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## APPENDICES

### Appendix A Calculation.

Permeability, define in equation A1, is a measure of membrane ability to permeate molecules

$$P = \frac{\text{flux}}{\frac{\Delta P}{l}} \quad (\text{A1})$$

where  $P$  = Permeability ( $\mu\text{mol}/(\text{cmHg}\cdot\text{cm}\cdot\text{s})$ )

flux = amount of permeate per membrane area in run time  
 $\mu\text{mol}/(\text{cm}^2 \text{s})$

$\Delta P$  = Pressure Drop (cmHg)

$l$  = Membrane Thickness (cm)

## Appendix B Membrane pervaporation results.

**Table B1** Concentration of each component (wt%) in the feed charger, permeate and retentate using polyimide membrane. Feed composition (wt. ratio) PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| Component<br>Concentration | Feed   | Permeate | Retentate |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|-----------|
| wt% PX                     | 27.513 | 33.192   | 29.215    |
| wt% OX                     | 27.435 | 31.778   | 27.424    |
| wt% n-heptane              | 24.033 | 22.741   | 27.177    |
| wt% 1-hexene               | 21.019 | 12.289   | 16.184    |

**Table B2** Concentration of each component (wt%) in the feed charger, permeate and retentate using 10 wt% silicalite/polyimide mixed matrix membrane. Feed composition (wt. ratio) PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| Component<br>Concentration | Feed   | Permeate | Retentate |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|-----------|
| wt% PX                     | 28.137 | 47.564   | 28.392    |
| wt% OX                     | 28.083 | 45.989   | 28.303    |
| wt% n-heptane              | 23.767 | 5.716    | 23.708    |
| wt% 1-hexene               | 20.013 | 0.731    | 19.597    |

**Table B3** Concentration of each component (wt%) in the feed charger, permeate and retentate using 20 wt% silicalite/polyimide mixed matrix membrane. Feed composition (wt. ratio) PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| Component<br>Concentration | Feed   | Permeate | Retentate |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|-----------|
| wt% PX                     | 27.648 | 47.564   | 27.625    |
| wt% OX                     | 27.515 | 45.989   | 27.455    |
| wt% n-heptane              | 23.914 | 5.716    | 23.957    |
| wt% 1-hexene               | 20.924 | 0.731    | 20.962    |

**Table B4** Concentration of each component (wt%) in the feed charger, permeate and retentate using 30 wt% silicalite/polyimide mixed matrix membrane. Feed composition (wt. ratio) PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| Sample | Feed   |        |               |              |
|--------|--------|--------|---------------|--------------|
|        | wt% PX | wt% OX | wt% n-heptane | wt% 1-hexene |
| 1      | 27.012 | 26.871 | 24.533        | 21.585       |
| 2      | 27.181 | 27.024 | 23.856        | 21.939       |
| 3      | 27.326 | 27.173 | 23.885        | 21.616       |

| Sample | Permeate |        |               |              |
|--------|----------|--------|---------------|--------------|
|        | wt% PX   | wt% OX | wt% n-heptane | wt% 1-hexene |
| 1      | 50.571   | 47.730 | 1.700         | 0.000        |
| 2      | 77.368   | 22.632 | 0             | 0            |
| 3      | 52.981   | 47.019 | 0             | 0            |

| Sample | Retentate |        |               |              |
|--------|-----------|--------|---------------|--------------|
|        | wt% PX    | wt% OX | wt% n-heptane | wt% 1-hexene |
| 1      | 27.055    | 26.924 | 24.505        | 21.516       |
| 2      | 27.308    | 27.159 | 23.858        | 21.676       |
| 3      | 27.345    | 27.200 | 23.932        | 21.523       |

**Table B5** Separation factor of polyimide membrane. Feed composition (wt. ratio)  
 PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| A:B Separation factor |       |       |           |          |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-----------|----------|
| A<br>B                | PX    | OX    | n-heptane | 1-hexene |
| PX                    | 1.000 | 0.960 | 0.784     | 0.485    |
| OX                    | 1.042 | 1.000 | 0.817     | 0.505    |
| n-heptane             | 1.275 | 1.224 | 1.000     | 0.618    |
| 1-hexene              | 2.063 | 1.981 | 1.620     | 1.000    |

**Table B6** Separation factor of 10 wt% silicalite/polyimide mixed matrix membrane.  
Feed composition (wt. ratio) PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| A:B Separation factor |        |        |           |          |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|-----------|----------|
| A<br>B                | PX     | OX     | n-heptane | 1-hexene |
| PX                    | 1.000  | 0.969  | 0.142     | 0.022    |
| OX                    | 1.032  | 1.000  | 0.147     | 0.022    |
| n-heptane             | 7.029  | 6.809  | 1.000     | 0.152    |
| 1-hexene              | 46.299 | 44.851 | 6.590     | 1.000    |

**Table B7** Separation factor of 20 wt% silicalite/polyimide mixed matrix membrane.  
Feed composition (wt. ratio) PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| A:B Separation factor |          |          |           |          |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| A<br>B                | PX       | OX       | n-heptane | 1-hexene |
| PX                    | 1.000    | 0.777    | 0.026     | 0.000    |
| OX                    | 1.288    | 1.000    | 0.033     | 0.000    |
| n-heptane             | 39.072   | 30.344   | 1.000     | 0.000    |
| 1-hexene              | $\infty$ | $\infty$ | $\infty$  | 1.000    |

**Table B8** Separation factor of 30 wt% silicalite/polyimide mixed matrix membrane.  
Feed composition (wt. ratio) PX: OX: n-heptane: 1-hexene = 1:1:1:1

| A:B Separation factor |          |          |           |          |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| A<br>B \              | PX       | OX       | n-heptane | 1-hexene |
| PX                    | 1.000    | 0.712    | 0.000     | 0.000    |
| OX                    | 1.858    | 1.000    | 0.000     | 0.000    |
| n-heptane             | 27.020   | 25.636   | 1.000     | 0.000    |
| 1-hexene              | $\infty$ | $\infty$ | $\infty$  | 1.000    |

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