

Sunnyside, Washington

Meadville, Pennsylvania

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JM EAGLE EXPANDS HDPE PRODUCTION TO MEET NORTHERN MARKETS

JM Eagle is expanding production of solid-wall high-density polyethylene at two of its plants to meet demand in northern U.S. and Canadian markets.

Converting its Sunnyside, Wash., plant from PVC to PE production and boosting the number of PE lines at its Meadville, Pa., plant, the company aims to better serve customers seeking products for water and sewer and oil and gas gathering. The Sunnyside plant will also produce PE pipe for irrigation.

"JM Eagle looks forward to better serving customers in the water and gas markets in the northern

part of the country, as well as in Canada," says Dan O'Connor, JM Eagle vice president of PE sales. "This expansion now gives JM Eagle a stronger footprint in PE production and distribution nationwide."

Production on PE water pipe up to 36 inches in diameter and gas pipe is expected to begin late June at both plants, and all lines will be complete by September. The company also plans to manufacture up to 63-inch-diameter water pipe in the future, and is developing PE water pipe in even higher diameters.

The Sunnyside plant previously manufactured only PVC products. The Meadville plant has been producing the corrugated PE product Eagle Corr PE since 2009. JM Eagle had primarily focused its PE manufacturing at its plants in the southern United States.

"Now JM Eagle customers in all parts of the United States and into Canada can enjoy the benefits of high-quality, high-performance JM Eagle solid-wall PE pipe," says O'Connor. "Now municipalities and utilities can even better meet their needs in building long-lasting water and gas infrastructures."



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