



British industrial effluent treatment company Clearfleau acquired by leading German water technology company EnviroChemie.

This exciting collaboration will allow Clearfleau to expand operations in Europe while providing a wider range of technology solutions to British manufacturing industry clients.

4th April 2018: Clearfleau Limited, a leading British provider of on-site waste to energy plants for the food and drink sector, has been acquired by the German water treatment company EnviroChemie GmbH, which is part of SKion GmbH's water portfolio. EnviroChemie supplies advanced water and wastewater treatment plants for clients in the industrial and commercial sectors.

EnviroChemie, based in Darmstadt, Hesse, has established a global reputation for reliable and innovative technology in the water and wastewater treatment sector, developing and implementing a range of customised on-site treatment solutions for customers in a range of industrial and commercial markets.

Clearfleau's on-site anaerobic digestion (AD) based plants enable food and drink processing companies to treat their effluent and generate biogas, reducing their overall energy use and cutting carbon emissions while converting liquid residues into bio-energy and clean water.

Dr Jörg Krause, Managing Director, EnviroChemie, said: *"The acquisition of Clearfleau is an exciting development for both companies. We have identified great synergies with their industrial bio-energy focus, as Clearfleau will be able to supply its technology in our markets and they will also support us in the development of sales in the UK market."*

Craig Chapman, Chief Executive, Clearfleau, said: *"We wanted a strong partner to help us develop the industrial effluent treatment and biogas market outside the UK. This collaboration with EnviroChemie offers considerable growth potential for the combined business in the UK and the global market, as more businesses seek a circular economy solution which exploits the energy value in process residues currently being discarded on many factory sites."*

Clearfleau has a number of high-profile industrial clients and reference plants, and will represent EnviroChemie in the UK industrial market, developing technology and specialty chemical sales and extending the range of solutions the company can provide. The partners will collaborate to develop the market for Clearfleau's plants on industrial sites in Europe and other areas.

EnviroChemie is owned by SKion GmbH whose portfolio of companies involved in the water treatment sector also includes ELIQUO HYDROK in the UK serving the municipal market. Clearfleau is already working closely with EnviroChemie on projects in the UK and will provide support on projects elsewhere.



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About EnviroChemie GmbH

Founded in 1976, EnviroChemie is an industrial water treatment specialist with operations across Europe and in other international markets. Its specialist engineers design, plan and build tailor-made plants for treating process water, circulating water, cooling water and industrial wastewater, building plants that are sustainably optimised, providing effective on-site solutions on its customers' sites. It employs 470 people in Germany and internationally. The company is involved in national and international research projects for the development of innovative technologies for water treatment. For more information please visit www.envirochemie.com/en/home .

About SKion GmbH

EnviroChemie is owned by SKion GmbH, an investment company based in Bad Homburg owned by German entrepreneur Susanne Klatten. SKion's portfolio includes companies such as Altana, SGL Carbon, Nordex and Gemalto. It invests in companies in the water industry, to make a contribution to water being used more efficiently and sustainably as a resource. In addition to EnviroChemie, SKion's water portfolio includes ELIQUO WATER GROUP which encompasses SKion's European municipal water activities and includes ELIQUO HYDROK Ltd which serves the market for wastewater treatment and combined sewer overflow management in the UK and Ireland. Another SKion company, Ovivo is a global provider of process and wastewater treatment technologies for the energy and electronics sectors. Ovivo also serves the municipal water market in North America, employing 800 water treatment experts in over 15 countries.

About Clearfleau

Clearfleau is a British effluent treatment technology supplier and leading provider of on-site biogas plants for the food and beverage processing sector. The on-site bio-energy plants are designed to optimise energy output from liquid processing residues, applying both anaerobic and aerobic technologies. Their plants are designed for on-site treatment of industrial effluents and co-products particularly from the food and beverage sectors including Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG). Clearfleau has operational plants and others in the pipeline on food, dairy and whisky production sites across the UK and our plants are tailored to individual site requirements. For more information please visit www.clearfleau.com. Follow on Twitter @Clearfleau.