

Press release

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Veolia Nuclear Solutions Opens New Lafayette Office to Design and Develop New Technology

Consolidates Two Colorado Locations to Advance Work on Long-Range, Heavy Payload Capabilities

Veolia Nuclear Solutions (VNS) North America today opened its new Lafayette, Colorado, facility, bringing together two existing offices in the state under one roof. This facility will significantly expand VNS' capability to design and develop the cutting-edge technologies that will address tomorrow's challenges in waste management, decontamination, and decommissioning.

"The state-of-the-art Lafayette facility will be a hub of innovation for all facets of Veolia Nuclear Solutions," **said Chris Woodhead, Chief Operating Officer, Veolia Nuclear Solutions North America.** "Colorado has a rich history of spurring new ideas in engineering that solve tomorrow's problems and improve lives. VNS is proud to have made this investment here, and we look forward to everything it will yield."

The Lafayette office will be an essential component to VNS operations across the globe. VNS invested over \$1 million into the new facility to both expand its development capabilities and recruit new talent. Employees at this site will support many aspects of the nuclear remote handling industry. Those include decommissioning of complex legacy facilities, damaged reactors, and graphite reactors, and operational support for Fusion and New Build Nuclear reactors.

The expanded facility reflects Colorado's role as a VNS hub of engineering and innovation, with a history dating back to 1992. VNS will specifically use the Lafayette facility to expand its design and development of new robotic and remote handling technology in a cohesive manner. It will enable innovations on long-reach and high payload capabilities, and the wider application and optimization of remote handling technologies. These technologies will be deployed in various ventures, such as the ongoing work VNS is carrying out at the Fukushima Daiichi 1Fsite in Japan. Such innovations will also help with adjacent markets where high hazard environments exist like Oli and Gas reducing human exposure to harmful materials.

Several VNS clients were on hand for today's opening in Lafayette. Those included IHI, a client of VNS for more than a decade, who worked with the company after the accident at Fukushima on remediating and decommissioning the challenging site. The entities have delivered many projects together and are currently working significant projects relating to the decommissioning of Fukushima 1F Site.

Veolia Nuclear Solutions (VNS) aims to be the future leader in the decontamination and decommissioning of nuclear installations. It offers the most comprehensive range of technologies and services for facility management, decommissioning, and the treatment of radioactive waste, all nurtured by nuclear experts and backed by thousands

of Veolia staff worldwide. It is helping to clean up significant global environmental threats by providing bespoke technologies and services for the most challenging environmental cleanup and decommissioning & dismantling projects. www.nuclearsolutions.veolia.com.

Veolia group aims to become the benchmark company for ecological transformation. With nearly 220,000 employees worldwide, the Group designs and deploys game-changing solutions that are both useful and practical for water, waste and energy management. Through its three complementary activities, Veolia helps to develop access to resources, preserve available resources and renew them. In 2021, Veolia supplied 79 million people with drinking water and 61 million people with wastewater services, produced nearly 48 million megawatt hours of energy and treated 48 million metric tons of waste. Veolia Environnement (Paris Euronext: Veolia Environnement (Paris Euronext: VIE) achieved consolidated revenue of 28.508 billion euros in 2021. www.veolia.com

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