conforming to AS/NZ 1546.1 and sized in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 for the influent hydraulic load from the dwelling is a pre-requisite. Waste from the septic tank is to be diverted to the AES piping system prior to the system sand and basal area. The septic tank that feeds into the system must be regularly monitored and maintained (including de-sludging) in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 to ensure optimum operation of the system.’*
  - a) Condition 12 (now Condition 10 of Treatment Plant Approval 15/2019 – Amendment 2), is amended to state:

*‘A septic tank conforming to AS/NZ 1546.1 and sized in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 for treatment of all daily flows of domestic wastewater from the premises is a component of the system. Effluent from the septic tank is to be diverted to the AES piping system prior to the system sand and basal area. The septic tank that feeds into the system must be regularly monitored and maintained (including de-sludging) in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 to ensure optimum operation of the system.*

*Where gravity cannot be achieved to transfer effluent from septic tank to the AES treatment pipes, a pump well is to be used and sized as per AS/NZS1547:2012 and maintain at least 24-hour emergency storage volume above the high-water level alarm sensor.*

*The pump is to be a submersible type with high level alarm as specified in both AS1546.3:2017 and AS/NZS1547:2012. The pump shall be a Davey D25VA or equivalent with a design flow of 40 L/min at a minimum 6m head. Should site conditions require higher head, then the appropriate pump model to achieve this shall be selected.*

*In each situation the design of the AES system must conform with the manufacturers design recommendations set out in the AES Calculator & Design and Installation Manual.’*

- b) A new Condition 22 is included, which is as follows:

'Where there is any inconsistency between the content of this approval and the Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018 (including any associated regulation and/or codes), the provisions of the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018* will apply and must be adhered to.'

- c) The Schedule is replaced, which is now referred to as "Amendment 2 – Attachment 1" of Treatment Plant Approval 15/2019 – Amendment 2.
- d) A copy of Treatment Plant Approval 15/2019 – Amendment 1 is included as "Amendment 2 – Attachment 2" of Treatment Plant Approval 15/2019 – Amendment 2.



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**TREATMENT PLANT APPROVAL 15/2019**  
*Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018*  
**Amendment No.2**

**Approval**

1. The Advanced Enviro-septic (AES) ("the System") described in the Specifications and Drawings in the attached Schedule and manufactured by Presby Environmental Inc. Whitefield, New Hampshire ("the manufacturer") and supplied by Chankar Environmental Pty Ltd (ACN 148 175 455) ("the supplier") has been assessed in accordance with the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code (QPW Code) dated 15th January 2013.
2. Approval is granted for an advanced secondary quality wastewater treatment system, subject to compliance by the manufacturer/supplier with the requirements of the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018* and the conditions of approval detailed below.
3. This approval, the conditions of approval and the Schedule comprise the entire Treatment Plant Approval document.
4. Any modification by the manufacturer/supplier to the design, drawings or specifications scheduled to this approval must be approved by the Chief Executive.

**Conditions of approval**

5. The manufacture, installation, operation, service and maintenance of the systems must be in conformity with the conditions of this Treatment Plant Approval.
6. The advanced secondary quality wastewater treatment system, which is an example of the approved systems, may only be used on premises that generate per day:
  - a) a maximum hydraulic loading of 90L / 3 metre length of AES piping system
  - b) a maximum organic loading of 240mg/L BOD<sub>5</sub>
  - c) a maximum total suspended solids of 300mg/L.
7. The system must continue to meet the requirements of advanced secondary quality wastewater treatment system, producing the following effluent quality —
  - a) 90% of the samples taken must have a BOD<sub>5</sub> less than or equal to 10 g/m<sup>3</sup> with no sample greater than 20 g/m<sup>3</sup>.
  - b) 90% of the samples taken must have total suspended solids less than or equal to 10g/m<sup>3</sup> with no sample greater than 20g/m<sup>3</sup>.
8. Each system must be serviced in accordance with the details supplied in the owner's operation and maintenance manual.
9. The system design is based upon secondary quality effluent design loading rate as defined in AS/NZ1547 using the AES Design Calculator prepared by a qualified designer. System designs must be verified and signed by the supplier before being submitted to the Local Government.
10. A septic tank conforming to AS/NZ 1546.1 and sized in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 for treatment of all daily flows of domestic wastewater from the premises is a component of the system. Effluent from the septic tank is to be diverted to the AES piping system prior to the system sand and basal area. The septic tank that feeds into the system must be regularly monitored and maintained (including de-sludging) in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 to ensure optimum operation of the system.

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In each situation the design of the AES system must conform with the manufacturers design recommendations set out in the AES Calculator & Design and Installation Manual.

11. When granting a compliance permit, the local government must satisfy itself that the designer's choice of the system configuration is optimal for the proposed use and site conditions and that the effluent can be retained within the land application area.
12. Each application for a compliance permit to install a system must also be accompanied by a copy of a completed Advanced Enviro-Septic Design Calculator Report endorsed by the supplier, showing the footprint/basal area of the proposed system and number of pipe modules for the site.
13. An inspection/sampling point must be installed permanently in the sand immediately below the half-way point of the AES piping system. Where a system is installed in a sloping basal area an additional inspection/sampling point must be installed at the lowest point of the system extension.
14. Routine maintenance of the system at set intervals, other than septic tank sludge levels, is not stipulated by the manufacturer/supplier. However, routine monitoring may be required by the Local Government. In the event of failure of the system's land application area an AES authorised person may need to follow the rejuvenation procedures set out in the manufacturer/supplier's Design and Installation Manual.
15. Where a system installed at a site, has been found not to operate satisfactorily during its service life, and as a result requires modification to achieve the required performance requirements, in particular, water quality limits, the installed system is to be modified accordingly. Any modifications including any of the supplier's rejuvenation procedure outcomes must be recorded on the service report.
16. Permitted use of the effluent is for sub-surface absorption only.
17. Each system must be supplied with —
  - (a) a copy of this Treatment Plant Approval document;
  - (b) details of the system;
  - (c) instructions for authorised persons for its installation;
  - (d) a copy of the owner's manual to be given to the owner at the time of installation; and
  - (e) detailed instructions for authorised service personal for its operation and maintenance.



18. At each anniversary of the Treatment Plant Approval date, the supplier must submit to the Chief Executive a list of all systems installed in Queensland during the previous 12 months. Where the Chief Executive is notified of any system failures the Chief Executive may randomly select a number of installed systems for audit. The Chief Executive will notify the supplier's nominated NATA accredited laboratory which systems are to be audited for BOD5 and TSS. The sampling and testing of the selected systems, if required, is to be done at the supplier's expense. The following results must be reported to the Chief Executive;

- a) Address of premises;
- b) Date inspected and sampled;
- c) Sample identification number;
- d) BOD5 for influent and effluent; and
- e) TSS for influent and effluent.

19. The Chief Executive may, by written notice, cancel this approval if the manufacturer/supplier fails —

- a) to comply with one or more of the conditions of approval; or
- b) within 30 days, to remedy a breach, for which a written notice been given by the Chief Executive.

20. This approval may only be assigned with the prior written consent of the Chief Executive.

21. This approval expires on 1 January 2024 unless cancelled earlier in accordance with paragraph 21 above.

22. Where there is any inconsistency between the content of this approval and the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018* (including any associated regulation and/or codes), the provisions of the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018* will apply and must be adhered to.



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**SCHEDULE**

**Amendment 2 - Attachment 1**

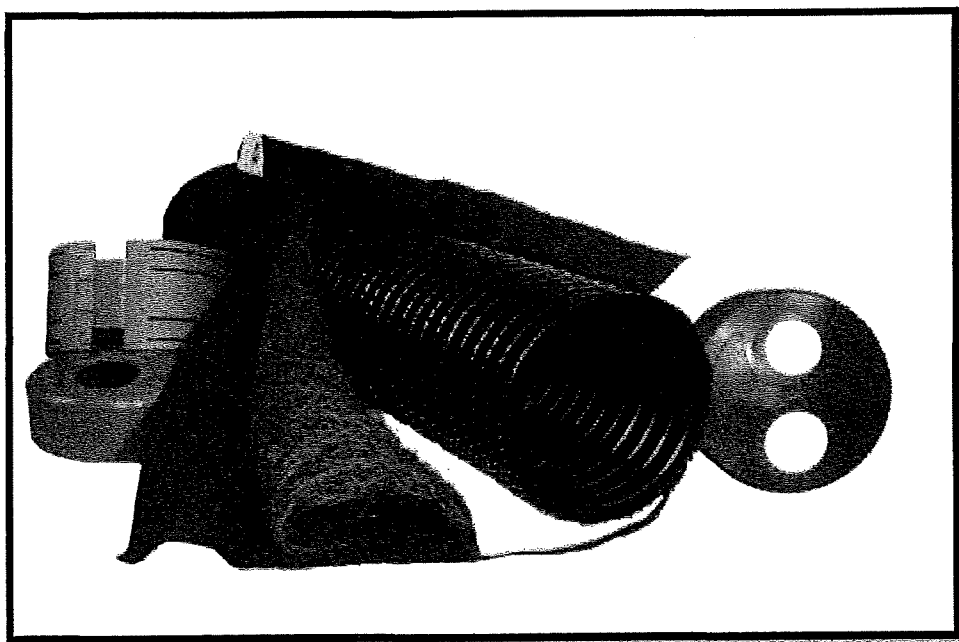
Specifications, Drawings and Sample AES Design Calculator Report for the

**Advanced Enviro-Septic (AES)**

## APPLICATION FOR PRODUCT ACCREDITATION (Onsite Wastewater Treatment System)

### **ADVANCED ENVIRO-SEPTIC (AES) SYSTEM COMPONENTS**

Advanced Enviro-Septic™ is an effective, passive onsite wastewater treatment system for residential, commercial and community use. Each AES unit is a 3 meter long engineered pipe with outer layers of randomly placed fibres, bio accelerator and non-woven geotextile fabric. The geotextile fabric is sewn together to hold the pipe, fibres and the bio accelerator for easy handling.



Main components of AES system include;

1. AES Pipe unit (3 meter long pipe) – incorporates corrugation, perforated holes and internal skimmer taps
2. AES Couplings – patented connector to join the AES pipe units as per the design requirements.
3. AES Offset Adaptor – 308mm diameter cap that has 1 x 92mm pre cut hole 9 (open to suit 100mm PVC pipe). This 92mm hole is for connection to the septic tank outlet and for raised connection between rows of AES pipes. Required number of offset adaptor depends on the design requirements.
4. Oxygen Demand Vent – 100mm vent cowl with mosquito proof screen.

Specifications of AES Components

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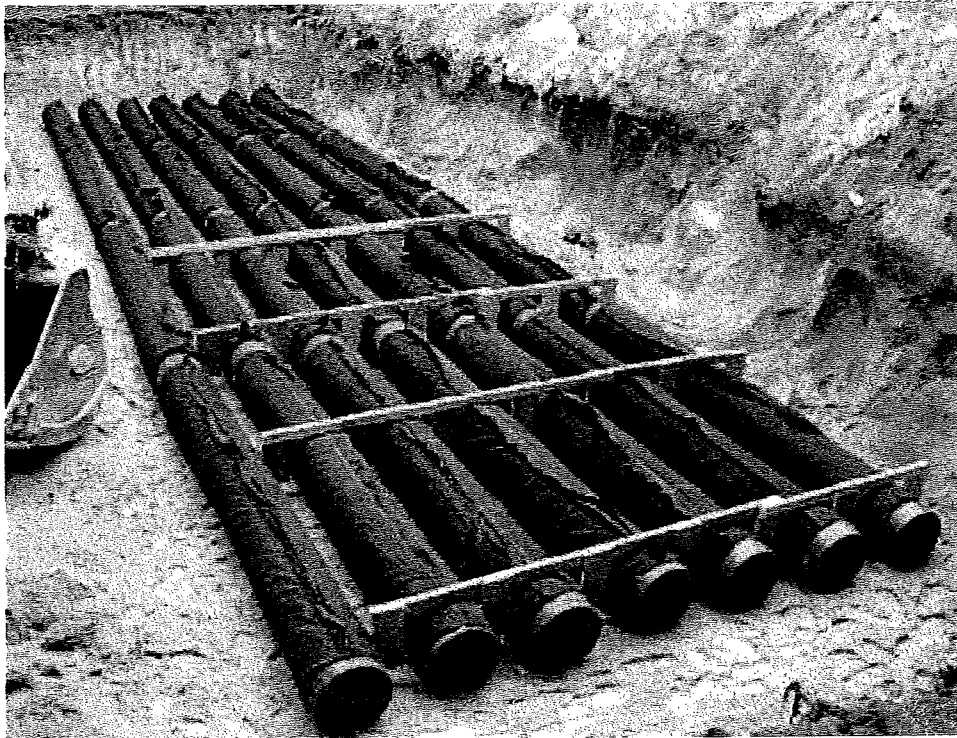


Photo shows AES pipes, offset adaptor and couplings. Photo also shows the wooden guide plates that used as a spacing aid. Guide plates were removed prior to back filling.

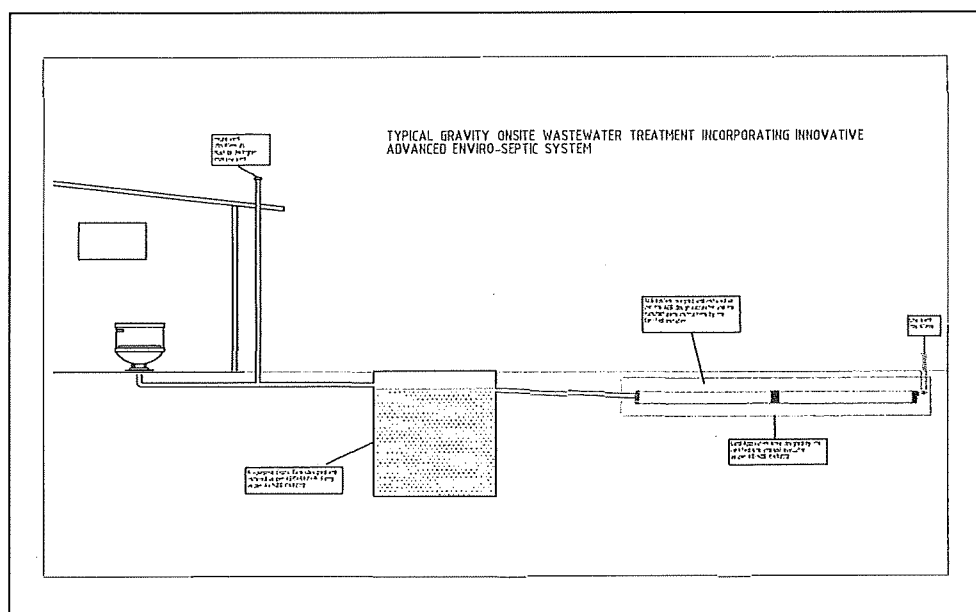
**A Typical AES system 2 months after being installed**



## **ON-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM USING ADVANCED ENVIRO-SEPTIC TECHNOLOGY**

A typical gravity on-site wastewater treatment system using Advanced Enviro-Septic technology has the following components in its treatment chain.

1. All Purpose Septic Tank
2. Advanced Enviro-Septic system
3. Land application area



### **All Purpose Septic Tank**

All purpose septic tank is a mandatory requirement of any on-site wastewater treatment system using Advanced Enviro-Technology. All purpose septic tank is to be located up-stream of the Advanced Enviro-Septic system and the Land Application Area. The main purpose of the septic tank is to collect raw wastewater (both black and grey water) from the premises and to provide a primary treatment prior to secondary treatment and disposal by AES system. During the primary treatment process the sludge and the scum is separated and the primary treatment has occurred as an anaerobic process. Primary treated effluent from septic tank typically contains BOD of 120-240 mg/L and TSS of 65-180 mg/L.

Septic tank sizing and the location is calculated and specified by the certified wastewater system designer in accordance with AS/NZS 1547:2000 and any applicable regulations. Chankar Environmental do not supply all purpose tank and a suitable septic tank is usually sourced and supplied by the installer or the home owner. **However, Chankar Environmental recommend that the all purpose septic tank be designed and constructed to AS/NZS 1546.1:2008 and installed as per relevant regulations by a licensed plumber.**

Use of septic tank outlet filter is not recommended by the manufacturer of Advanced Enviro-Septic systems, Presby Environmental, due to risks associated with poorly maintained outlet filters restricting the airflow. However, septic tank outlet filter can be used if required by the local authority having jurisdiction. In this event, a high vent is required at the AES system to allow un-restricted airflow.

Use of a grease trap is not required for all purposed septic with baffled wall for a domestic installations. However, grease trap can be used if required by the local authority having jurisdiction. Appropriately sized grease trap is required for all commercial installations.

Septic tank is required to pump out and maintained as per the local authority's guidelines.

### **Advanced Enviro-septic System (AES)**

Advanced Enviro-Septic (AES) system is a passive wastewater treatment system that further treats and improves primary quality wastewater to the wastewater quality standard of BOD of less than 10mg/L and TSS of less than 10mg/L. AES system has been tested at Bureau de Normalisation du Quebec (BNQ) testing facility at Quebec, Canada to NSF 40 protocol for a period of six months (6/4/2008-8/10/2008). Test results have been certified by International Auditing Body such as NSF International (NSFI) (certificate no. 3U460-01) and BNQ (certificate no. 890). AES system is also tested at the On-site Effluent Testing Facility in New Zealand and achieved BOD of 2mg/L and TSS of 5mg/L, which meets the requirements of Advanced Secondary quality. In Australia, SAI Global has reviewed the test results and certificates against AS/NZS 1546.3:2008 and Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code.

Each 3m long AES pipe unit is tested with a hydraulic loading rate of 90 litres (30 litres per lineal metre). AES calculator developed by Chankar Environmental is the best tool to calculate system requirements and bill of materials.

Due to AES passive aerobic biological treatment process and its excellent ability to evenly distribute, treat and polish wastewater, AES can be scale up to treat different daily design loading.

For example, the system that has 900 litres daily design load will require a minimum of 10 AES unit (or) 30 lineal metre of AES pipes for treatment. ( $900/90=10$  AES unit)

AES units can be easily joined together by AES Couplings with AES offset adaptors on each end of the row. AES calculator calculates the required couplings, offset adaptors and oxygen demand vents requirements as per the configuration design nominated by the system designer. AES design and installation manual provides system design options for the designers and site evaluators.

The Enviro-Septic system works in two ways. First, it facilitates the treatment of water coming from the septic tank by eliminating the pollutants, so that the water comes clean. Then, the system allows the drainage of wastewater into the ground using an infiltration process. Therefore, by protecting the infiltration surface, Enviro-Septic protects the environment!

**AES System Organic Loading and Wastewater Parameters**

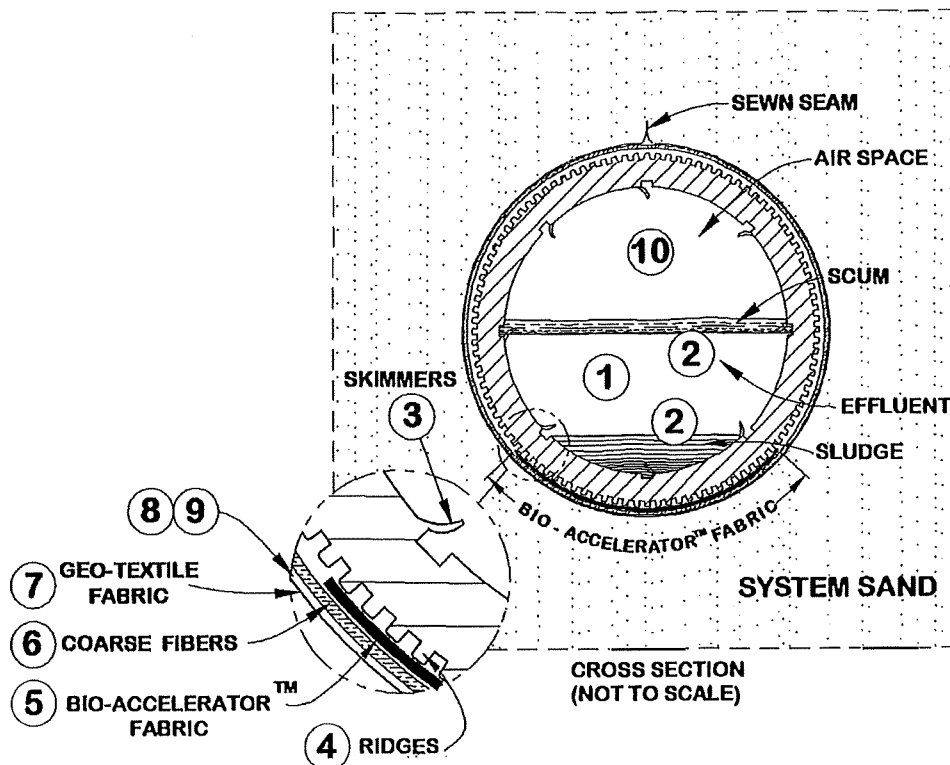
Model No.	AES-90L
<b>INFLUENT</b>	
Hydraulic Load	90 litres per 3 metre long unit
BOD <sub>5</sub>	160-300 mg/L
TSS	110-300 mg/L
FOG	50 mg/L (maximum)
PH	6-9
TEMP	5-30 degree celsius
<b>EFFLUENT</b>	
BOD <sub>5</sub>	≤ 10mg/L
TSS	≤ 10mg/L

\* Wastewater that enters the AES system must be Primary Treated.

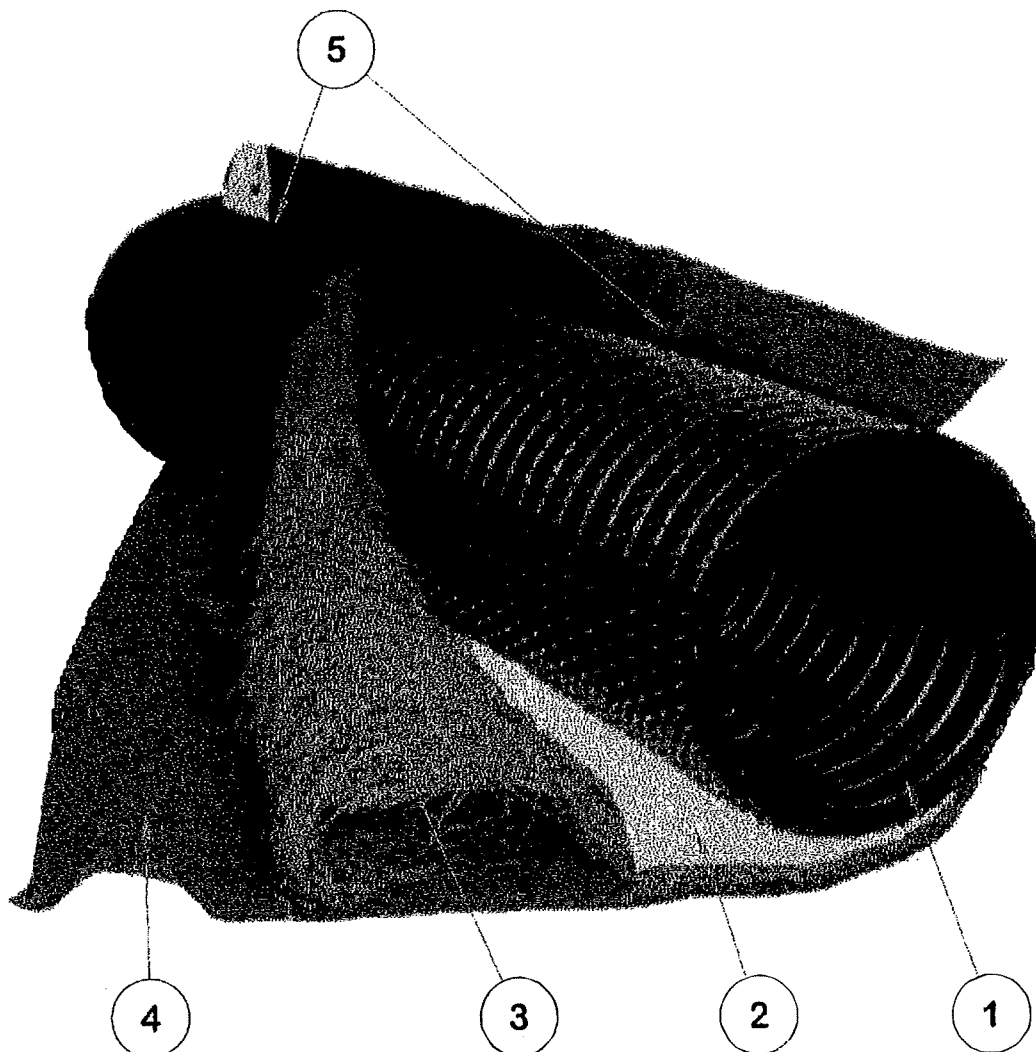


## ADVANCED ENVIRO-SEPTIC™ WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM

TEN STEPS OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT: ADVANCED ENVIRO-SEPTIC™ TREATS EFFLUENT MORE EFFICIENTLY TO PROVIDE LONGER SYSTEM LIFE AND TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

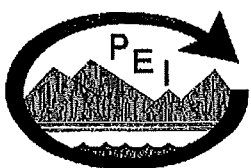


- STAGE 1: WARM EFFLUENT ENTERS THE PIPE AND IS COOLED TO GROUND TEMPERATURE.
- STAGE 2: SUSPENDED SOLIDS SEPARATE FROM THE COOLED LIQUID EFFLUENT.
- STAGE 3: SKIMMERS FURTHER CAPTURE GREASE AND SUSPENDED SOLIDS FROM THE EXITING EFFLUENT.
- STAGE 4: PIPE RIDGES ALLOW THE EFFLUENT TO FLOW UNINTERRUPTED AROUND THE CIRCUMFERENCE OF THE PIPE AND AID IN COOLING.
- STAGE 5: BIO-ACCELERATOR™ FABRIC SCREENS ADDITIONAL SOLIDS FROM THE EFFLUENT AND DEVELOPS A BIOMAT WHICH PROVIDES TREATMENT AND ENSURES ACCELERATED BIOMAT DEVELOPMENT.
- STAGE 6: A MAT OF COARSE RANDOM FIBERS SEPARATES MORE SUSPENDED SOLIDS FROM THE EFFLUENT.
- STAGE 7: EFFLUENT PASSES INTO THE GEO-TEXTILE FABRICS AND GROWS A PROTECTED BACTERIAL SURFACE.
- STAGE 8: SAND WICKS LIQUID FROM THE GEO-TEXTILE FABRICS AND ENABLES AIR TO TRANSFER TO THE BACTERIAL SURFACE.
- STAGE 9: THE FABRICS AND FIBERS PROVIDE A LARGE BACTERIAL SURFACE TO BREAK DOWN SOLIDS.
- STAGE 10: AN AMPLE AIR SUPPLY AND FLUCTUATING LIQUID LEVELS INCREASE BACTERIAL EFFICIENCY.



ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	PLASTIC PIPE
2	BIO-ACCELERATOR FABRIC (BOTTOM THIRD OF PIPE)
3	RANDOMLY ORIENTED PLASTIC FIBER
4	GEO-TEXTILE FABRIC
5	SEWN SEAM (ALWAYS ORIENTED UP)

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**ADVANCED ENVIRO-SEPTIC PIPE**

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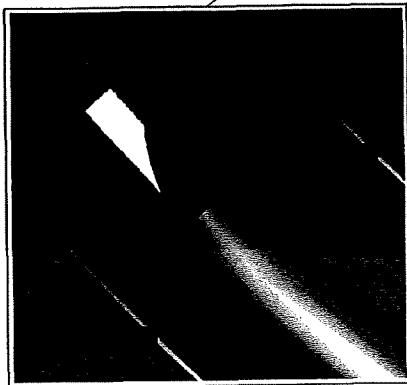
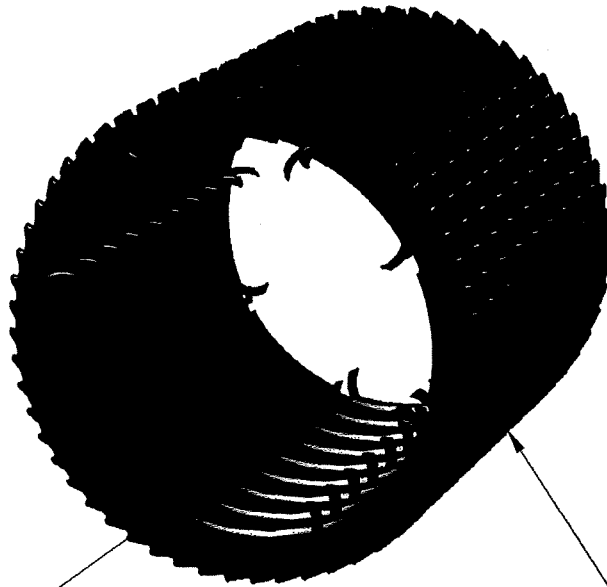
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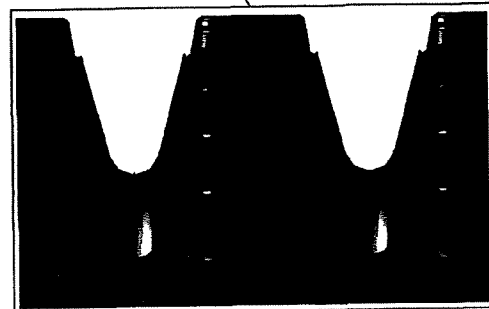
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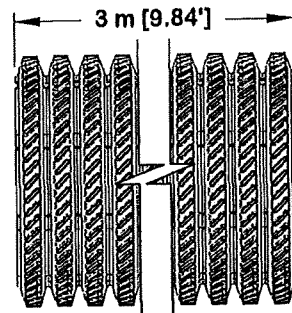
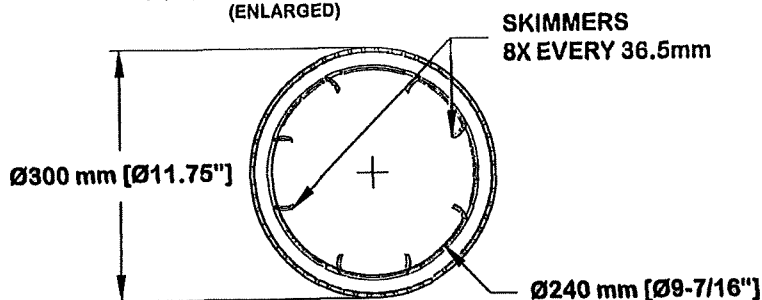
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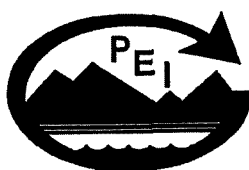


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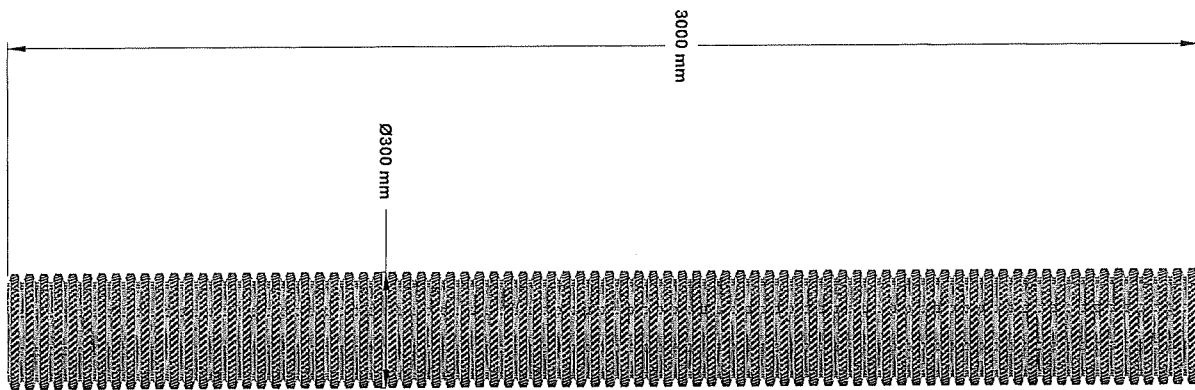
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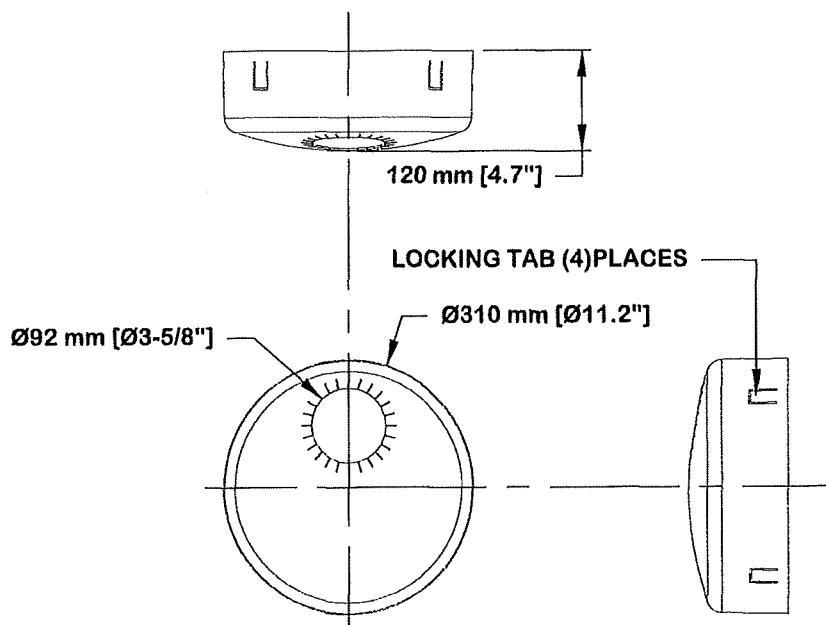
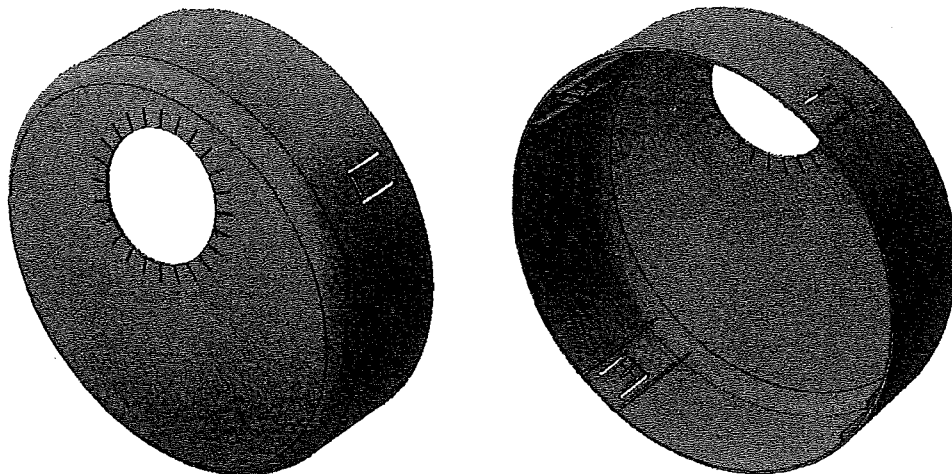
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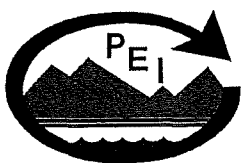
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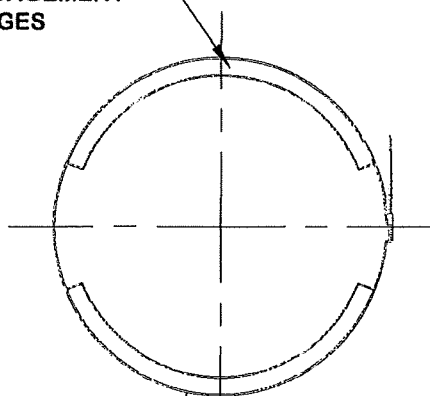
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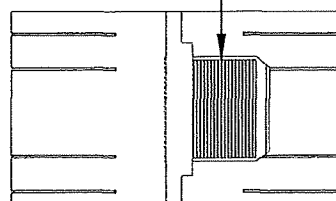
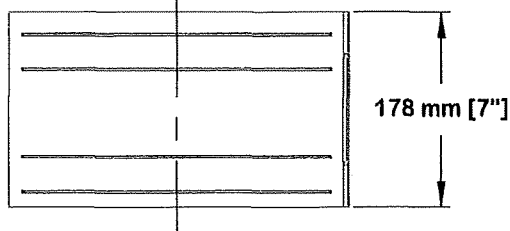
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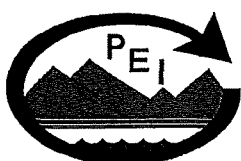


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## Advanced Enviro-septic Design Calculator V8.3

*"Always the BEST Option" until site and soil conditions rule it out.*

Site Address	Must have Lot or Street number, Address and Post Code		
Client Name	Client details and Contact Phone Number		
Designed By Name	Designers Ph Number	QBSA Lic Number	
Lic Plumber Name	Plumber Ph Number	Plumb / Drainer Lic Number	
Council Area	AES Certif Number	Date	

This Calculator is a guide only, receiving soil classification, surface water, water tables and all other site constraints addressed by the design.

System Designers site and soil calculation data entry		IMPORTANT NOTES
Is this a new home installation Y or N	N	>> CHECK THE CONDITION & CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING SEPTIC TANK AS PART OF THIS DESIGN. Remove outlet filters, If you DO NOT REMOVE the filter you will need to install a 100mm, HIGH and LOW VENTS on the AES system.
Number of person	4	
Daily Design Flow Allowance Litre/Person/Day	150	
Number of rows required to suit site constraints	2	>> The maximum lth of a single AES pipe run is 30 meters
Infiltration surface Soil Category as established by site and soil evaluation. CATEGORY	4	>> Catagory may require design considerations. Ref AS1547
Design Loading Rate based on site & soil evaluation DLR (mm/day)	20	>> Soil conditioning may be necessary. Ref AS1547 & Comments.
Bore log depth below system Basel area	160	>> Min depth below basel area is 600 mm to establish water table or restrictive layer
Enter System footprint Slope in % for standard AES systems to calculate extension	3	>> Consideration required for Sloping sites. Ref AS1547. refer comment.
Is this design a gravity system with no outlet filter? Y or N	Y	>> A House Vent & LOW VENT required on this system

PLEASE CHECK YOU HAVE FALL FROM TANK TO AES SYSTEM PIPES

COMMENTS :- " The outcome must be important to everyone. "

- Rippling of receiving surface is required in clay soil structures in Cat 4,5,6. In addition refer to AS 1547. Always excavate a trench parallel to the site slope/AES pipe.
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AES System Calculator Outcomes			AES dimensions		
Total System load - litres / day	600	l/d	AES System	System Extension	
Min Length of AES pipe rows to suit loading	10.0	lm	Lth m : (L)	12.6	12.6
Number of FULL AES Pipe length per row	4	lths	Width m:(W)	1.35	1.03
Total Capacity of AES System pipe in Litres	1696	ltr.	Sand Depth :	0.75	0.15
			Area m2	17.0	13.0
DO YOU WISH TO USE CUT LENGTHS OF PIPE IN THIS DESIGN? (ENTER Y)					
IF YOU WISH TO USE A TRENCH EXTENSION DESIGN OPTION ENTER "Y"			Enter Custom Width m >		
AES INFILTRATION FOOT PRINT AREA - $L = Q / (DLR \times W)$		Length	Width	Minimum AES foot print required .	
for this Basic Serial design is		12.6	x 2.38	=	30.0 m2 total

Code	AES System Bill of Materials.	Chankar Environmental Use Only
AES-PIPE	AES 3 mtr Lths required	Designreview@enviro-septic.com.au
AESC	AESC Couplings required	
AESO	AESO Offset adaptors	
AESODV	AES Oxygen demand vent	
AES-IPB	AES 90mm Inspection port base	
AES Equ	AES Speed Flow Equaliser	
TOTAL SYSTEM SAND REQUIRED (Guide Only)		18 m3
<p>PLEASE email your AES CALC and Drawings to</p> <p>DESIGNREVIEW@ENVIRO-SEPTIC.COM.AU</p>		

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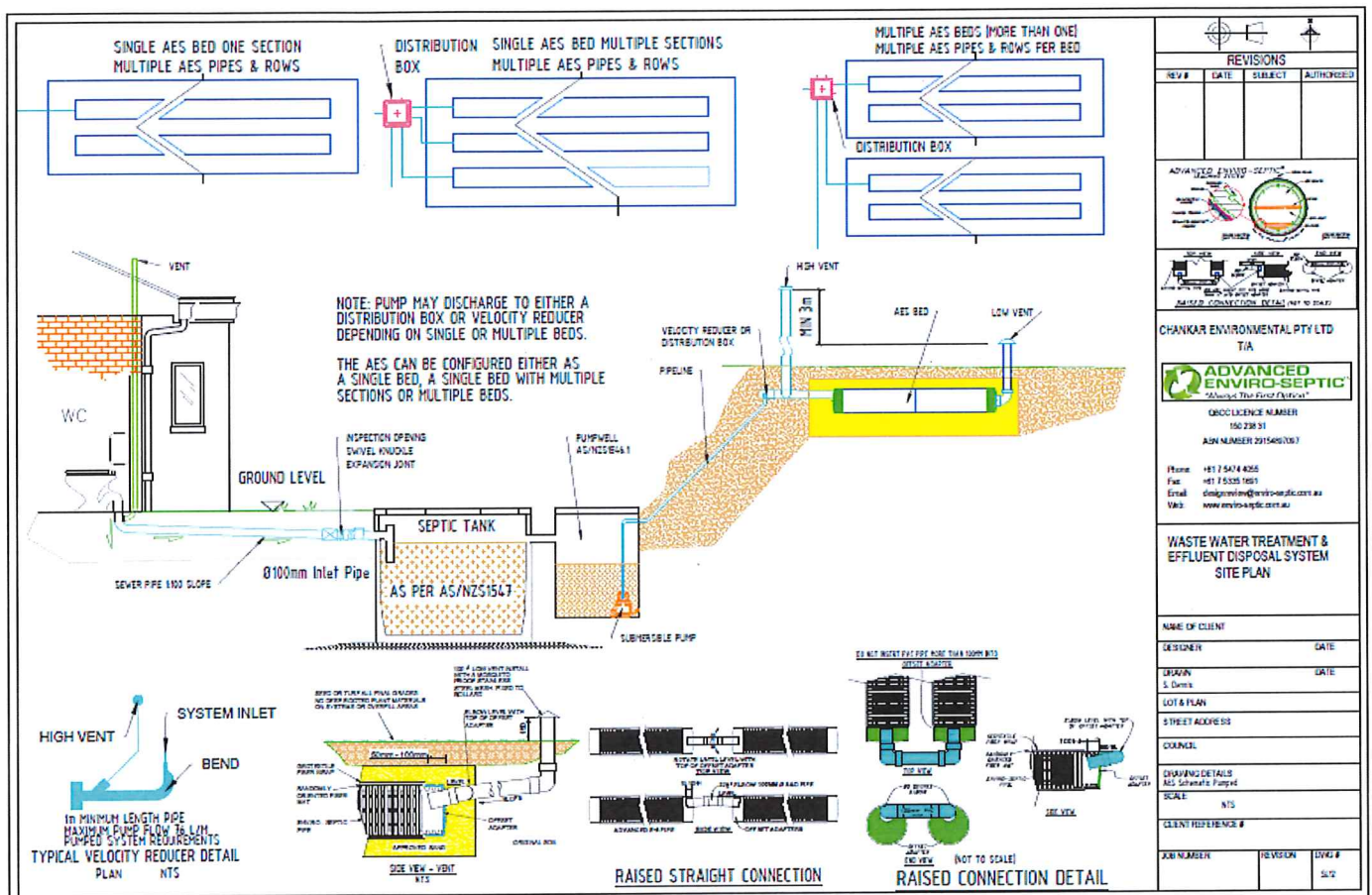


Figure 2 Typical AES Schematic Pumped

**TREATMENT PLANT APPROVAL No. 15/2019 Amendment 2**  
*Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018*

**Amendment 2 - Attachment 2**

Approval 15/2019 as at 03 March 2020 (for historical reference only)

**TREATMENT PLANT APPROVAL 15/2019**  
*Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018*  
**Amendment No.1**

**Approval**

1. The Advanced Enviro-septic (AES) ("the System") described in the Specifications and Drawings in the attached Schedule and manufactured by Presby Environmental Inc. Whitefield, New Hampshire ("the manufacturer") and supplied by Chankar Environmental Pty Ltd (ACN 148 175 455) ("the supplier") has been assessed in accordance with the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code (QPW Code) dated 15th January 2013.
2. The supplier applied to the Chief Executive on 12 February 2020 for an amendment to the system as specified below.
3. Approval is granted for previous Condition 10, to be amended to state: *'A septic tank conforming to AS/NZS1546.1 and sized in accordance with AS/NZS1547 for the influent hydraulic load from the dwelling is a **component of the system**'.*
4. Approval is granted for an advanced secondary quality wastewater treatment system, subject to compliance by the manufacturer/supplier with the requirements of the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018* and the conditions of approval detailed below.
5. This approval, the conditions of approval and the Schedule comprise the entire Treatment Plant Approval document.
6. Any modification by the manufacturer/supplier to the design, drawings or specifications scheduled to this approval must be approved by the Chief Executive.

**Conditions of approval**

7. The manufacture, installation, operation, service and maintenance of the systems must be in conformity with the conditions of this Treatment Plant Approval.
8. The advanced secondary quality wastewater treatment system, which is an example of the approved systems, may only be used on premises that generate per day:
  - a) a maximum hydraulic loading of 90L / 3 metre length of AES piping system
  - b) a maximum organic loading of 240mg/L BOD<sub>5</sub>
  - c) a maximum total suspended solids of 300mg/L.
9. The system must continue to meet the requirements of advanced secondary quality wastewater treatment system, producing the following effluent quality —
  - a) 90% of the samples taken must have a BOD<sub>5</sub> less than or equal to 10 g/m<sup>3</sup> with no sample greater than 20 g/m<sup>3</sup>.
  - b) 90% of the samples taken must have total suspended solids less than or equal to 10g/m<sup>3</sup> with no sample greater than 20g/m<sup>3</sup>.
10. Each system must be serviced in accordance with the details supplied in the owner's operation and maintenance manual.



11. The system design is based upon secondary quality effluent design loading rate as defined in AS/NZ1547 using the AES Design Calculator prepared by a qualified designer. System designs must be verified and signed by the supplier before being submitted to the Local Government.
12. A septic tank conforming to AS/NZ 1546.1 and sized in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 for the influent hydraulic load from the dwelling is a component of the system. Waste from the septic tank is to be diverted to the AES piping system prior to the system sand and basal area. The septic tank that feeds into the system must be regularly monitored and maintained (including de-sludging) in accordance with AS/NZ 1547 to ensure optimum operation of the system.
13. When granting a compliance permit, the local government must satisfy itself that the designer's choice of the system configuration is optimal for the proposed use and site conditions and that the effluent can be retained within the land application area.
14. Each application for a compliance permit to install a system must also be accompanied by a copy of a completed Advanced Enviro-Septic Design Calculator Report endorsed by the supplier, showing the footprint/basal area of the proposed system and number of pipe modules for the site.
15. An inspection/sampling point must be installed permanently in the sand immediately below the half-way point of the AES piping system. Where a system is installed in a sloping basal area an additional inspection/sampling point must be installed at the lowest point of the system extension.
16. Routine maintenance of the system at set intervals, other than septic tank sludge levels, is not stipulated by the manufacturer/supplier. However, routine monitoring may be required by the Local Government. In the event of failure of the system's land application area an AES authorised person may need to follow the rejuvenation procedures set out in the manufacturer/supplier's Design and Installation Manual.
17. Where a system installed at a site, has been found not to operate satisfactorily during its service life, and as a result requires modification to achieve the required performance requirements, in particular, water quality limits, the installed system is to be modified accordingly. Any modifications including any of the supplier's rejuvenation procedure outcomes must be recorded on the service report.
18. Permitted use of the effluent is for sub-surface absorption only.
19. Each system must be supplied with —
  - (a) a copy of this Treatment Plant Approval document;
  - (b) details of the system;
  - (c) instructions for authorised persons for its installation;
  - (d) a copy of the owner's manual to be given to the owner at the time of installation; and
  - (e) detailed instructions for authorised service personal for its operation and maintenance.

20. At each anniversary of the Treatment Plant Approval date, the supplier must submit to the Chief Executive a list of all systems installed in Queensland during the previous 12 months. Where the Chief Executive is notified of any system failures the Chief Executive may randomly select a number of installed systems for audit. The Chief Executive will notify the supplier's nominated NATA accredited laboratory which systems are to be audited for BOD5 and TSS. The sampling and testing of the selected systems, if required, is to be done at the supplier's expense. The following results must be reported to the Chief Executive;
- a) Address of premises;
  - b) Date inspected and sampled;
  - c) Sample identification number;
  - d) BOD5 for influent and effluent; and
  - e) TSS for influent and effluent.
21. The Chief Executive may, by written notice, cancel this approval if the manufacturer/supplier fails —
- a) to comply with one or more of the conditions of approval; or
  - b) within 30 days, to remedy a breach, for which a written notice been given by the Chief Executive.
22. This approval may only be assigned with the prior written consent of the Chief Executive.
23. This approval expires on 1 January 2024 unless cancelled earlier in accordance with paragraph 21 above.

Lindsay Walker

**Director**  
**Plumbing, Drainage and Special Projects**  
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**SCHEDULE**

**Attachment 1**

Specifications, Drawings and Sample AES Design Calculator Report for the

**Advanced Enviro-Septic (AES)**

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## APPLICATION FOR PRODUCT ACCREDITATION (Onsite Wastewater Treatment System)

### ADVANCED ENVIRO-SEPTIC (AES) SYSTEM COMPONENTS

Advanced Enviro-Septic™ is an effective, passive onsite wastewater treatment system for residential, commercial and community use. Each AES unit is a 3 meter long engineered pipe with outer layers of randomly placed fibres, bio accelerator and non-woven geotextile fabric. The geotextile fabric is sewn together to hold the pipe, fibres and the bio accelerator for easy handling.



Main components of AES system include;

1. AES Pipe unit (3 meter long pipe) – incorporates corrugation, perforated holes and internal skimmer taps
2. AES Couplings – patented connector to join the AES pipe units as per the design requirements.
3. AES Offset Adaptor – 308mm diameter cap that has 1 x 92mm pre cut hole 9 (open to suit 100mm PVC pipe). This 92mm hole is for connection to the septic tank outlet and for raised connection between rows of AES pipes. Required number of offset adaptor depends on the design requirements.
4. Oxygen Demand Vent – 100mm vent cowl with mosquito proof screen.

Specifications of AES Components

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<b>AES Pipe</b>		
Part. AES-Q	Length	3 metre
	Diameter	0.3 metre
	No. of Corrugation / 3m	90
	No. of Skimmer Tap / 3m	720
	Bio Accelerator	0.76 square metre
	Fibers	2.83 square metre
	Geotextile Fabric	2.83 square metre
<b>AES Coupling</b>		
Part. AES-ESC	Diameter	0.308 metre
	Width	0.178 metre
	No. of Engagement Ridges	2
<b>AES Offset Adaptor</b>		
Part. AES-ESO	Diameter	0.310 metre
	Width	0.12 metre
	Inlet / Raised Connection	0.92mm
	No. of Locking Taps	4
<b>Oxygen Demand Vent Cowl</b>		
Part. AES-ODV	Diameter	0.1metre
	Height	0.105 metre

Each unit of AES system pipe is 3 meter long and 0.3 metre in diameter. These pipes can be connected in a number configurations depending on the site and soil constrains. Advanced Enviro-Septic Design Calculator provided by the Chankar Environmental is an excellent tool for working out design configurations and bill of materials.

Where required land application area is greater than the system basal area, a layer of system sand extension is needed at the adjoining land application interface.

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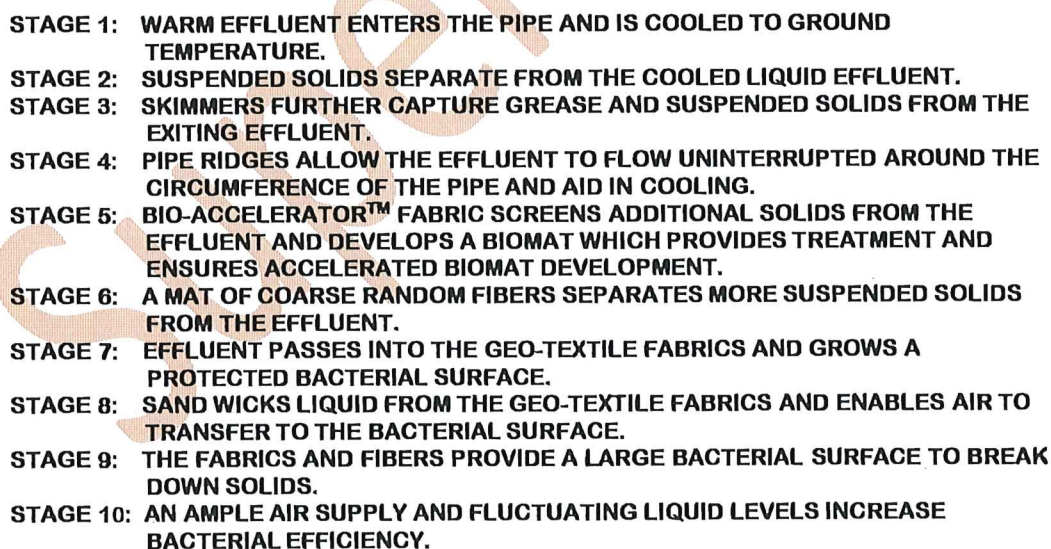
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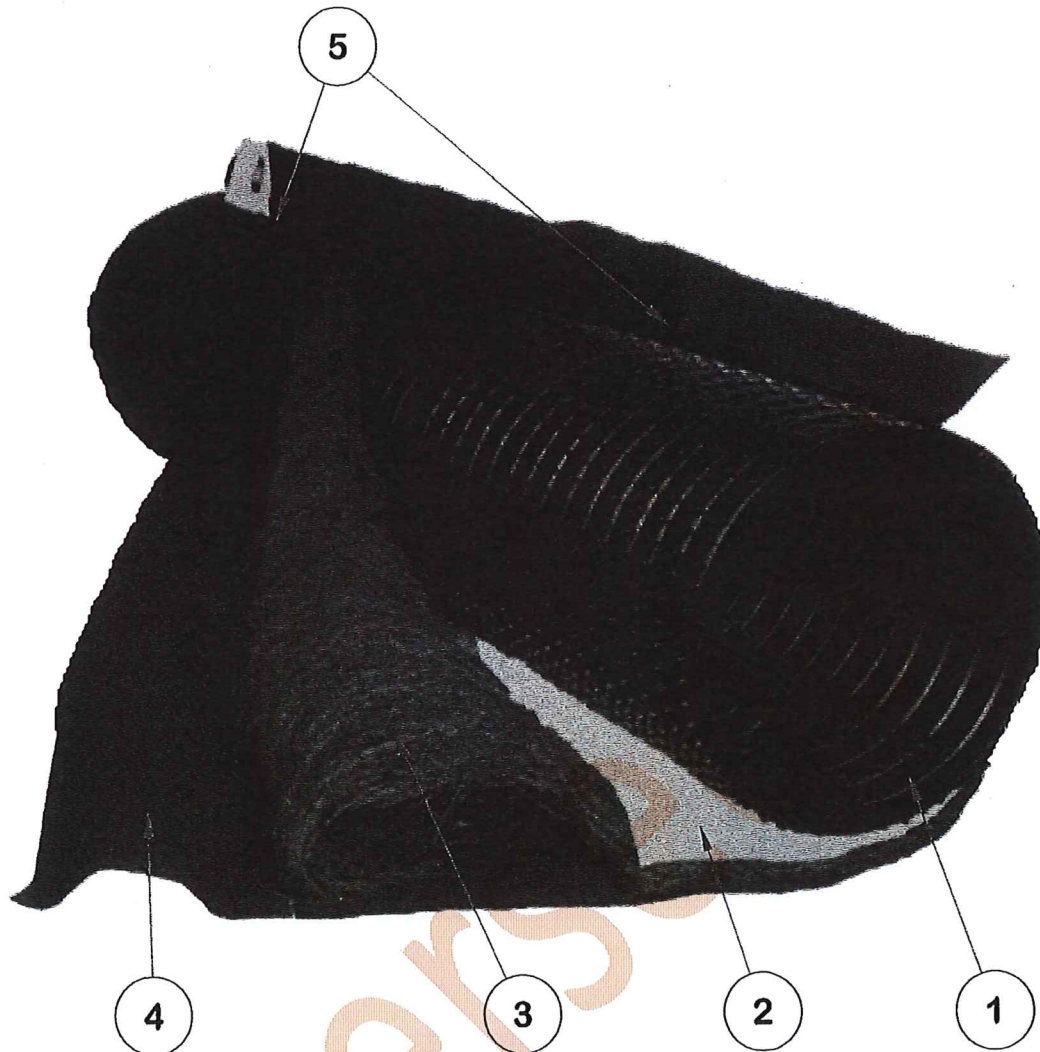
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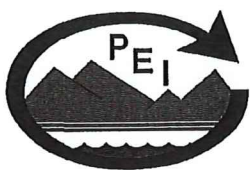
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ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	PLASTIC PIPE
2	BIO-ACCELERATOR FABRIC (BOTTOM THIRD OF PIPE)
3	RANDOMLY ORIENTED PLASTIC FIBER
4	GEO-TEXTILE FABRIC
5	SEWN SEAM (ALWAYS ORIENTED UP)

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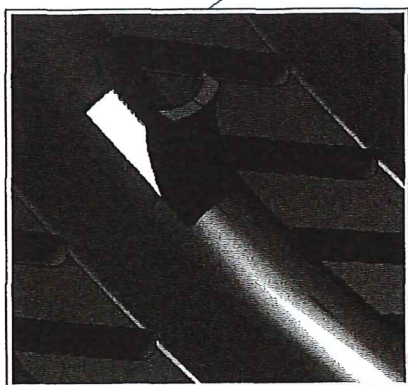
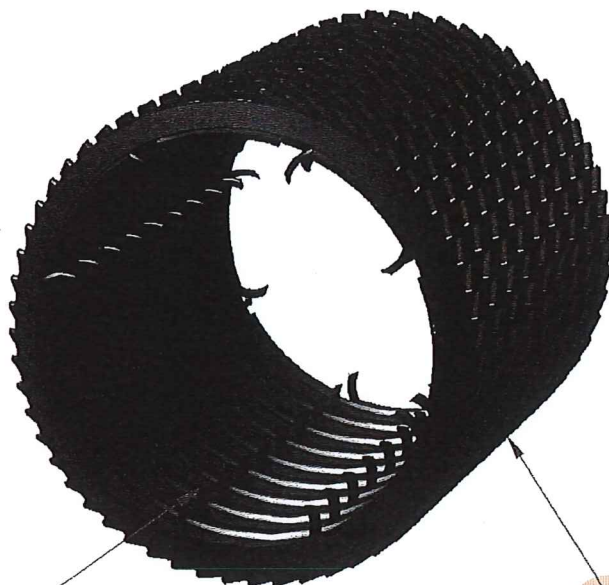
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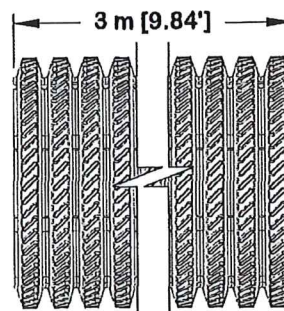
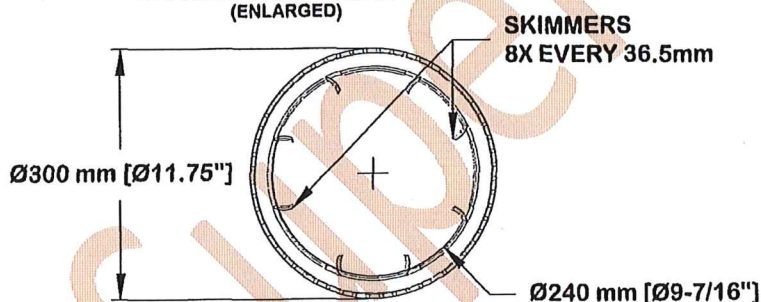




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**RIDGE & CORRUGATION DETAIL**  
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**Material: HDPE Plastic**

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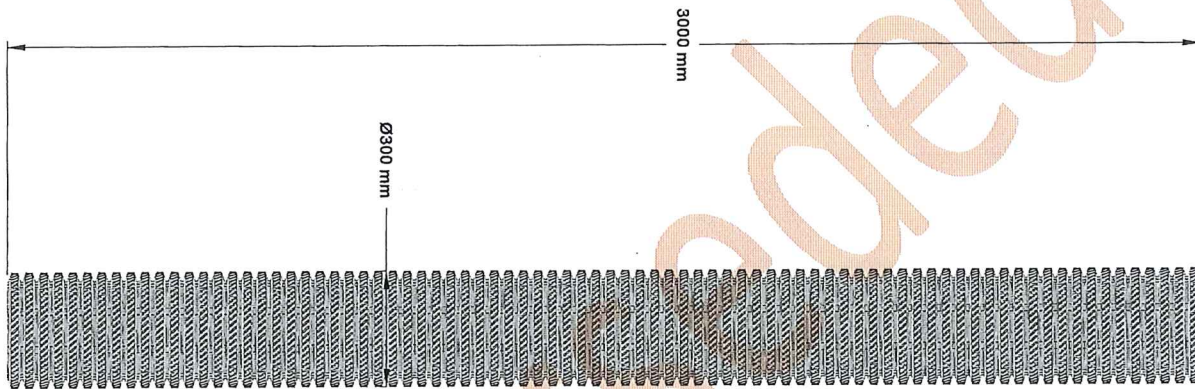
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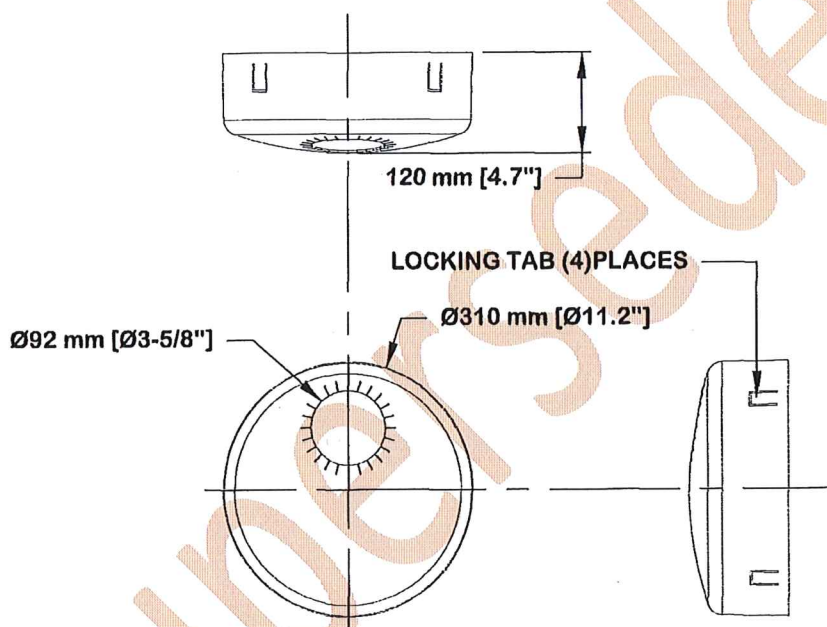
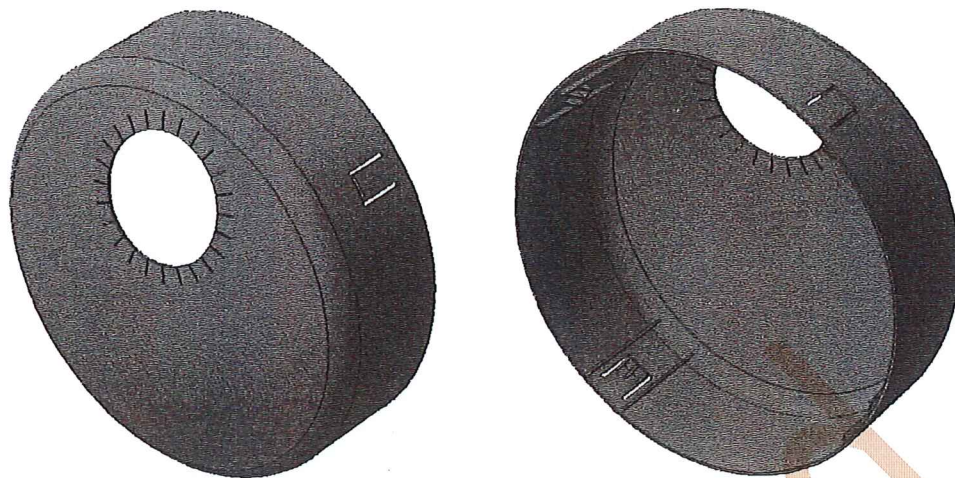
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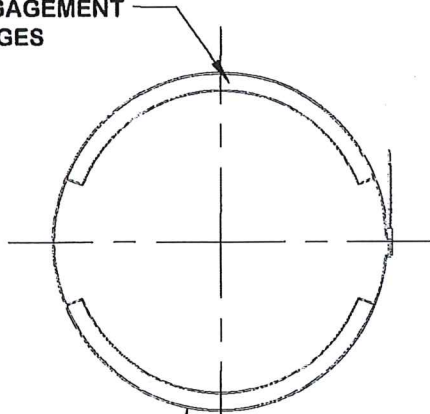
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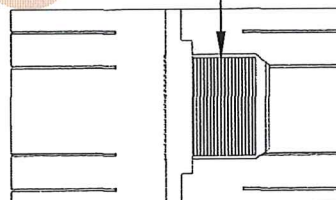
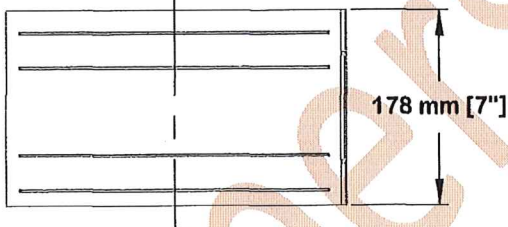
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## Advanced Enviro-septic Design Calculator V8.3

*"Always the BEST Option" until site and soil conditions rule it out.*

Site Address	Must have Lot or Street number, Address and Post Code		
Client Name	Client details and Contact Phone Number		
Designed By Name	Designers Ph Number	QBSA Lic Number	
Lic Plumber Name	Plumber Ph Number	Plumb / Drainer Lic Number	
Council Area	AES Certif Number	Date	

**This Calculator is a guide only, receiving soil classification, surface water, water tables and all other site constraints addressed by the design.**

System Designers site and soil calculation data entry	IMPORTANT NOTES
Is this a new home installation Y or N	<b>&gt;&gt; CHECK THE CONDITION &amp; CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING SEPTIC TANK AS PART OF THIS DESIGN. Remove outlet filters, If you DO NOT REMOVE the filter you will need to install a 100mm, HIGH and LOW VENTS on the AES system.</b>
Number of person	
Daily Design Flow Allowance Litre/Person/Day	<b>&gt;&gt; The maximum lth of a single AES pipe run is 30 meters</b>
Number of rows required to suit site constraints	
Infiltration surface Soil Category as established by site and soil evaluation. CATEGORY	<b>&gt;&gt; Catagory may require design considerations. Ref AS1547</b>
Design Loading Rate based on site & soil evaluation DLR (mm/day)	<b>&gt;&gt; Soil conditioning may be necessary. Ref AS1547 &amp; Comments.</b>
Bore log depth below system Basel area	<b>&gt;&gt; Min depth below basal area is 600 mm to establish water table or restrictive layer</b>
Enter System footprint Slope in % for standard AES systems to calculate extension	<b>&gt;&gt; Consideration required for Sloping sites. Ref AS1547. refer comment.</b>
Is this design a gravity system with no outlet filter? Y or N	<b>&gt;&gt; A House Vent &amp; LOW VENT required on this system</b>

**PLEASE CHECK YOU HAVE FALL FROM TANK TO AES SYSTEM PIPES**

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AESO	AESO Offset adaptors	
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TOTAL SYSTEM SAND REQUIRED (Guide Only)		m3
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