SPL CELEBRATES 50 YEARS
Consolidates Louisiana Labs

SPL Inc., a nationwide environmental and petroleum laboratory and measurement testing company which will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 1994, has consolidated its New Orleans and Lafayette laboratories into a new 23,000-square-foot facility in Lafayette.

SPL was founded in 1944 in Houston, Texas, by W.A. Peters. Fifty years later, William Peter Wood, SPL's chairman and principal shareholder, says: "The consolidation of our Louisiana labs is a very important step in the growth and development of SPL. We are very excited about our new facility here."

The consolidation allows SPL to better serve its clients and expand its capabilities, which include gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS), gas chromatography (GC), environmental, hydronuclear analysis, drilling mud analysis, medicolegal lab services, and liquid and gas measurement services.

SPL will maintain a project management office in New Orleans to service area clients and the consolidation does not affect SPL's New Orleans oil and gas field division, which has been servicing clients for the past 50 years.

The consolidation of the Louisiana labs to Lafayette follows the recent 4,000-foot expansion of SPL's Detroit City, MI, lab.

SPL built its first lab in Houston in 1950 and expanded to Lafayette in 1959 to service the booming offshore oil and gas industry.

In 1966, SPL initiated services for the measurement and allocation of liquid and natural gas. During the next decade, SPL grew into an international service company.

Anticipating a need for environmental testing, SPL established an environmental lab in Houston in 1974. This laboratory began participating in the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Contract Laboratory Program (CLP) in 1977.

Today, SPL's Houston corporate offices and full-service laboratory encompasses 15,000 square feet, with plans for expansion to better serve Gulf Coast and international clients.

"With new environmental regulations affecting the oil and gas and petrochemical industries we wanted to position ourselves to better serve our clients," said H.R. Brown, president and chief executive officer of SPL.

"Now, with our unique network of both petroleum testing and environmental laboratories we are poised to service clients nationally and internationally."

SPL's new Louisiana lab is situated near I-10 at the Ambassador flyover. For more information, contact SPL's Lafayette, LA, office and lab at (318) 227-4773.

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