

Jacobs Selected to Provide EPCM Services for Evonik's New Silica Plant

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Plant to produce precipitated silica for safer, more fuel-efficient tires to meet global demand

DALLAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- **Jacobs Engineering Group Inc.** (NYSE:JEC) has been selected by **Evonik** to provide engineering, procurement and construction management (EPCM) services for its new precipitated silica production plant located near Charleston, South Carolina. In close proximity to several large tire manufacturers, the plant is being built to meet global demand for safer, more energy-efficient tires that have better wet grip properties for motor vehicle roll reduction and higher fuel efficiency.

Jacobs was selected as the EPCM contractor for its application of inherent safety in facility design, safety leadership during field execution and in-depth knowledge of Evonik's facility standards and requirements. Construction of the plant is targeted for completion in 2018.

"Safety is a top priority for Jacobs and Evonik, and this project demonstrates the commitment we both have to provide a safe environment for our people who design, build and eventually work at the new plant," said Jacobs Life Sciences, Consumer Goods and Manufacturing Senior Vice President and General Manager Ken Gilmartin. "Once manufacturing commences, it will leave a lasting impact on Evonik's consumers and the community as a whole, providing safer, more energy-efficient tires."

Jacobs provides professional services to consumer goods and manufacturing markets globally, including specialty chemicals, semi-conductors, pulp and paper, consumer products and durable goods. From initial business planning through engineering, procurement, construction and asset maintenance, Jacobs provides end-to-end project solutions for these markets.

Jacobs is one of the world's largest and most diverse providers of full-spectrum technical, professional and construction services for industrial, commercial and government organizations globally. The company employs over 54,000 people and operates in more than 25 countries around the world. For more information, visit www.jacobs.com.

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