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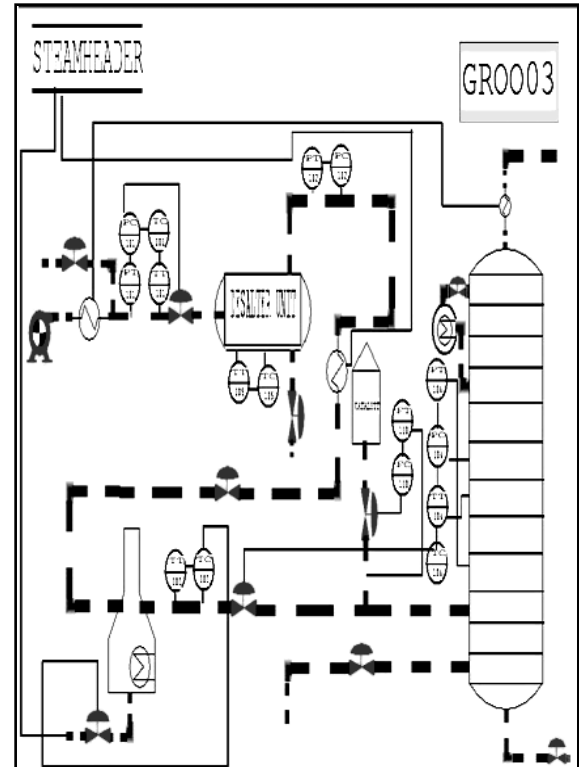


Fig. 6.1: Simulated layout of Refining and Corrosion Control

## 6 Simulated Output

The simulated output shows the complete process of the explained paper. The output gives an clear idea on the overall process. The vacuum over the sample is then replaced with an inert gas (such as nitrogen or argon) and the distillate receiver can then be stopper and removed from the system. All refineries utilize some form of desecrate water treatment so water effluents can securely bare turned to the environment or reused in the refinery. The design of waste water treatment plants is complicated by the diversity of refinery pollutants, including oil, phenols, sulfides, dissolved solids, and toxic compounds. Although the treatment processes employed by refineries vary greatly, they generally include neutralizers, oil/water separators, settling chambers, clarifiers, dissolved air flotation systems, coagulators, aerated lagoons, and activated sludge ponds. Refinery water effluents are collected from various processing units and are conveyed through sewers and ditches to the treatment plant.

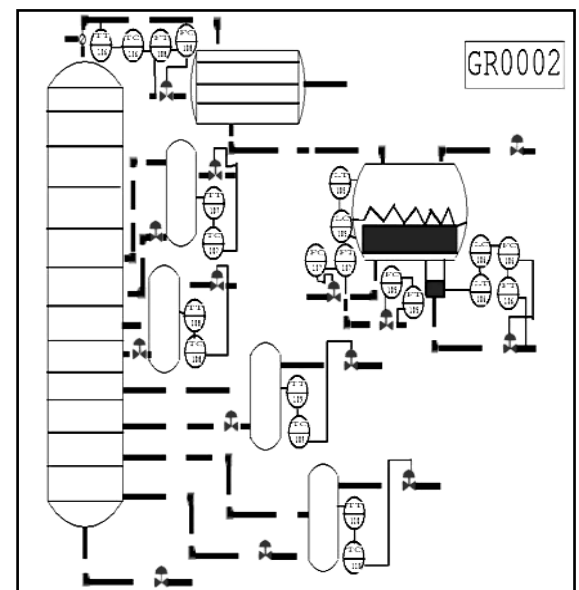


Fig. 6.2: Control Loops in the refining process



