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## NESTLÉ WATERS NORTH AMERICA TO OPEN NEW BOTTLING FACILITY IN SACRAMENTO

Company to Create 40 New Jobs In The Region

**Sacramento, CA** – Nestlé Waters North America today announced that to better serve its customers in Northern California, the company plans to open a two-line water bottling facility in an existing industrial area in Sacramento. This new facility will create 40 jobs in the region by early 2010.

"Nestlé Waters looks forward to building strong partnerships in the Sacramento community as both an employer and neighbor," said Nestlé Waters Sacramento Plant Manager Chris Kemp. "It is our commitment to invest not just our resources, but also our time and energy into the communities where we operate and we hope to learn more about how to be a part of Sacramento in the coming months."

The new bottling facility will initially bottle up to 150 acre-feet of water annually, purchased from the City of Sacramento and from nearby private springs. This new facility will bottle water under the company's Nestlé Pure Life® brand and Arrowhead® Mountain Spring Water brands for distribution to its customers primarily in Northern California.

During the equipment installation and building retrofit phase, the company will invest approximately \$14 million and directly employ approximately 16 people. In addition, many local contractors and tradesmen will be hired to complete the construction and installation. Once the plant is fully operational, Nestlé Waters will employ approximately 40 people. These jobs will pay competitive wages and offer a generous array of benefits, including medical, dental and vision insurance, life insurance, 401(k) and profit sharing. For more information about these job opportunities and the hiring process visit our web site at sacramento.nestlewatersca.com.

"Nestlé Waters decision to open and operate a bottling facility in Sacramento is a testament to our city's strengths as a good place to do business and create jobs. This is exactly the type of light, clean industry SACTO works to attract to this region and we look forward to continuing to work together with them as the company becomes a part of our community and our economic base," said Sacramento Area Trade and Commerce Organization Board Chair Jeanne Reaves.

Nestlé Waters is grateful to SACTO as well as Jim Rinehart, Tom Zeidner and Dave Brandt from the City of Sacramento; Ryan DeAngelis with CB Richard Ellis for representing the company in the leasing process; Buzz Oates with Buzz Oates Companies; and Scott Cable and Andrew Kilpatrick with Cable and Kilpatrick who

represented the owner for their work to help bring the company to Sacramento and looks forward to a continued partnership as this new facility becomes operational.

For more information about this plant and Nestle Waters commitment to Sacramento visit our web site at <u>sacramento.nestlewatersca.com</u>.

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## About Nestlé Waters North America

Central to the leadership of Nestlé Waters North America Inc. is its 33-year history and single-focus on producing bottled water products. The company's dedication to product quality, manufacturing expertise, employee development and environmental stewardship, especially in the areas of water use, energy and packaging, has helped Nestlé Waters become the number one bottled water company in the U.S. To reach success, the company follows its credo: Respect for each other, respect for the environment, and respect for the community. To learn more, visit <a href="http://www.Nestlé-watersna.com/index">http://www.Nestlé-watersna.com/index</a>.