

Press Notice

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Veolia supports local communities during Ramadan

Veolia, the global leader in optimized resource management, is supporting local communities wherever it operates. This year, at the occasion of Ramadan, Veolia - through its subsidiary Sharqiyah Desalination Company - has erected an Iftar tent in Sur, where one of the largest desalination plants in the Sultanate is located. Local people and workers are invited to enjoy a complementary Iftar during the whole month of Ramadan.

The tent is located at the following address: Badr Al Sama clinic roundabout, TV Heights Side Albrar Mosque, Sur City.



Partnering with the Ministry of Development to support local Omani communities during the holy month of Ramadan, food vouchers have also been distributed on June 23, 2015 to local disadvantaged families in Sur.



Enhancing its commitment towards improving sustainable development in Oman, Veolia continues to play an active role in the region by raising awareness to current and future generations about the environmental challenges.

Providing 350,000 individuals with clean drinking water in the Sharqiyah region, Veolia has designed, built and currently operates, through its operating company Bahwan Veolia [a joint-venture between Bahwan Engineering Company and Veolia] the Sur desalination plant that recently produced its 100th million cubic meter of drinking water.

The organization also supports the Sultanates Public Authority for Electricity and Water through a fiveyear co-management contract with a commitment towards improving the water service to the benefits of the Omani population and environment. And Veolia is also the strategic partner of Majis Industrial Services Company for the operation and maintenance of water infrastructure in the industrial port of Sohar.

Recently recognized by the Dubai Chamber of Commerce and Industry for its commitment to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) with two Corporate Social Responsibility Label awards, Veolia has rolled out several community based initiatives to support causes and underscore its commitment to giving back to the community.

Xavier Joseph, Veolia's Chief Executive Officer in the Gulf Countries, said: "We take our role in the local community seriously and the Corporate Social Responsibility Label award for our activities in the Sultanate of Oman is a result of our commitment to developing, preserving and replenishing resources, across the region. With this Ramadan initiative, we hope to make a difference to the lives of families in and around the Sharqiyah region."

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In 2014, the Veolia group supplied 96 million people with drinking water and 60 million people with wastewater service, produced 52 million megawatt hours of energy and converted 31 million metric tons of waste into new materials and energy. Veolia Environnement (*listed on Paris Euronext: VIE*) recorded consolidated revenue of €24.4 billion* in 2014. www.veolia.com

(*) 2014 pro-forma figures, including Dalkia International (100%) and excluding Dalkia France.

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