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## **SUEZ acquires Lanxess reverse osmosis membrane portfolio to expand global water treatment offering**

**SUEZ today announced it has signed an agreement to purchase the Reverse Osmosis (RO) membrane portfolio from specialty chemical company LANXESS. The membrane will become part of the company' Water Technologies & Solutions product portfolio and further enhances the business' ability to help customers address water treatment challenges.**

The acquisition falls in line with SUEZ's strategy to grow and invest in the industrial water market. The deal will allow the company to deploy complementary RO technology in adjacent and growing sectors, and to increase global production of membranes.

*"As customers today expand their need for brackish water membranes, this RO product line allows us to quickly and effectively expand our product portfolio to meet that need,"* said Yuvbir Singh, CEO of SUEZ's Water Technologies & Solutions business unit. *"The Lanxess RO membrane portfolio is very complementary to our existing RO offering. We are very excited to bring this membrane to our customers and grow in new ways around the world."*

The agreement to purchase the Lanxess's RO product line includes the membranes, raw materials, and production facility located in Bitterfeld, Germany, along with the expected transition of its channel distributors and production employees directly connected to the membrane line. With this acquisition, SUEZ will:

- **scale up its RO product solutions to meet broader and emerging water treatment needs,**
- **expand its international RO membrane production capabilities and expertise to help meet growing global demand,** and
- **grow its customer base** with new channel partner distributor relationships.

The deal is expected to be completed in the coming months, following consultation with the relevant workers' council.

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Since the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, SUEZ has built expertise aimed at helping people to constantly improve their quality of life by protecting their health and supporting economic growth. With an active presence on five continents, SUEZ and its 90,000 employees strive to preserve our environment's natural capital: water, soil, and air. SUEZ provides innovative and resilient solutions in water management, waste recovery, site remediation and air treatment, optimizing municipalities' and industries' resource management through "smart" cities and improving their environmental and economic performance. The Group delivers sanitation services to 64 million people and produces 7.1 billion m<sup>3</sup> of drinking water. SUEZ is also a contributor to economic growth, with more than 200,000 jobs created directly and indirectly on an annual basis, and a provider of new resources, with 4.2 million tons of secondary raw materials produced. By 2030, the Group is targeting 100% sustainable solutions, with a positive impact on our environment, health and climate. SUEZ generated total revenue of €18.0 billion in 2019.

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