







### Over 50 Years of Tradition



Jim Vaughan (standing), and his son Larry (sitting), working together in the early days.

Since 1960, Vaughan® has been the market leader in manufacturing chopper pumps, solving today's toughest solidspumping problems. This family driven tradition all started with Jim Vaughan's vision of a better, more reliable means of pumping manure.

Today's third and fourth generation of the Vaughan family continue the tradition of quality, dependability and service.

### Performance Guaranteed

With over 30,000 units sold, the Vaughan® Chopper Pump has not only proven its value in problem solving, but also established itself as the reliable alternative to conventional pumping. Over the years, Vaughan's UNMATCHED RELIABLITY has allowed Vaughan® to GUARANTEE the performance of all chopper pumps. This guarantee is your assurance of clog-free solids-handling performance.

Vaughan<sup>®</sup> continues its dedication to innovation by introducing larger sizes, new configurations, and advances in efficiency, maintainability and performance with the "E" series flushless seal design.

We invite you to study the features in this catalog and compare. Then, we believe you will agree that the Vaughan® Chopper Pump is "A Cut Above the Rest".



# **CHOPPER PUMPS**

#### Wet Well



#### Vertical Wet Well

- Vaughan's most popular sump pump
- · Reliable mechanical seal/oil bath design
- · Eliminates suction piping
- Keeps motor and wiring out of the pit.



#### Recirculating

- Allows Wet Well and Submersible Pumps to be used for mixing and pumpout
- Ideal for mixing of floating or settled solids



### Submersible

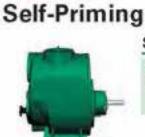


#### Electric Submersible

- Popular for sewage lift stations
- · Retrofits to most guide rail systems
- · Ideal for deep sumps
- Available with rail system or portable
- Triple seal design



- . Traditional sub-design
- Upgraded lower seal is standard



#### Self-Priming

- · Direct or belt drive
- Adjustable back pull-out design

### Dry Well



#### Horizontal

- Various sealing systems available
- · Direct or belt drive
- Adjustable back pull-out design



#### Pedestal

- Used primarily in dry well applications where floor space is limited
- Various sealing systems available
- · Adjustable back pull-out design



#### Hydraulic Submersible

- Portable pump for tank cleaning
- Lighter weight than other submersibles
- · Ideal for mobile equipment



#### Cantilever

 Eliminates submerged seals and bearings





Vaughan's unique cartridge style mechanical seal handles the toughest slurries, outperforming standard single-spring seals by reducing problems associated with wrapping or abrasion.

Stray solids trappped in the mechanical seal area are shredded and removed by the impeller vanes turning against the upper cutter, providing reliable service over the long term.

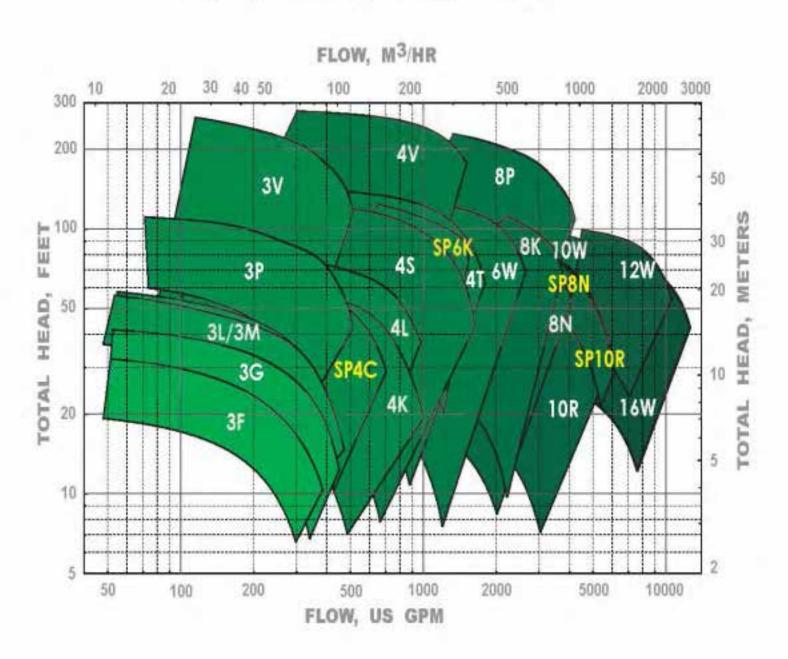
Auxiliary cutters above and below the impeller create a more efficient cutting system which binds less on high fiber slurry reducing motor overloads and nuisance tripping. These additional, hardened steel, patented cutters are one of the critical differences between Vaughan and the competition.

Solids are chopped by the supped and sharpened impeller blades turning across the cutter bar, creating a smooth "slicing" effect. The conditioned sharry is easily pumped through the pump and piping system without plugging.

Cutter nut (patented) cuts stringy materials that tend to wrap at the pump inlet.

Optional disintegrator tool helps break down large debris prior to the pump inlet.

# Performance Map - 60 Hz





### Vertical Wet Well

- Oil lubricated ball bearings eliminate unreliable sleeve bearings
- Capable of running dry for short periods



OIL-RILED BEARING HOUSING

Increases bearing life

SEAL AND BEARING SUB-ASSEMBLY

Reduces maintenance time

DUCTILE IRON CASING AND BEARING HOUSING

Increases durability

DOUBLE-ROW THRUST BEARINGS

Absorb all impeller loads

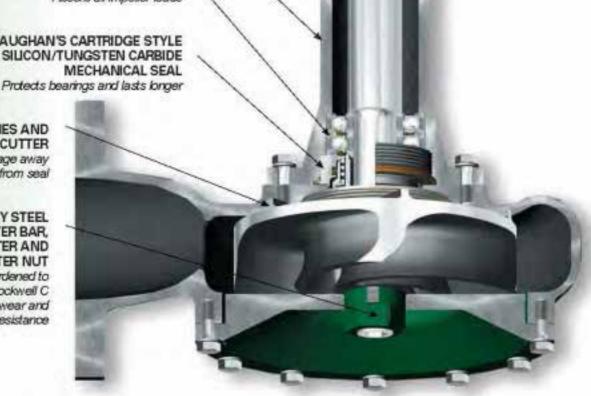
VAUGHAN'S CARTRIDGE STYLE SILICON/TUNGSTEN CARBIDE

PUMP-OUT VANES AND UPPER CUTTER

> Keeps pumpage away from seal

CAST ALLOY STEEL IMPELLER, CUTTER BAR, UPPER CUTTER AND CUTTER NUT

Case hardened to minimum 60 Rockwell C hardness for wear and impact resistance



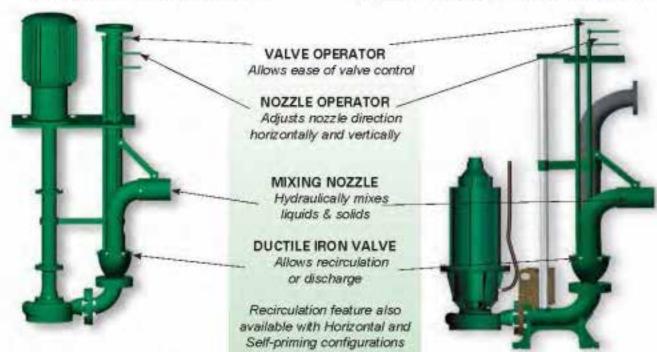
# SPECIALTY PUMPS

# **Recirculator Chopper Pumps**

- Easy above-deck access to valve and nozzle operators
- · Manual or fully automated operation available
- · Recirculation feature also available with Horizontal and Self-priming configurations

### Vertical Recirculator

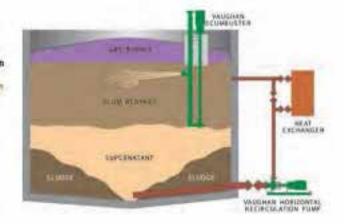
### Submersible Recirculator



Scumbuster®

The Vaughan Scumbuster® virtually eliminates the effects of a scum blanket and prevents it from reforming by homogenizing and conditioning through a recirculation nozzle. This type of mixing allows digesters to regain their design capacity, extends the time between cleanouts and helps generate more

methane gas. The Vaughan Scumbuster® operating with the Vaughan® Chopper Pump on digester recirculation has proven successful not only to eliminate heat exchanger clogging, but also to replace other failed digester mixing systems.





# Electric Submersible "S" Series

- · Available with rail system or portable
- · Adaptable to most guide rail systems

#### **EXPLOSION PROOF MOTOR**

UL Listed Explosion Proof or non-Explosion Proof, with moisture sensor and tandem mechanical seals. Also available in Continuous In-Air or Close-Loop Cooled

#### CARTRIDGE SEALS

Vaughan cartridge seal in lower housing

#### PUMP OUT VANES AND UPPER CUTTER

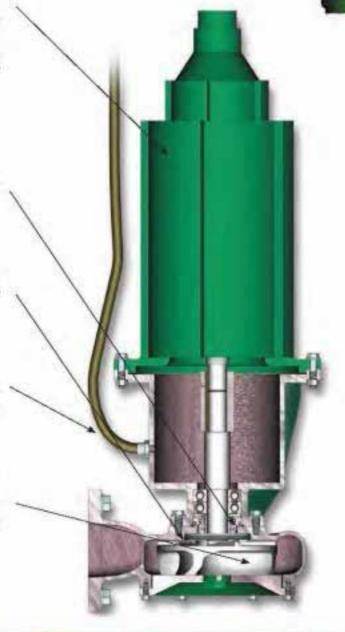
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#### OIL LEVEL MONITOR

System constantly monitors oil level in the bearing housing

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# **SUBMERSIBLES**

# Electric Submersible "E" Series

- · Traditional submersible design
- · Upgraded lower seal is standard
- · Hydraulic version also available

#### **EXPLOSION PROOF MOTOR**

UL Listed Explosion Proof or non-Explosion Proof, with moisture sensor and tandem mechanical seals. Also available in Continuous In-Air

#### TANDEM MECHANICAL SEALS

Includes lower tungsten carbide mechanical seal for maximum motor protection

#### PUMP OUT VANES AND UPPER CUTTER

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#### DUCTILE IRON BACK PULL-OUT CASING

Provides adjustable impeller-to-cutter bar clearance extending parts life

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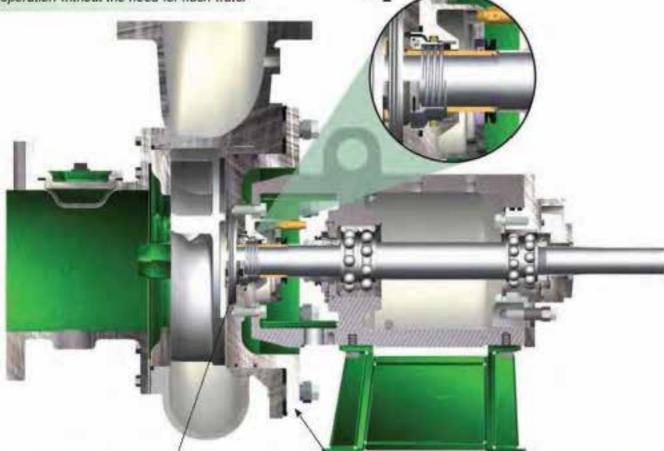
### E-Series "Flushless"

- · Flushless design, no need for flush water
- · Heavy duty cartridge mechanical seal assures dependability
- · Heavy duty combined bearing frame design
- · Externally adjustable cutter clearances
- · Flushed seals available per request



#### FLUSHLESS VAUGHAN® CARTRIDGE MECHANICAL SEAL

Heavy duty design provides reliable long-term operation without the need for flush water



#### **ELIMINATES STUFFING BOX**

No stuffing box means less chance of solids collecting in seal area

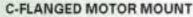
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# **PEDESTAL**

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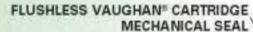
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Piloted for self-alignment



Absorb shaft loads



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### **Features**

- · Self-priming up to 24'
- Heavy duty cartridge seal design assures dependability
- · 4" 10" discharge available
- · Available in direct or belt drive
- · 100 5000+ GPM



# HEAT TREATED ALLOY STEEL CHOPPER IMPELLER, CUTTER BAR AND UPPER CUTTER

Handles all incoming solids without clogging

DUCTILE IRON HOUSING, CASING AND BEARING HOUSING Increases durability

OVERSIZED CLEANOUT
Allows easy access

VAUGHAN'S CARTRIDGE STYLE SILICON/TUNGSTEN CARBIDE MECHANICAL SEAL

Isolates pumpage from bearings and motor

> THRUST BEARINGS Absorb at loads

OIL LUBRICATION
Keeps bearings and seal cool and
running smooth

ADJUSTABLE CASING AND ROTATING ASSEMBLY For ease of maintenance



# **INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS**

### Paper and Wood Products

Broke Pits Carbonized Bark Chip Conveyors Clarifier Scum Coal Pile Runoff Conveyor Gallery Sumps Drainage Sumps By Ash Knot and Bark Handling Log Soaking Vats Lime Sludge Transfer Underflow to Dewatering Woodyard Sumps



### Food Processing

Blood Carrots Chickens Corn Husks Ears, Hair, Hooves, Horns Fat Feathers Fish Reshings Hide Pieces Potatoes Turkeys Tomatoes



#### Automotive / Steel

Boiler Blowdown Chrome Plating Slurries Coke Breeze Coke Tar Decanter Sludge Glass and Plastic Iron Ore Pellets Metal, Machine Chips Mill Scale **Oil Washdown** Paint Overspray Sludge **Boll Grinder Coolant (Swart)** 



### Chemical / Petrochemical

API Separators Coke Slurries **Detergent Cakes** Latex Skins Lead Oxide Slurries Oil Waste Plastics **Pumice Hand Cleaner** Refinery Mud Storm Drains Sulfur Froth



### Mining / Sand & Gravel

Acid Mine Water Coal and Sand Washing Concrete Batch Plant Sumps Sand and Gravel Silt Ponds Truck Washdown Sumps



### Contractor Services

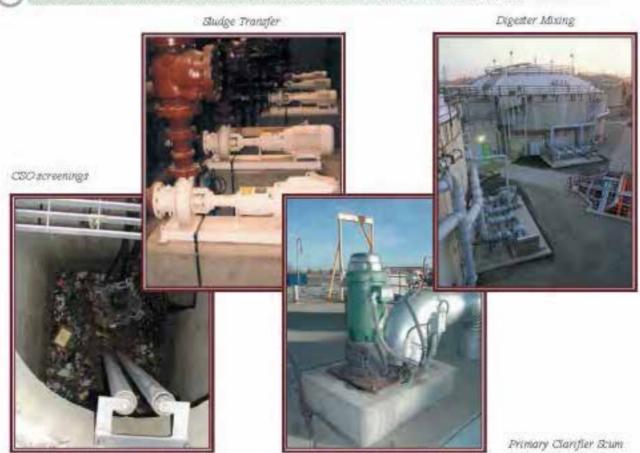
Hazardous Waste Cleanup Lagoon Cleaning Recycled Solvents Sludge Dewatering Storage Tank Cleanout



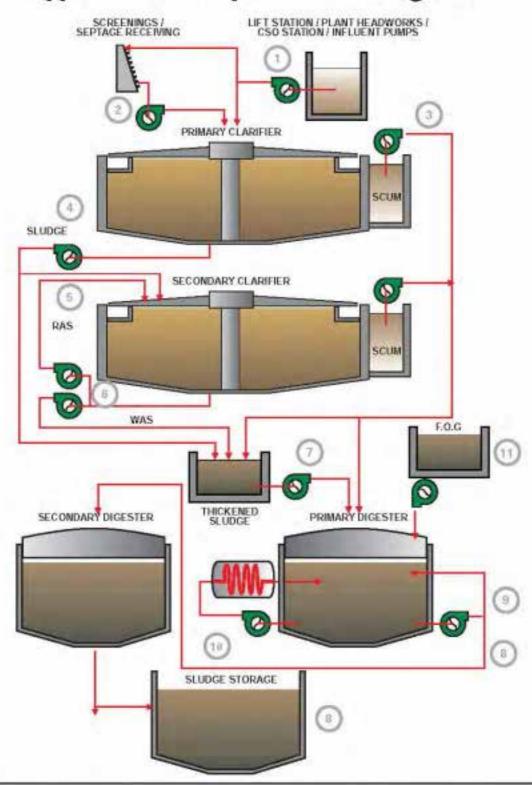


## **Wastewater Applications**

- RAW SEWAGE Used in Lift stations, CSO facilities, headworks, prisons, hospitals, restaurants
- 2 SCREENINGS / SEPTAGE Easily chops raw concentrated solids including rags, plastics and hair
- CLARIFIER SCUM PITS Transfers or conditions Primary & Secondary scum without plugging or air binding
- SLUDGE TRANSFER Eliminates "roping" and clogging in clarifier underflow to thickeners.
- (5) (6) RAS / WAS Continuously conditions Return and Waste Activated Sludges
- THICKENED SLUDGE / DIGESTED SLUDGE TRANSFER Handles high sludge consistencies
- B (9) TANK MIXING @Rotamix System conditions and mixes in a dual-zone rotational flow pattern
  - 10 DIGESTER RECIRCULATION Eliminates heat exchanger clogging while conditioning studge
  - F.O.G (Fats, Oils, and Grease) Uses organic waste to enhance methane production



# **Typical Municipal Flow Diagram**







**CHOPPER PUMPS** 

Wet Wells, Dry Wells, Submersibles, Self-Primers, Recirculators



PROCESS MIXING SYSTEM
Tank and Digoster Mixing



SCREW CENTRIFUGAL PUMPS
Wet Wells,
Dry Wells, Submersibles

#### **Specialty Products**

Foambuster\*, Floor Washer System, Seafood Pre-Grinder Kit, Small Tank Mixing, Model 240, Hopper Chopper, Vortex Chopper, Turbo Mixer, Floating Prop Mixer, Unmanned Floating Platform, Vaughan 3-Way Valve





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