

Waterline Technology® announced that its WQA Gold Seal-certified products will now proudly display the Sustainability Certification Mark on its POU products in addition to their current WQA Gold Seal certification marks. 💧

Better Water Industries Inc., having successfully and safely treated methane with its Sentry I Open-Air system for gas reduction for years, has gained highly coveted approval from the state of Wisconsin to treat methane in water. 💧

North America New corporate offices for Carbon Activated



Carbon Activated Corp. announced the opening of its new corporate premises at 2250 South Central Avenue, Compton, CA, 90220. The new facility has 30,000-square feet dedicated to house an ultra-modern office and will include all corporate office staff (inclusive of Sales, Administration, Accounting and Finance and Human Resources). The previous location will be transformed to house a state-of-the-art media testing laboratory and will also be the site for the regeneration plant, in addition to the service and warehouse divisions. The company's other locations include Stockton, CA; Phoenix, AZ; Buffalo, NY; Ontario,

Canada; Bristol, UK; Tianjin, China and Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Name change for US Peroxide

U.S. Peroxide, LLC changed its name to USP Technologies™ in May. The change builds upon the company's successful track record of 20+ years of providing full-service peroxygen-based programs to the municipal and industrial water treatment market. Changing the name will help to better describe the company's continued commitment to expanding their technology offering by adding new value-added solutions, while at the same time expanding geographic capability to be able to provide service programs to customers outside of North America.

Calgon Carbon Corporation first-quarter results

Calgon Carbon Corporation announced that first-quarter sales for the Activated Carbon and Service segment increased 4.3 percent as compared to the first quarter of 2014. The improvement was primarily due to higher sales of activated carbon products and services for the potable water market in the US, as well as in the environmental air market, principally in North America for mercury removal. These increases were partially offset by decreases in demand for activated carbon products and services for the food, respirator and environmental water markets. On May 5, Calgon's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.05 per share, payable on June 15.

Parliamentarians engaged by Canadian organizations

The Canadian Institute of Plumbing & Heating (CIPH) and the Mechanical Contractors Association of Canada (MCA Canada) jointly held another highly suc-

cessful Parliamentary Day of Awareness in May in Ottawa. Represented by key executives of both associations, they met with several senior officials and Parliamentarians to enhance the profile of the industry in government circles and discuss two key items of mutual concern: specifically prompt-payment provisions in federal contracts and uniform and harmonized model codes and energy efficiency regulations for Canada.

EPD verified by NSF

The Uni-Bell PVC Pipe Association (PVCPA) has published the first North American, industry-wide environmental product declaration (EPD) for water and sewer piping, and it has been verified by NSF Sustainability, a division of global public health organization NSF International. The EPD was developed in compliance with international environmental management guidelines (ISO 14025) and benchmarks the impacts of seven PVC pipe products across their life cycles. This includes PVC pressure pipe for potable water, reclaimed water and sewer force main systems, as well as PVC non-pressure pipe for storm sewer and sanitary sewer systems. NSF Sustainability reviewed and verified the life-cycle assessment (on which the EPD is based) and EPD documents to ensure that no unsubstantiated claims were made and that the EPD followed all applicable rules.

Clean Water Rule update

US EPA and the US Army finalized the *Clean Water Rule* to clearly protect from pollution and degradation the streams and wetlands that form the foundation of the nation's water resources. The rule ensures that waters protected under the *Clean Water Act* are more precisely defined and predictably determined, making permitting less costly, easier and faster

CI	Certified Installer	OEM	original equipment manufacturer	VFD	variable frequency drive
CIP	clean in place	ORP	oxidation-reduction potential	VOC	volatile organic compounds
CWS	Certified Water Specialist	PE	Professional Engineer	Organizations and Associations	
DI	deionization	PLC	programmable logic controller	ANSI	American National Standards Institute
DBP	disinfection byproduct	POE	point of entry	ASPE	American Society of Plumbing Engineers
EDI	electrodeionization	POU	point of use	CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
FRP	fiberglass reinforced plastic	PVC	polyvinylchloride	FDA	US Food and Drug Administration
GAC	granulated activated carbon	RO	reverse osmosis	IAMPO	International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials
gpd	gallons per day	TOC	total organic carbon	NGWA	National Ground Water Association
gpm	gallons per minute	THM	trihalomethane	NSF	National Sanitation Foundation
MF	microfiltration	TDS	total dissolved solids	US EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency
MWS	Master Water Specialist	UF	ultrafiltration	WQA	Water Quality Association
NOM	natural organic matter	UV	ultraviolet	WRF	Water Research Foundation

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for businesses and industry. The rule is grounded in law and the latest science, and is shaped by public input. It does not create any new permitting requirements for agriculture and maintains all previous exemptions and exclusions.

Swimming pool myths addressed

As the swimming season kicks off, health experts from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Water Quality and Health Council (WQHC) and the National Swimming Pool Foundation (NSPF) have teamed up to launch a campaign to stop people from urinating in pools. To do so, they are busting a couple of colorful myths associated with this clandestine activity. According to a new survey conducted by Survata on behalf of the WQHC, nearly half of Americans surveyed incorrectly believe that there is a chemical that is added to pools that turns a conspicuous color in the presence of urine. The fact is, there is no such dye that currently exists. In the same survey, 71 percent also incorrectly blame chlorine for causing swimmers' eyes to become red and irritated. In fact, when nitrogen-containing compounds found in urine, sweat and dirt combine with chlorine, irritants are formed. These substances, not the chlorine itself, irritate the eyes, skin and respiratory system.

Water for People fund-raising success reported

With unprecedented support from committees, partners and donors, Water For People announced it met its Spring Campaign fund-raising goal of \$300,000

(USD). ARCADIS, a long-time Water For People partner, was so impressed by this momentum they decided to up the ante and accelerate donor impact in a big way. Through June 12, ARCADIS matched all monetary donations up to \$25,000. This investment accelerated Water For People's progress toward reaching four million people with access to safe water and sanitation in nine countries.

Latin America Krones Academy opened in Colombia

Krones Andina has built its own training center for the operating and maintenance staff of Krones' clients at its facility in Bogotá, Colombia, in close liaison with the Krones Academy. In early May, the new training center was inaugurated in the buildings of the Colombian subsidiary. Krones Andina is responsible for providing life-cycle service support in a territory that includes not only Colombia, but also Venezuela, Ecuador, Peru and Panama. The training center's principal mission is to foster and inculcate soundly based, in-depth knowledge among the clients' staff and to prepare them for handling new machine technologies.

Europe Severn Trent share sale with Italian company announced

Severn Trent Plc and Industrie De Nora SpA have reached a definitive agreement for the share sale of Severn's water purification business to De Nora. In addition to being known for its high-quality products, De Nora brings very strong

engineering and product development capabilities that will enhance the combined offering with innovative and robust solutions for customers around the world. Since 2002, Severn Trent and De Nora have been partners in a successful joint venture, Severn Trent De Nora, which specializes in electrochemical processes for water and wastewater treatment for the municipal, onshore and offshore energy and marine sectors. The transaction, which included this entity, was expected to be completed before summer.

Middle East Golden anniversary celebrated by IDE

IDE Technologies recently celebrated 50 years of achievement and excellence at a company weekend in Eilat, Israel. Two hundred fifty employees in Israel and their families were invited to the jubilee celebration. The weekend included an evening of tribute to the company's significant milestone. In a speech to the gathering, CEO Avshalom Felber referenced the company's many achievements over the years, including helping solve Israel's water shortage and erecting the world's largest RO desalination plants. The initial kernel of the desalination initiative started to take shape in 1958 and in May 1965, IDE was officially registered as a desalination company with the company registrar. Since then, the company has been involved in the development and construction of more than 400 desalination and industrial water treatment plants worldwide, delivering three million cubic meters of high-quality water per day.