

New wastewater facility converts nutrients into commercial fertilizer

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SUFFOLK, VA. — A Virginia wastewater plant became the first in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed to utilize a system that recovers nutrients from wastewater and transforms them into an environmentally-friendly commercial fertilizer, according to a press release.

Ostara Nutrient Recovery Technologies Inc. provided the nutrient recovery process for the new Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) Nansemond Treatment Plant, which was unveiled in a ceremony today, the release stated.

Robert F. Kennedy served as keynote speaker at the facility's grand opening.

According to the release, Ostara's Pearl® process increases plant capacity and production efficiencies, while creating an environmentally-friendly, commercial fertilizer called Crystal Green®.

"This groundbreaking approach ultimately saves money for ratepayers while also reducing the impact that wastewater treatment plants have on local waterways, all without onerous regulation," said Kennedy.

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