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NWRI Report on Global Perspective of Low Pressure Membranes Now Available to Download

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, Calif. – The National Water Research Institute (NWRI) is pleased to announce that the NWRI Report *A Global Perspective of Low Pressure Membranes* is available for download at www.nwri-usa.org/e-publications.

Released in April 2008, *A Global Perspective* was prepared by David Furukawa, P.E., Ch.E. of Separation Consultants, Inc. Furukawa is an expert on membrane technologies.

Low pressure membrane technology represents a fast-growing industry, and these products will continue to be incorporated into future water and wastewater treatment applications throughout the world. As with reverse osmosis previously, microfiltration, ultrafiltration, and membrane bioreactors underwent a similar development period when they were used for many different niche applications before their broadest applications were recognized.

A Global Perspective is a review of the current status of this industry and includes an account of actual installed capacity through the end of the year 2006. The data comprise the results from 13 companies who provided information on their installations (representing more than 90 percent of all installed plants worldwide).

The 13-page report includes discussions on industry growth, installed capacity and application, global market and costs, and conclusions.

A Global Perspective is available by complimentary download. Please visit www.nwri-usa.org/e-publications to download or for more information.

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