

Eurofins Eaton Analytical expands its US water testing footprint with the acquisition of UL's Water Testing Business

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Eurofins Eaton Analytical, Inc. (EEA), the largest potable water testing laboratory in the US, announces that it has signed an agreement to acquire the consumer and municipal water testing business of UL (Underwriters Laboratories). The transaction is expected to close no later than April 30.

With nearly 40 years as a leading provider of water quality analytical services, UL's water testing laboratory is certified to perform drinking water analyses in all 50 states. The 70,000 square-foot state-of-the-art laboratory employs 70 staff and generates revenues of over US \$8m. The laboratory has the second highest volume of US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3 (UCMR3) program contracts, after Eurofins Eaton Analytical (EEA). Therefore, with this acquisition, EEA reinforces its position as the premier laboratory in the US serving the UCMR3 needs of the EPA.

Located in South Bend, IN, the laboratory serves more than 7,000 state and local municipalities as well as bottlers, engineering firms, consultants and federal agencies such as the EPA and US Military. From comprehensive Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) compliance services to cutting-edge capabilities that analyze trace levels of emerging contaminants, UL's water testing laboratory offers a comprehensive range of analytical testing services, including microbiology, chemistry and radiochemistry.

Eurofins recognizes water quality to be critical for public health protection, whether in public water supplies or as a component of food and beverages, and with the continued interest in emerging contaminants and the development of ever more stringent standards, this acquisition provides clients with a trusted laboratory partner that can respond to their needs 24/7 from multiple convenient service centers.

"Combining the two leading drinking water laboratories strategically enhances our US Environmental Testing business' position at the industry's forefront for water quality testing and technical leadership," says Keith Wheatstone, Ph.D., President, Eurofins Environment Testing US.

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About Eurofins Eaton Analytical

Eurofins Eaton Analytical (EEA) is the largest potable water testing laboratory in the United States, serving water quality professionals worldwide, with clients throughout the United States and more than 100 countries worldwide. The company's 39,000-square-foot analytical testing facility is located in Monrovia, Calif., where more than 120 leading chemists, microbiologists and scientists are employed. For more information, please visit www.eatonanalytical.com or e-mail: us20_sales@eurofinsus.com.

About UL

UL is a premier global independent safety science company that has championed progress for 120 years. Its more than 10,000 professionals are guided by the UL mission to promote safe working and living environments for all people. UL uses research and standards to continually advance and meet ever-evolving safety needs. We partner with businesses, manufacturers, trade associations and international regulatory authorities to bring solutions to a more complex global supply chain. For more information about our certification, testing, inspection, advisory and education services, visit <http://www.ul.com>

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Eurofins - a global leader in bio-analysis

Eurofins Scientific is the world leader in food and pharmaceutical products testing. It is also number one in the world in the field of environmental laboratory services and one of the global market leaders in agrosience, genomics, discovery pharmacology and central laboratory services.

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As one of the most innovative and quality oriented international players in its industry, Eurofins is ideally positioned to support its clients' increasingly stringent quality and safety standards and the expanding demands of regulatory authorities around the world.

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