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**Process Conditions**

- Water Flow Rate: 500 GPM
- Temperature Rise: 45°F
- Steam Pressure: 135 PSIG
- Water Pressure: 45 PSIG
- Steam Flow: 9,675 lbs./hr.

**Solution**

Pick Model 6X100-3 Constant Flow Heater is an excellent choice for brown stock washer service. It can be dedicated to a single washer or used as a central supply for multiple units. It responds rapidly to variations in supply water flow rate or temperature to maintain precise control over discharge temperature. Liquor displacement efficiency is maximized. Accurate temperature control eliminates the potential for flashing on vacuum type washers. Compact and straight flow-through design also makes the Pick Heater the correct choice.

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