

Universal Engineering Sciences Strengthens Footprint in Texas By Acquiring Rock Engineering & Testing Laboratory

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Universal Engineering Sciences® (UES), a national leading engineering and consulting company specializing in geotechnical engineering, construction materials testing, building code compliance, threshold inspections, and environmental consulting, has acquired Rock Engineering & Testing Laboratory, LLC (RETL), a geotechnical engineering, geotechnical drilling, and construction materials engineering testing firm based in Texas. This acquisition expands UES' coverage and depth in the Texas market.

Rock Engineering & Testing Laboratory has more than 85 team members based in offices in Corpus Christi, San Antonio, and Austin / Round Rock. The team serves industrial, municipal, infrastructure, and commercial development clients throughout the southern portions and coastal areas of Texas. Significant recent projects include the Multi-Assistance Center at Morgan's Wonderland (The MAC), the San Antonio Spurs Training Facility, and the State Highway 211 Extension.

RETL joins Alpha Testing, LLC, in the Texas Division of UES, led by Brian Powell, P.E., President of the Texas Division. "The value, culture, and client mix between Rock Engineering and UES are a natural fit," said Brian Powell, P.E. "Together, we will be able to significantly strengthen and grow our footprint in Texas, where we see a booming economy, significant infrastructure growth, and a high demand for our services."

Rock Engineering President Roetta C. Rock has led the company since she and husband Mark C. Rock, P.E., founded the firm in 1998. Roetta and Mark will continue in their roles of Co-Presidents of Rock Engineering and the company's leadership team will continue to operate the day-to-day business.

"UES is a national leader in the AEC industry, and we are thrilled to be a part of the company's expansion," said Roetta C. Rock. "By joining UES, Rock will be able to continue supporting the infrastructure growth in our region by providing more geographical penetration, with expansive resources and extensive expertise for our clients, and enhanced career opportunities for our people."

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With nearly six decades of experience and recognition as the premier engineering and consulting firm in the geotechnical engineering space, UES is well-positioned to serve the needs of commercial, residential, and civic customers across the country. UES's recent acquisitions include prominent engineering firms such as GFA International, Inc., NOVA Geotechnical & Inspection Services, Contour Engineering, Wallace-Kuhl & Associates, Construction Testing & Engineering, SUMMIT Engineering, Laboratory & Testing, P.C., GEOServices, LLC, McGinley & Associates, Geotechnology, Inc., Alpha Testing, GSI Engineering, Speedie & Associates, and now Rock Engineering Testing & Laboratory, which have made Universal Engineering Sciences one of the largest, most resource-rich organizations of its kind nationwide.

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