Veolia and Wheelabrator Technologies Extend “Green Steam” Supply Agreement to Reduce Baltimore’s Carbon Footprint

Contract renewal ensures that nearly half of the steam delivered to Veolia’s customers is “Green Steam” that originates from Wheelabrator’s renewable energy plant

BALTIMORE, Feb. 26, 2014 — Veolia Energy North America, a leading operator and developer of efficient energy solutions, and Wheelabrator Technologies Inc, a renewable waste-to-energy company with operations in Baltimore since 1985, have extended their 28-year partnership after the two companies recently completed a contract renewal.

The “Green Steam” — steam generated by renewable energy — produced by Wheelabrator’s Baltimore facility supplies nearly 50 percent of the steam Veolia delivers through its extensive Baltimore district energy system, which provides steam, hot water and chilled water to 230 customers in the central business district, as well as Inner Harbor East. The continued supply agreement between Veolia and Wheelabrator helps to reduce Baltimore’s total greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 47,000 tons per year or the equivalent of removing 8,400 cars from the road.

“For more than 30 years, Wheelabrator has been privileged to convert post-recycled everyday household waste from Baltimore City, Baltimore County and other areas of Maryland into green energy,” said Mark Weidman, president of Wheelabrator Technologies. “We are pleased to extend our 28-year partnership with Veolia Energy in its efforts to provide renewable ‘Green Steam’ to its Baltimore customers. The reliable delivery of clean energy such as steam to support local industry and economic growth is a business solution we hope to provide to additional customers in the future.”

Wheelabrator’s Baltimore waste-to-energy facility successfully reduces the volume of incoming waste by approximately 90 percent, providing disposal of up to 2,250 tons per day of post-recycled municipal solid waste and generating enough clean energy to power about 68,000 homes and businesses.

In May 2011, Maryland Governor Martin O’Malley signed Senate Bill 690 into law that expanded Tier 1 renewable sources to support the State’s aggressive renewable energy standard. The legislation puts waste-to-energy plants, including the Wheelabrator facility, on par with solar and wind in the state’s renewable energy standard. The state has a goal of generating 20 percent of its energy from Tier 1 renewable resources by 2022 and intends to achieve that goal through as much in-state generation as possible. Clean technology such as waste-to-energy, especially when coupled with district energy, helps
to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, create more renewable energy and stimulate investment in the state.

“We are thrilled to continue our partnership with Wheelabrator and to help the City of Baltimore reduce its carbon footprint while supporting Maryland’s renewable energy goals,” said Bill DiCroce, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Veolia Environnement North America’s Municipal and Commercial Business. “We applaud both the City of Baltimore and the State of Maryland for demonstrating a true commitment to renewable and energy efficiency solutions. We are pleased to support these efforts through our purchase of ‘Green Steam,’ which when delivered via our district energy network is an extremely efficient solution that will provide significant economic and environmental benefits to Baltimore businesses and residents for many years to come.”

District energy plays an integral role in Baltimore’s infrastructure, where Veolia produces and delivers heating and cooling to commercial, government, institutional and hospitality customers. Veolia’s district energy network also includes an ice storage system that delivers more than 32,000 tons of cooling capacity and approximately 45 million ton-hours of low-temperature chilled water to customers with more than 11.5 million square feet, making it one of the largest ice thermal storage systems in the country.

Veolia Energy North America is a leading U.S. operator and developer of efficient energy solutions. Veolia Energy's district energy business operations represent the largest portfolio of efficient heating, cooling, and green steam networks in North America. Visit the company's Web sites at www.veolienorthamerica.com and www.veolianorthamerica.com. Veolia Environnement (Paris Euronext: VIE and NYSE: VE) is the worldwide reference in environmental solutions. With 220,000 employees*, the company has operations all around the world and provides tailored solutions to meet the needs of municipal and industrial customers in three complementary segments: water management, waste management and energy management. Veolia Environnement recorded revenue of $38.8 billion* in 2012. www.veolia.com Twitter @veolia. * Excluding Transdev employees and revenues currently under divestment

Wheelabrator Technologies A wholly owned subsidiary of Waste Management, Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. is a leader in the safe and environmentally sound conversion of MSW and other renewable waste fuels into clean energy. Wheelabrator’s 17 waste-to-energy facilities provide safe waste disposal for towns and cities across the U.S. Wheelabrator also operates four independent power plants designed to generate electricity using an assortment of fuels, including waste wood, waste coal, and natural gas. In addition to producing electricity, some of these facilities also produce steam sold to nearby government and commercial establishments. Wheelabrator’s 21 facilities have a combined electric generating capacity of 853 megawatts, enough energy to power more than 900,000 homes. To learn more, visit www.wheelablartortechonologies.com. Twitter @WM_WTI.

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