

LaMATS Expands Coronavirus Sanitation Services



With unprecedented safety measures announced by Governor John Bel Edwards in the fight against COVID-19, and the continuing spread of the

virus, Louisiana municipalities know they need to scale-up their sanitation efforts.

LaMATS began sourcing personal protective equipment (masks, gloves, disinfectant, etc.) through its new storefront, www.lpsgovshop.net, early in the pandemic and introduced its popular hand sanitizer station program in June to provide free-standing dispensers and refills.

While PPE and clean hands are important to combating the virus, more must be done.

Municipal buildings and facilities, civic centers, and other gathering places need a high-volume approach to decontamination. LaMATS will provide for this need with a Louisiana-based solution that combines a custom-fabricated mobile sprayer by Rotating Solutions coupled with specialized COVID-19 decontamination training by Pathogen Response & Resource Alliance (PR2®).

Don Venable, Business Development Manager for Rotating Solutions in Rayne, Louisiana, describes the creation of his company's custom sanitizer as born of necessity. "We knew there would be a need for this, but no one had a large, mobile indoor sprayer to do the job," said Venable, who with colleagues developed the machine only three months ago.

According to Venable, Rotating Solutions devised a prototype sprayer at the first sign COVID-19 would become a serious issue, "using spare parts we had on the shelves and making others we needed." The finished product is durable, highly maneuverable and able to deliver a wide, steady dispersion of any non-corrosive sanitation chemical. The specialized fogger wand and low-volume dispersal rate (using only 1.0 gallon per minute) make the unit cost-effective in combating COVID-19 indoors.

PR2®, co-founded by remediation expert Kyle Sibley, will educate municipal staff to safely deploy the fogger. Louisiana-based VP of Business Development, Steve "Sunset" Miller, says PR2® offers an affordable



PICTURED: The new Rotating Solutions decontaminator unit.

certification program for COVID-19 decontamination and post-exposure cleaning protocols. Municipal staff may be certified individually or as a group on all aspects, including the use of chemicals, surface types, exposure prevention, proper PPE, and documentation.

A voice of support behind the collaboration between PR2® and Rotating Solutions is Rayne Mayor Chuck Robichaux, who is also a LaMATS Board Member. "When I heard about Don's new product, I knew that he and Sunset would want to work together," said Mayor Robichaux. "Being on the LaMATS Board, I was aware of our efforts to provide valuable services to our municipal members and affiliated local governments. I'm pleased we were able to bring this project together."

Municipalities, school systems, and facilities managers seeking more information about purchase of a fogger and certification in its effective use, should contact Paul Holmes, LaMATS Purchasing Consultant, at paul@lamats.net.

