

## **Davey subsidiary acquires Virginia environmental and engineering services firm**

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A Davey Resource Group subsidiary has acquired EEE Consulting Inc. (3e) of Virginia.

Kent-based Davey Tree Expert Co. made the announcement late Tuesday, Dec. 1.

The Davey Resource Group specializes in consulting services to government, utilities, transportation, facility managers, and architecture and engineering markets, among others. Its services include vegetation management consulting, telecommunications construction services, asset management and environmental consulting, according to Davey's website.

Davey Resource Group subsidiary Wetland Studies and Solutions Inc. (WSSI) made the acquisition, whose terms weren't disclosed.

3e operates in the Richmond and Blacksburg areas of Virginia and provides environmental and engineering services to the public and private sectors. Its services include site assessment and remediation, water resource and stormwater management, landscape architecture, geographic information system services, and wetland delineation, among others, according to a news release.

Founded in 1998, 3e employs 36 people in offices in Richmond, Blacksburg and Newport News. WSSI, also based in Virginia, will keep all of 3e's employees. Andrew Kassoff, president of 3e, will continue as director of WSSI.

"Davey Resource Group and WSSI are excited to welcome the employees of 3e into the Davey family," said Ken Joehlin, Davey Resource Group vice president and general manager, environmental consulting. "3e brings a broad range of expertise and experience partnering with municipal and government clients that will enhance the environmental consulting services WSSI offers to clients in Virginia. This acquisition also strengthens Davey's commitment to providing diverse consulting solutions to our clients."

Like Davey Tree, 3e is employee-owned through an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP). Davey Tree, the ninth-largest employee-company in the U.S. with more than 11,000 workers, has been employee-owned since 1979.

"Davey Tree is a leader in the tree care and environmental consulting industry, and we are thrilled to join the Davey family," Kassoff said. "This is a great opportunity for our clients as well. ... Also, 3e employees will benefit from Davey's legacy and culture of employee ownership."

*Link to original press release:*

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