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11	Abstract: To solve the blockage and fouling issues of sewage heat exchangers in
12	sewage source heat pump, a novel de-foulant hydrocyclone with ejection device was
13	proposed and studied with FLUENT software. The pressure and velocity fields were
14	coupled by the SIMPLEC algorithm, whereas the Reynolds Stress Model was used to
15	predict the 3-D strong swirling turbulent flow due to its anisotropic nature. The
16	Discrete Particle Method was employed to study the particle motion. Results showed
17	that, compared with the variable underflow-pipe diameter, adjusting the ejection
18	velocity could significantly enhance the separation performance by achieving the low
19	split ratio without the risk of blocking the underflow pipe. Unlike the effects of
20	conventional ejectors, the increasing ejection velocity increased the back pressure of
21	the underflow and hence decreased the split ratio. Specifically, if the ejection velocity
22	was higher than a certain value (e.g., 2.0 m/s in this paper), all the 3-D strong swirling

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