

## HIGHLIGHTS:

- Challenge: Excessive zinc in leachate discharge - Leachate trucked to WWTP (> \$100,000/month)
- ECOTHOR Electrocoagulation with magnesium alloy anodes selected after onsite piloting (multiple solutions trialed by the customer)
- Commissioned June 2019
- Design Capacity
  - 575 m<sup>3</sup>/day, operating 24/7
- Current Operation Flowrate
  - 685 m<sup>3</sup>/day
- Successful zinc abatement in compliance with regulatory authorities and permits
- Annual savings of over CA\$1,000,000



In 2016, with rising zinc levels in its landfill leachate, and faced with exorbitant leachate disposal costs offsite, the *Régie de gestion des matières résiduelles de la Mauricie* (RGMRM - a municipal organization) turned to industry and academia to help address this challenging issue. Various biological, membrane, physiochemical and electrochemical approaches were investigated.

Onsite piloting in 2016-2017 established **ECOTHOR™** using electrocoagulation as the only solution which provides the required zinc removal performance, all the while drastically reducing the operating costs associated with offsite leachate treatment.

After complying with all regulatory and public acquisition requirements, the ECOTHOR System, with reactors, control panel and power supplies, was delivered and commissioned late spring 2019 and has been operating ever since.

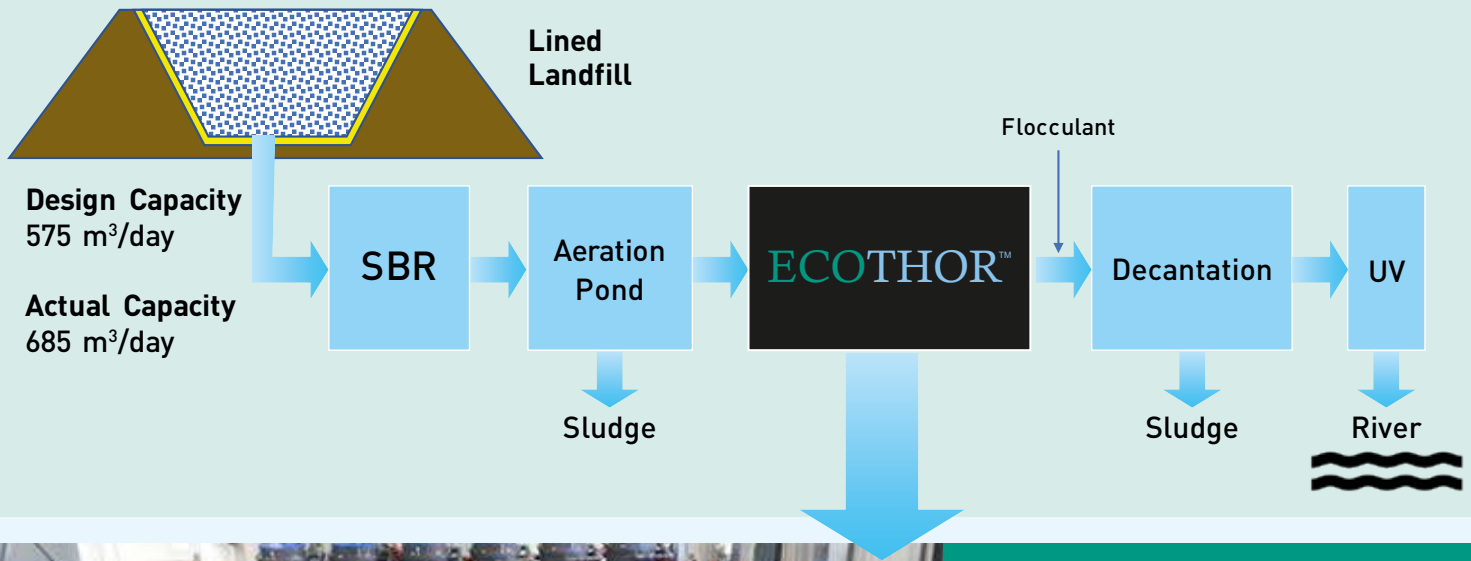
Summary 2019	
Raw Leachate	0.3-0.8 mg/L Zn
Treated Leachate	0.08-0.2 mg/L Zn

**CAPEX** (ECOTHOR only)  
**\$649,000**

**OPEX** (Anodes & Electricity)  
**\$0.53/m<sup>3</sup>**

**Overall Project Payback**  
**< 10 months**





**24 ECOTHOR-16R Reactors configured to operate in electrocoagulation mode with ANO2M (Mg alloy) anodes and with Allen-Bradley PLC (customer spec)**



E2Metrix is a Sherbrooke, Quebec-based water and wastewater treatment systems company, with a focus on ECOTHOR™, a “plug & play”, proprietary electrochemical process for treating process water along with industrial and municipal wastewater, either at a greenfield or an existing site. The modular ECOTHOR™ reactor can be operated alone or in a bank of multiple reactors to treat wastewater discharge flows from as low as a few m<sup>3</sup> to thousands of m<sup>3</sup> per day to target removal of contaminants including, ammonia nitrogen, phosphorus, suspended solids, metals (ex. Zn, Cu, Ni, As, Se, Mn, Fe, etc.), C10-C50 hydrocarbons, cyanides/thiocyanates, fats/oils & greases, pathogens/bacteria, emerging contaminant (including hormones, pharmaceuticals, PFAS), fluorides, and others.

Low Cost of Ownership	Multiple Contaminant Removal
Fully Automated with Remote Operation	Compact – Small Footprint & Modular
On/Off Capabilities	No moving parts



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