KNOW MINNESOTA KNOW WATER: SURPRISING WATER TECHNOLOGY INNOVATIONS FROM THE LAND OF 10,000 LAKES

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Minnesota is known as the "Land of 10,000 Lakes,' which appears on the state's license plates. To filtration experts, Minnesota is also well-known for its great legacy--as well as current depth--in membrane technology development and expertise. Suez (formerly Osmonics) and Dow Water & Process (formerly Filmtech) are two of the better-known manufacturers, but what's the rest of the landscape look like? Which innovations were born in Minnesota? And what of other technologies that treat water? Minnesota is home to a surprising and impressive range of innovations in water and wastewater treatment. This presentation will tour the horizon of both established water technologies born in Minnesota, as well as those emerging from the laboratory and having promise for growth as the water technologies of the future. Finally, the presentation will feature a look at the state's ecosystem for water technology manufacturers and service firms.