

AUTOMATED FLUSHING TECHNOLOGY

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QUESTIONS WELCOMED –

CONCERNS ARE OK TO VOICE AS WELL

WE WONT KICK YOU OUT!



Purpose Behind Automated Flushing

**IMPROVING WATER QUALITY WITHIN
WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS**

**CONSERVATION OF WATER
AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

**BENEFITS OF FLUSHING
WITH
AUTOMATED DEVICES**

EFFICIENCY

**REDUCE OPERATIONAL EXPENSES
AND
IMPROVE WATER QUALITY OF
POTABLE WATER DELIVERED TO
CUSTOMERS**

EFFECTIVENESS

**ENHANCED UTILIZATION OF STAFF
TIME**

RELIABILITY

THROUGH AUTOMATION ACHIEVE RELIABLE
PERFORMANCE

LONGEVITY

A SUPERIOR DESIGN AND WORKMANSHIP
EQUALS A PRODUCT THAT DELIVERS
YEARS OF SERVICE

WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

**COMPLIANCE WITHIN PROVINCIAL
STANDARDS**

CHLORINE

**MOST COMMON FORM OF
DISINFECTANT USED BY WATER
UTILITIES TO ENSURE THE
SAFETY OF DELIVERED WATER**

Chlorine as a Disinfectant for Water Treatment

0.2 PPM

MINIMUM PARTS PER MILLION
ALLOWED BY USEPA FOR WATER
DISINFECTANTS

4.0 PPM

MAXIMUM PARTS PER MILLION
ALLOWED BY USEPA FOR WATER
DISINFECTANTS

52%

OF UTILITIES MAINTAIN A REGULAR
DEAD-END FLUSHING PROGRAM

ONLY

15%

OF UTILITIES OPERATE WITH
NO OFFICIAL FLUSHING PROGRAM

Why Implement And Maintain A Flushing Program?

Taste, color and odor account for an estimated **92%** of customer complaints filed with water utilities.



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Recent studies indicate that the cost to field, manage and solve a customer service complaint ranges between **\$300** and **\$500 per complaint.**

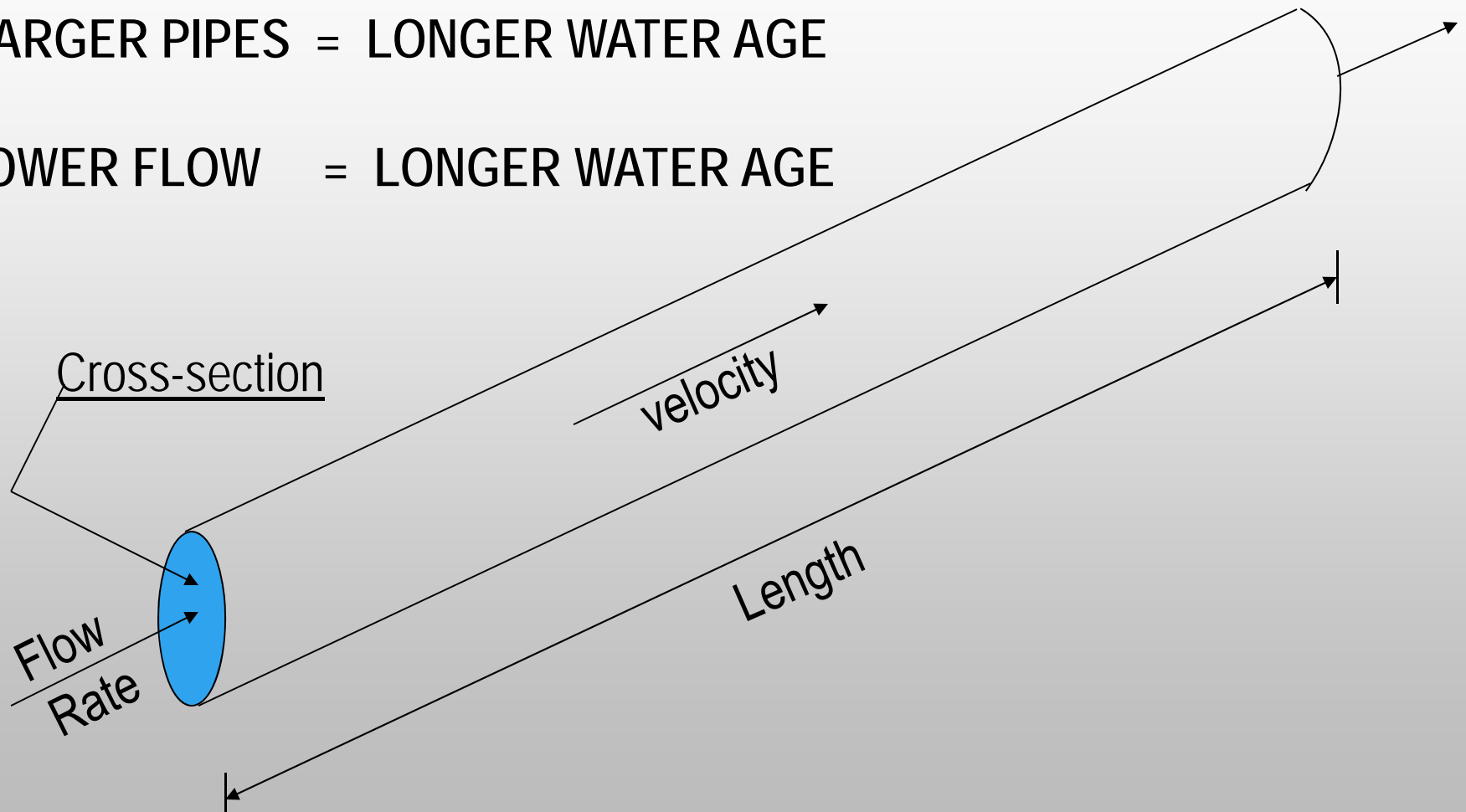
WATER AGE MANAGEMENT

CONSISTENT FLOW = IMPROVED QUALITY

LONGER PIPES = LONGER WATER AGE

LARGER PIPES = LONGER WATER AGE

LOWER FLOW = LONGER WATER AGE

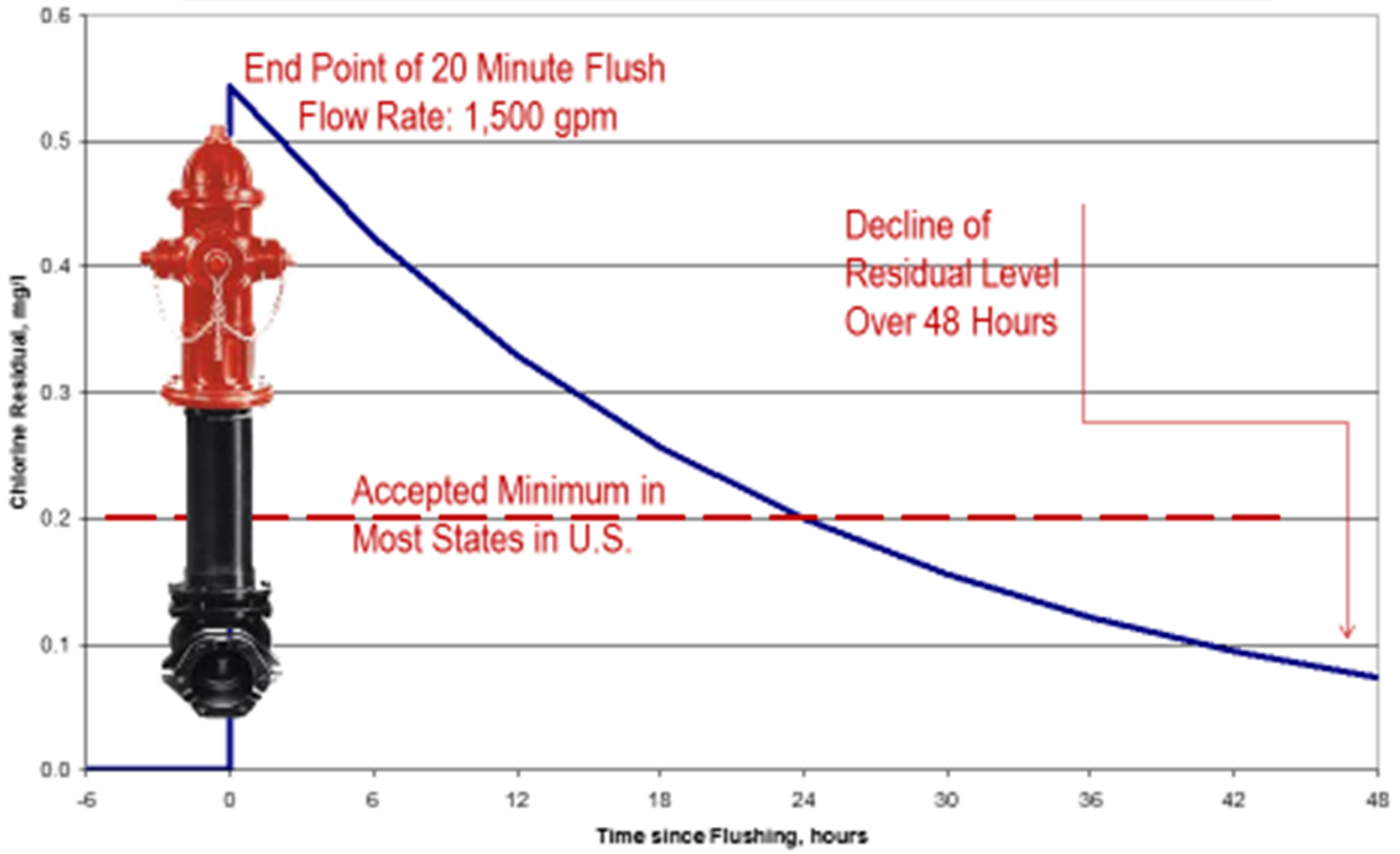


$$\text{Travel Time} = \frac{\text{Length of pipeline} \times \text{Cross-section Area}}{\text{Flow Rate in pipe}}$$

CONDITIONS CAUSING AN INCREASE IN AVERAGE DETENTION TIME

- SERVICE TO CUSTOMERS LOCATED A DISTANCE FROM TREATMENT FACILITY (TRAVEL TIME)
- WATER LINES SIZED FOR FIRE DEMAND (HIGH VOLUME)
- DEAD-END LINES (LOW DEMAND)
- LOW WATER DEMAND IN LINES SIZED FOR FUTURE GROWTH
- SEASONAL DEMANDS
- WATER CONSERVATION INITIATIVES

20 Minute Manual Flush Of Dead-End Water Line



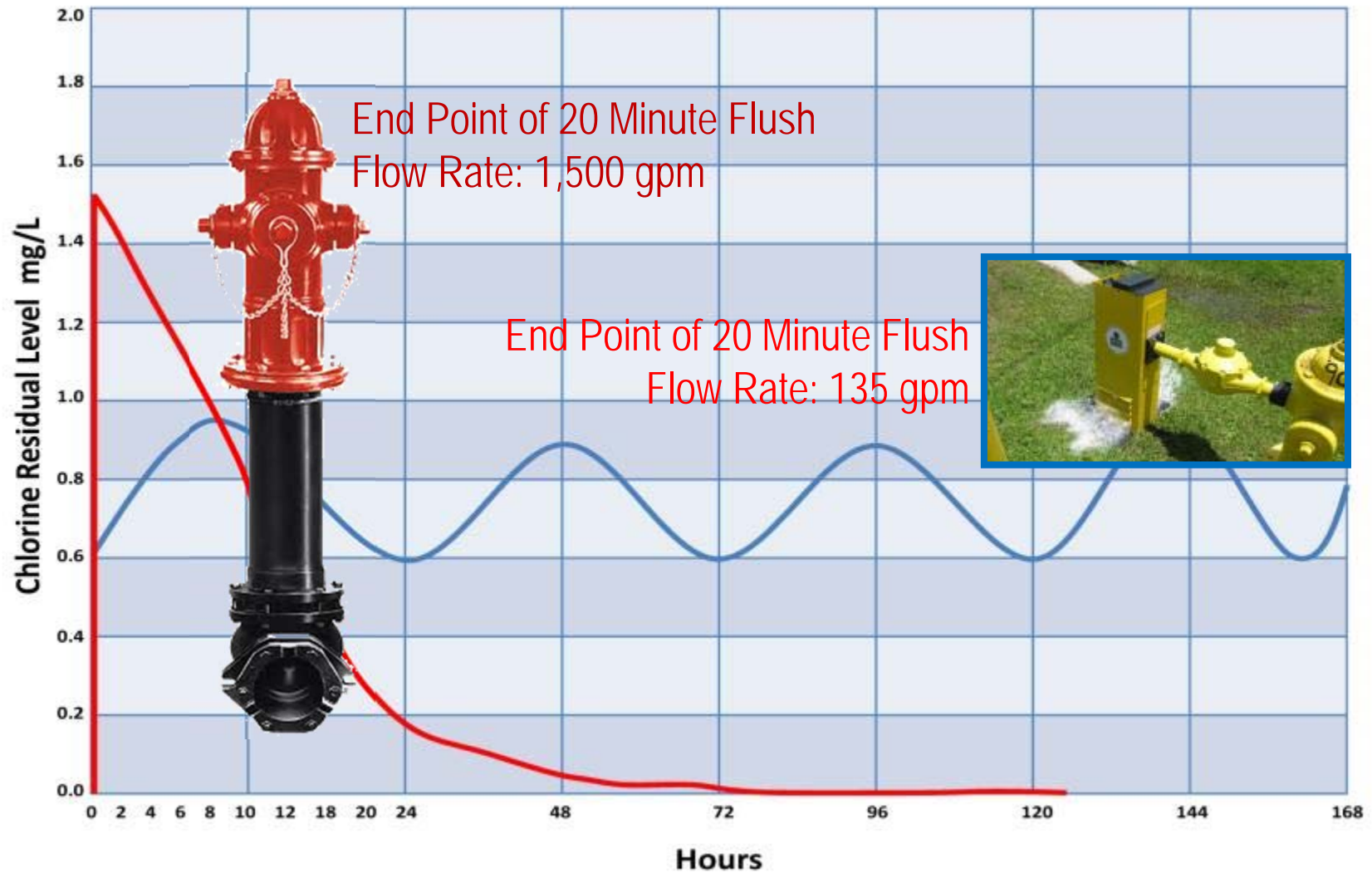
MANAGING WATER AGE & RESIDUALS

- ▶ **MANUAL**— Infrequent Flushing up to 1,500 gpm for 45 minutes or longer until chlorine residual returns to an acceptable level



- ◀ **AUTOMATED** - ADVANCED MAINTENANCE FLUSHING 135 GPM FOR 4 MINUTES PER DAY TO MAINTAIN CHLORINE RESIDUAL

Manual vs Automated Flush Of Dead-End Water Line



**ADVANCED
MAINTENANCE FLUSHING
TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES**

HG-6 HYDRANT AUTOMATED FLUSHER

- TEMPORARY AND EMERGENCY USAGE
- USED WITH A WORKING HYDRANT
- DESIGNED TO SUPPORT ITS WEIGHT AND NOT HANG, EROSION BASE
- OEM DE-CHLOR AND SAMPLING UPGRADE STANDARD EQUIPMENT
- 8-INCH TRAVEL RANGE FOR CONNECTION TO MOST HYDRANT HEIGHTS
- 24-EVENT PROGRAMMING
 - LOCKING DEVICE AVAILABLE
 - METER AVAILABLE



TYPICAL HG-6 HYDRANT CONNECTION

- **A411 FLUSH POST HYDRANT**

(FOUND ON UNDERSIZE MAINS OR WHERE FP IS NOT REQUIRED)



- **3-WAY DRY BARREL FIRE HYDRANT**

(MOST COMMON FIRE HYDRANT IN CANADA)



PERMANENT AUTOMATED FLUSHING SOLUTIONS FOR COLD TO SEVERE CLIMATES



HG-8 IN-GROUND AUTOMATED FLUSHER

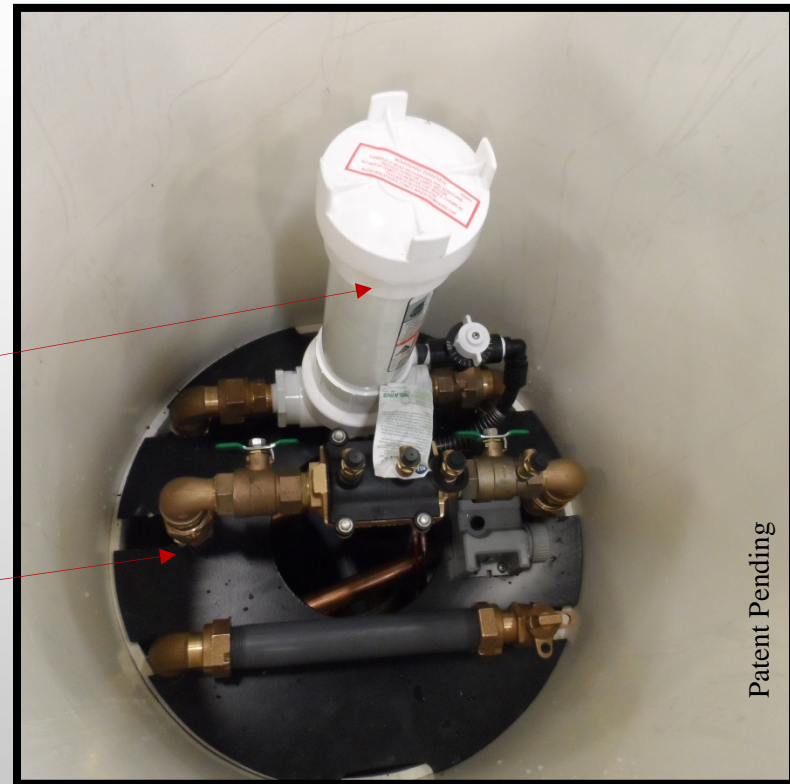
- Designed for cold climate = auto flushing year-round
- Fully buried unit = public sees nothing

Sampling port and dechlorination systems

Coated steel platform supports 1" brass piping and valve assembly

The 21-inch diameter below-grade protective base

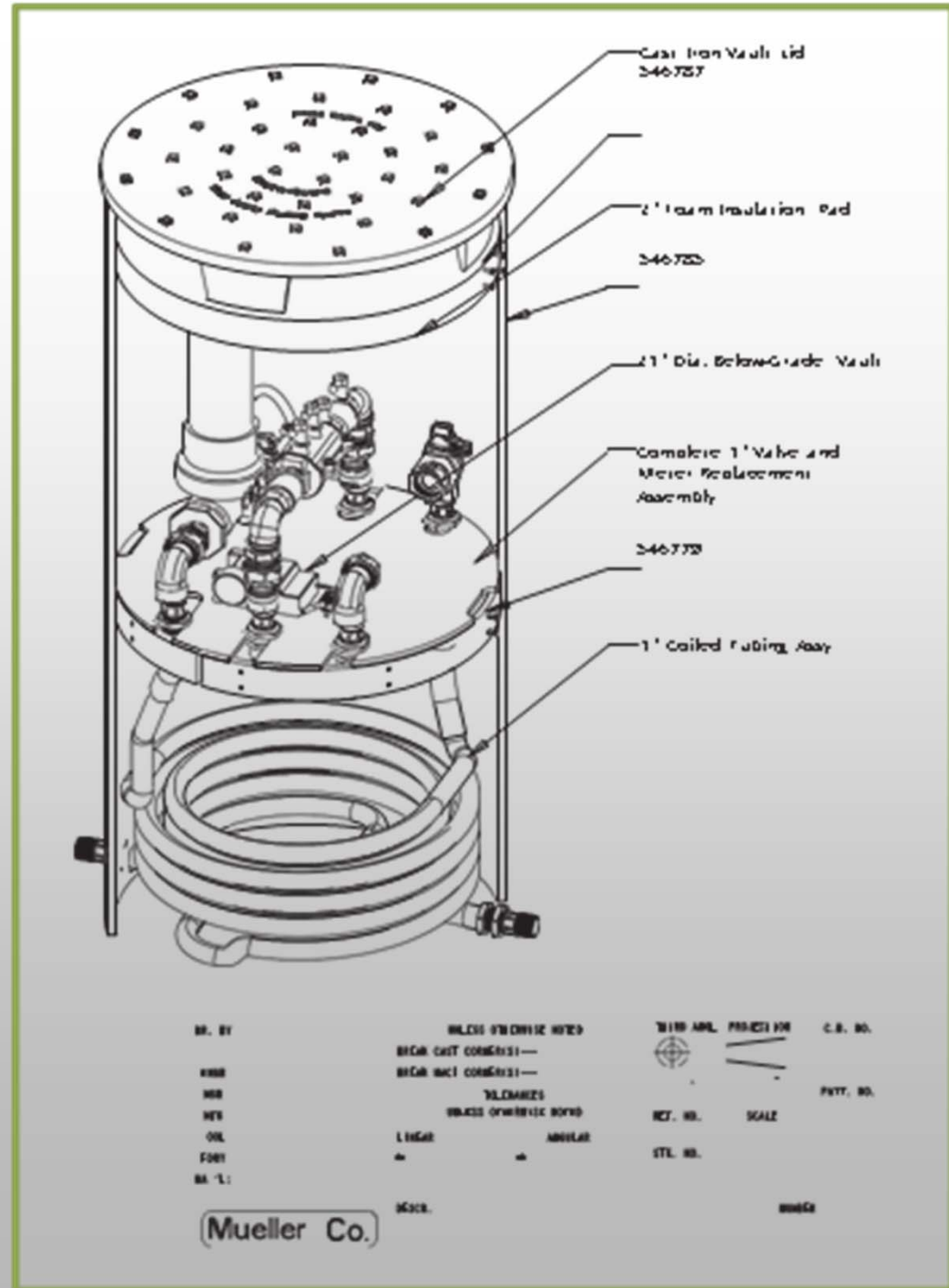
Adjustable platform and Thermal-Coil® meter box technology allow the internals below the frost depth for year-round operation



Patent Pending



- Inlet 1" MIP connection
Design consideration:
corp./curb & typical service
tubing from main to inlet
connection
- Outlet 1" MIP allowing
Flush to low flow sewer,
pond, ditch or
retention/drainage field
- H15451 FIP * CC110
allows inlet/outlet to
tubing connection



THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING

WHERE DO YOU WANT TO BE FRIDAY
AFTERNOON?

