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## **DEC Joins Gannett Fleming**

Natick, MA (March 18, 2024) – DEC, a Texas-based water and transportation engineering services firm, joined Gannett Fleming, a leading engineering and infrastructure solutions provider. The acquisition will deepen Gannett Fleming's presence in Texas and allow it to serve transportation and water clients on a larger scale.

Founded in 1945 and headquartered in Houston, DEC is a civil engineering firm with expertise in transportation, water, wastewater, and hydrology. DEC specializes in safe water and wastewater systems, subsidence projects, drainage improvements, program management, and highway design for federal, state, local, and private sector clients. DEC has seven offices in Texas and over 200 employees with deep technical expertise that help drive mission-critical projects across the state.

"Through this strategic partnership, our clients will continue to work closely with the local leaders they know and trust while receiving the resources and expertise of a larger engineering firm," said Michel Maksoud, PE, PhD, CEO of DEC, who will join Gannett Fleming as senior director of Texas operations. "Our firms have been in business for nearly 200 years combined, a testimony to the longevity and stability that comes from engaged employees, an innovative culture, and an innate dedication to the communities and clients we serve."

Morrissey Goodale, a specialized management consulting and research firm exclusively serving the architecture, engineering, and environmental consulting industries, advised DEC in the transaction.

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