

## **Magnolia River Acquires Heath and Associates, Inc – Strengthening Bonds to the Municipal Natural Gas Market**

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Magnolia River Services, a leading utility professional and field services firm with expertise in Engineering, Inspection, GIS, and Software, today announced its acquisition of the assets and operations of Heath and Associates, Inc., (“Heath and Associates”) an industry-leading provider of high-level engineering and management services.

Heath and Associates has faithfully served public natural gas systems (primarily municipal and cooperatives) for 64 years. Over that time, Heath and Associates has developed a strong reputation as the go-to provider for natural gas system design, Operations and Maintenance (O&M) manuals, and utility consultant services. Recently, Heath and Associates has helped many natural gas systems successfully apply for the PHMSA Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety and Modernization Grants. Scott Heath, CEO of Heath and Associates, says “At the heart of our service are our strong relationships and how our customers integrate our services into their operation. We are very appreciative of the patronage and loyalty of our customers over the past 64 years.”

With this acquisition, Magnolia River Services strengthens its commitment to the municipal market and acquires a work force with invaluable industry experience. Heath and Associates leadership including CEO Scott Heath and VP Aaron Moses are expected to continue in Engineering roles within Magnolia River Services. Jason Aberdeen, VP of Engineering at Magnolia River Services, says about the opportunity, “We are excited to see Heath and Associates combine with Magnolia River Services. They bring a wealth of knowledge and a great reputation with their municipality clients. We look forward to combining resources and delivering on some great projects.”

Scott Heath agrees, “I am looking forward to combining forces with Magnolia River. Magnolia River has expertise in areas that are complementary to our services, and the addition of these resources will enable us to provide our customers with better service. Magnolia River also shares a great reputation in the gas industry, and we look forward to carrying our relationships and expertise into their organization.”

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