# **Testing Summary**

Recent Independent Cleaning Efficiency Testing\* by Nilfisk-Advance

### **Testing Facilities**

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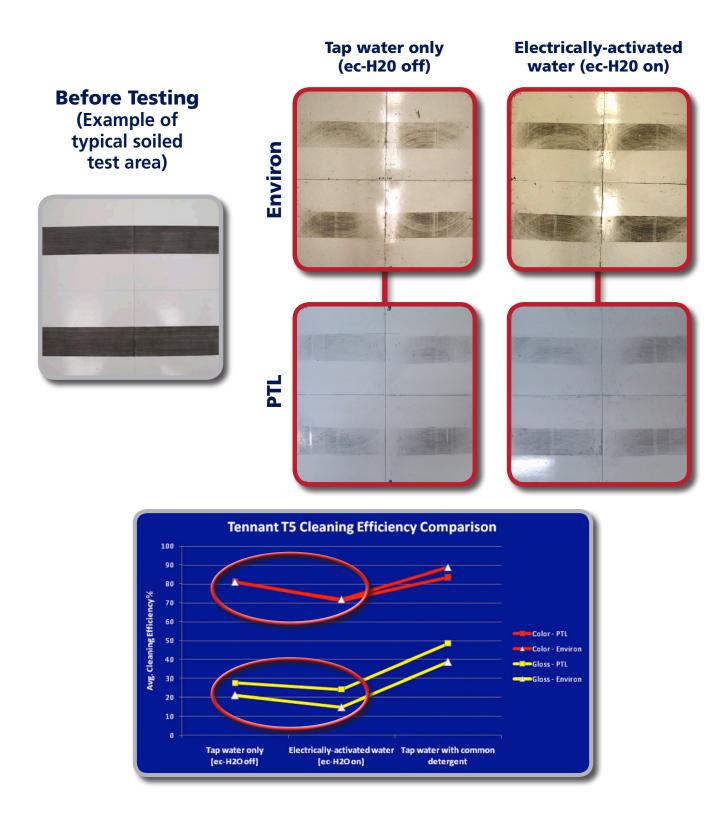
#### **Testing Summary**

- Each lab directly purchased a new Tennant T5 automatic scrubber with the ec-H2O system.
- The labs independently measured the cleaning efficiency of a new Tennant T5 using three different cleaning solutions:
  - with plain tap water (ec-H2O off)
  - with electrically-activated water (ec-H2O on)
  - with tap water and detergent
- Each test consisted of six sample areas placed one at a time, each cleaned by a single pass of the scrubber.
- Measurements used for evaluation include both gloss meter readings and spectrophotometer (grayscale) readings taken at 20 points per sample area.
- Cleaning efficiencies were calculated using the formula from ASTM D 4488 section A5:
  % cleaning efficiency = (data value of cleaned tile) (data value of soiled tile)
  (data value of tile before soiling) (data value of soiled tile)

#### **Results Summary**

#### Electrically-activated water performed no better than plain tap water.

Statistically significant testing results from the two independent, accredited labs consistently show that a Tennant T5 floor scrubber using electrically-activated water performed no better than when that scrubber cleaned with only tap water.



## **Results Summary**

# Electrically-activated water did not clean as effectively as tap water plus detergent.

The results also indicate that when cleaning with electrically-activated water, the scrubber did not clean as effectively as when the scrubber cleaned with tap water plus detergent.

**Electrically-activated Tap water plus** water (ec-H20 on) detergent **Before Testing** (Example of typical soiled **Environ** test area) **Tennant T5 Cleaning Efficiency Comparison** 100 90 80 Avg. Cleaning Efficiency % 70 60 Color- PTL 50 Color - Environ 40 Gloss - PTL 30 Gloss - Environ 20 Electrically-activated water Tap water with common Tap water only (ec-H2O off) (ec-H2O on) detergent

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