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Comprehensive Optimization of Cleaner Concentration Settings of Cleaning Operations in Electroplating Plants

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Cleaning operations in electroplating plants consume huge amounts of cleaners. It is recognized that cleaner concentration settings in soaking, electrocleaning and acid cleaning are always very conservative. This has been a main cause of waste generation in wastewater as well as unreasonably high cleaner consumption. In this paper, a systematic optimization approach is introduced to identify optimal settings for different cleaning operations. The approach is general systematic and easy to use. A case study is given to demonstrate its applicability in real process systems.

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