

Eau France

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SUEZ environnement wins a second contract with the Gennevilliers water authority (SEPG)

The new 15-year contract for the wholesale supply of drinking water is worth a total of €234 million in revenue

After winning the public service contract with the Gennevilliers water authority (SEPG), SUEZ environnement's Eau France business unit has signed another contract for the wholesale supply of softened drinking water with the same authority. The new contract will come into effect on 1 July 2018 in the 10 localities belonging to the SEPG¹. The service will improve and secure drinking water supplies for the 605,000 inhabitants of the authority's territory.

"We are delighted to consolidate our collaboration with the SEPG water authority, and we are proud to contribute to the setting of new standards in water supply services thanks to collective decarbonation", declared Philippe Maillard, Managing Director of SUEZ environnement Eau France.

IMPROVE AND SECURE DRINKING WATER SUPPLIES

In addition to the drinking water produced by its plant on the Mont Valérien, just outside Paris, the SEPG water authority also buys wholesale drinking water to meet the needs of its densely urban territory and to guarantee the continuity of service under all circumstances.

The authority decided to renew its trust in SUEZ environnement, which will continue to supply the SEPG with water produced in its drinking water plants in Flins- Aubergenville and Le Pecq.

The contract also contains a commitment to meet all the SEPG's needs for water in peak periods, or if the production plant on the Mont Valérien is temporarily unavailable, or even if the resources taken from the Seine River, on which the plant depends, are degraded.

Thanks to the process used at the Flins Aubergenville and Le Pecq plants that replenishes the water table, SUEZ environnement is in a position to guarantee the stable production of drinking water all year long, irrespective of the weather conditions. Moreover, the quality of this water is excellent, because comes from protected underground resources, rather than from more exposed surface water resources.

In an effort to better meet the needs of the SEPG authority, SUEZ environnement has linked its remuneration to its performance in terms of the quality of the water supplies and continuous improvement, under all circumstances.

¹ Asnières-sur-Seine, Bois-Colombes, Colombes, Courbevoise, Gennevilliers, La Garenne-Colombes, Nanterre, Rueil-Malmaison, Suresnes et Villeneuve-la-Garenne.

IMPROVED SERVICE FOR USERS THANKS TO COLLECTIVE DECARBONATION

One third of French people are dissatisfied with tap water due to lime scale.² This is the reason why SUEZ environnement proposes innovative solutions to supply its customers with softer water. As part of its drive to supply the best possible water to its users, the SEPG authority has confirmed its decision to distribute softer water to all of the users in its territory, thanks to SUEZ environnement's DENSADEG® solution. This solution is based on a decanting process that allows the excess lime scale to be used in agriculture. The solution will be deployed in 2018, and will allow everyone to benefit from softer water and to limit the nuisances caused by lime scale, such as the rapid wear of household appliances, increased energy costs and the use of softeners.



LDE Ile-de-France West Val de Seine- Drinking water production site in Le Pecq-Croissy

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LDE Ile-de-France West Val de Seine- Drinking water production site in Le Pecq-Croissy, agent on the Coulée Verte site, in front of the groundwater recharge basin's valve station

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SUEZ environnement

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² C.I.EAU barometer - TNS Sofres 2012, "Les Français et l'eau", 17th edition.