

Jacobs Awarded EPC Contract for Sirius Minerals' New Materials Handling Facility

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Engineering, Procurement and Construction Scope for the North Yorkshire Polyhalite Project

DALLAS, Oct. 11, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- **Jacobs Engineering Group Inc.** (NYSE:JEC) received an engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contract from **Sirius Minerals PLC** for its new materials handling facility (MHF) in Teesside, England. The MHF is being constructed as part of the company's North Yorkshire Polyhalite Project, which will supply a **unique type of potash fertilizer**.

Fertilizers play an important role in the agriculture industry and in food supply, providing the nutrients required for healthy plant growth. Polyhalite is a unique multi-nutrient mineral containing four of the six macro-nutrients that plants need: potassium, sulfur, magnesium and calcium. The MHF will crush the polyhalite ore from the mine near Whitby, England, and granulate it for use in agricultural equipment before sending it to the nearby dock for shipping.

"As the EPC provider for Sirius Minerals' materials handling facility, Jacobs is delivering more than a full life cycle solution on this project—we're delivering a facility that is scalable and able to support changing agriculture needs," said Jacobs Mining, Minerals and Technology Senior Vice President and General Manager Andrew Berryman. "From the run of mine stockpile to the final product loadout, the materials handling facility will contribute to local and global food supply."

Jacobs is designing the MHF to handle seven million tonnes per annum (MTPA) of granulated product in its first phase of development, with expansion considerations being developed into the design to support up to 20 MTPA of the granulated product. In addition, the facility will also handle three MTPA of coarse product.

"Securing a partnership with a company the calibre of Jacobs is great for us and a testament to the world-class nature of this project," said Sirius Minerals Chief Development Officer Simon Carter. "Their knowledge of EPC projects in the mining sector is hugely valuable, as is their experience of construction projects on Teesside."

Through the development of its North Yorkshire Polyhalite Project, the world's largest and highest-grade deposit, Sirius Minerals will become a leading global producer of polyhalite. At full production, the project will create over 1,000 direct jobs and many more indirectly, and has the potential to generate over £2 billion of annual exports for the U.K.

Jacobs leads the global professional services sector delivering solutions for a more connected, sustainable world. With \$15 billion in fiscal 2017 revenue when combined with full-year CH2M revenues and a talent force of more than 77,000, Jacobs provides a full spectrum of services including scientific, technical, professional and construction- and program-management for business, industrial, commercial, government and infrastructure sectors. For more information, visit www.jacobs.com, and connect with Jacobs on **LinkedIn**, **Twitter**, **Facebook** and **Instagram**.

Statements made in this release that are not based on historical fact are forward-looking statements. We base these forward-looking statements on management's current estimates and expectations as well as currently available competitive, financial and economic data. Forward-looking statements, however, are inherently uncertain. There are a variety of factors that could cause business results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements. For a description of some of the factors which may occur that could cause actual results to differ from our forward-looking statements please refer to our Form 10-K for the year ended September 29, 2017, and in particular the discussions contained under Items 1 - Business, 1A - Risk Factors, 3 - Legal Proceedings, and 7 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. We do not undertake to update any forward-looking statements made herein.

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