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Filtering Out Maintenance

If your water filters require periodic cleaning and maintenance, take a tip from greenhouse owners who have switched to the Tekleen water filter manufactured by Automatic Filters, Inc., of Los Angeles, CA.

"It's a very efficient and trouble-free filter," says Ashley Smith of Ulery Greenhouse in Springfield, OH. "We put in a new greenhouse a year ago and looked at what was available to solve our primary problem of trying to control iron and sediment. In the past we had used a media filter for the iron. We discovered that the cost of the Tekleen filter was about 75% less than the other filters to do the same job. There's no maintenance whatsoever. All we have to do is replace a

nine-volt battery once a year. It's basically a no brainer."

Hank Maday, owner of Maday's Wholesale Greenhouse in Crete, IL, also appreciates the maintenance-free feature of the Tekleen filter.

"We used a cartridge filter before

and were constantly having to take it apart and clean it, sometimes as often as every three or four days," he says. "Between the cost of the filters and the time it took to clean it, it was getting expensive. We don't even notice the flushing with the Tekleen filter."

The Tekleen water filter is a low-cost, self-cleaning system that requires no maintenance or attendance. As dirt particles collect on the screen, the line pressure at the filter outlet drops. When the pressure reaches a preset differential, the backwash cycle begins. Within seconds and without interrupting the main flow, vacuum nozzles aggressively suction the dirt from the inside of the screen and flush it out to the drain using just two gallons of rinse water.

"Tekleen filters are replacing other kinds of filters in irrigation systems because they use less water and require less maintenance," says Gideon Brunn, president of Automatic Filters, Inc.

For more information about Tekleen filters, call 310-839-2828 or visit www.tekleen.com. **GG**

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