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Air Liquide commissions two facilities in the Bayport Industrial District in Texas

Air Liquide hosted a grand opening event this week for two packaged gas facilities in the Bayport Industrial District, southeast of Houston, Texas.

The facilities, a cylinder filling center located on the grounds of Air Liquide's industrial gas production complex in La Porte and a facility in Pasadena that produces specialty gas mixtures, were recently redesigned and rebuilt with industry-leading technologies that enhance safety and optimize productivity, efficiency and reliability.

The La Porte cylinder filling center features an innovative automated system that blends and packages pure industrial gases produced on-site such as oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen and rare gases, incorporating state-of-the-art technology to fill cylinders with enhanced precision and accuracy. The facility in Pasadena features Air Liquide's in-house mixing technology as well as some of the most modern safety and gas detection equipment available, enabling Air Liquide to expand its blending and analytical capabilities.

The facilities will serve customers in a range of industries. Industrial and specialty gases are used for many applications, including research, analysis, process control, manufacturing, and many others.

John Buckley, CEO of Air Liquide USA LLC, commented, *"These state of the art specialty gas facilities embody the Air Liquide mission to serve customers with operational excellence, incorporating best-in-class technologies to optimize productivity, reliability, and most importantly, safety, in our cylinder operations. These facilities are vital assets of Air Liquide, and we are proud of their important role in the strength and growth of industry and this region."*

Air Liquide's history in the Bayport Industrial District dates back to the mid-1960s, and today employs nearly 300 people at multiple facilities in La Porte and Pasadena.



Pictured, from left: Mat Jacob, Vice President, Operations, Air Liquide America Specialty Gases LLC; Annika Bergman, Vice President of Sales & Marketing, Air Liquide America Specialty Gases LLC; Consul Sujiro

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Seam, Consulate General of France in Houston; Mayor Louis Rigby, City of La Porte; John Buckley, CEO, Air Liquide USA LLC; Mayor Johnny Isbell, City of Pasadena; David Meneses, President of Air Liquide America Specialty Gases LLC; Dr. Stephen Miller, Chief Technology Officer, Air Liquide America Specialty Gases LLC; Ole Hoefelmann, CEO, Air Liquide Advanced Technologies U.S. LLC and Chairman of Voltaix; Remi Charachon, Vice President of the Industrial Merchant World Business Line of Air Liquide; Eric Klein, Region Manager, Air Liquide America Specialty Gases LLC.

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World leader in gases, technologies and services for Industry and Health, Air Liquide is present in 80 countries with more than 50,000 employees and serves more than 2 million customers and patients. Air Liquide's ambition is to be the leader in its industry, delivering long-term performance and acting responsibly.

Air Liquide ideas create value over the long term. At the core of the company's development are the commitment and constant inventiveness of its people.

Air Liquide anticipates the challenges of its markets, invests locally and globally, and delivers high-quality solutions to its customers and patients, and the scientific community.

The company relies on competitiveness in its operations, targeted investments in growing markets and innovation to deliver profitable growth over the long-term.

Air Liquide's revenues amounted to € 15.2 billion in 2013, and its solutions that protect life and the environment represented around 40% of sales. Air Liquide is listed on the Paris Euronext stock exchange (compartment A) and is a member of the CAC 40 and Dow Jones Euro Stoxx 50 indexes.