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# Fundamentals of BTX Unit Technology Training Course

#### Introduction

The success of every company depends of each employee's understanding of the business's key components. Employee training and development will unlock the companies' profitability and reliability. When people, processes, and technology work together as a team developing practical solutions, companies can maximize profitability and assets in a sustainable manner.

It is strategically important that your group understands the fundamentals of hydrotreating technology. This is the difference between being in the best quartile of unit operations and being in the last quartile. There is vast difference in the ability of companies and most benchmarking studies have confirmed this gap in abilities.

Whether you have a team of new or seasoned employees, an introduction or review of these concepts is greatly beneficial in closing the gap if you are not in the best quartile or maintaining a leadership position. Most studies show that a continuous reinforcement of best practices in project management principles is the most effective way to obtain the desired results. Training and learning should be an ongoing continuous lifelong goal.

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### **Course Objective**

This course will guide the participates to develop key concepts and techniques to operate and troubleshoot key fundamental unit operation systems of Hydrotreaters Systems. These key concepts can be utilized to make operating decisions that can improve your unit's performance.

Many aspects of operations can be improved including, product recoveries, purities and energy utilization, and safety. This cannot be achieved without first an understanding of basic fundamental principles of design and operation. These principles need to be understood in advance of operating and trouble shooting a process unit operation for the operator or problem solving to be effective.

This seminar focuses on the core building blocks of the BTX process unit equipment. The program will emphasize process unit equipment fundamentals, safe utilization of these fundamentals by operations and maintenance personnel, and equipment troubleshooting techniques.

### **Course Duration and Delivery**

Typical course duration is 3 to 5 days based on the background of the particapates. One of our Senior Technical Professional with over 25 years of experience would lead the class. Instruction can be in house or in an online webinar.

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## **Typical Course Outline**

- 1. Introduction to Processing Industry
  - Overview of the Chemical Processing Industry
  - Safety for the Chemical Processing Industry
- 2. Introduction to Troubleshooting
  - Typical Equipment Problems
  - Integration of Process, Equipment and People
  - Troubleshooting Techniques
  - Troubleshooting Tools
- 3. BTX Process Flow Scheme
  - Overview of BTX Separation
  - Liquid / Liquid Extraction versus Extractive Distillation
  - Process Variables
  - Gasoline HydroTreater Units (GHU)
  - Designing columns for BTX Separation Plants
  - Designing Extractive Distillation Columns
  - Benzene and Toluene Derivative Overview
  - Economics

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- 4. Hydrotreating Processing.
  - Process Overview
  - Process Chemistry
  - Process Variables
  - Hydro processing Objectives.
  - Chemical reactions
  - Catalysts
  - Catalyst Evaluation Techniques
  - Feedstock, Reaction, Catalyst, Regeneration
- 5 BTX Distillation
  - Overview of BTX Distillation Units
  - Safe Commissioning of Equipment
  - Liquid / Liquid Extraction versus Extractive Distillation
  - Process Variables
  - Solvent Selection
  - Process Control Schemes
  - Safety Integrity Levels
- 6. BTX Trouble Shooting
  - Case Study
    - BTX Revamp Case Study
    - o BTX Installation Case Study

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### Who Should Attend

- People who are making day to day decisions regarding operation, design, maintenance, and economics of process industry plants.
  - 1. 1st Line Operations personnel,
  - 2. Operation Supervisors,
  - 3. 1st Line Maintenance personnel,
  - 4. Maintenance Supervisors,
  - 5. Senior Plant Supervisors,
  - 6. Operations Engineers
  - 7. Process Support Engineers,
  - 8. Design Engineers,
  - 9. Cost Engineers
- An engineer or chemist who must troubleshoot and solve problems in a plant, an engineering office or laboratory.
- Technical Engineers, Operating Engineers, Process Support Personnel, Chemist, and Managers
- Technical Process engineers doing process design and optimization projects and studies that need who need advanced skills for more complex modeling tasks.
- Plant Operation Support Engineers checking plant performance under different operating conditions, and who are involved in design of new facilities or revamps of existing facilities.
- Ideal for veterans and those with only a few years of experience who want to review or broaden their understanding of process safety.
- Other professionals who desire a better understanding of the subject matter.

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### What You Can Expect To Gain

- Overview of the BTX / Hydrotreater Processes.
- Overview of BTX Distillation
- An understanding of Reactor and Catalyst interaction
- The operation, control and trouble shooting of a reactors and associated equipment
- Valuable practical insights for trouble free design and field proven techniques for commissioning, start up and shutdown of operations
- To tailor your approach to specific design, analysis and trouble shooting problems.