

## PLH Group Continues Geographic Expansion with Acquisition of R.B. Hinkle Construction

Irving, Texas – May 6, 2014 – PLH Group, Inc. ("<u>PLH</u>"), a portfolio company of private equity firm Energy Capital Partners, today announced its acquisition of R.B. Hinkle Construction, Inc. ("R.B. Hinkle").

Effective May 2, 2014, PLH has acquired R.B. Hinkle. With headquarters in Sterling, Virginia, R.B. Hinkle provides comprehensive underground utility infrastructure services across the Mid-Atlantic region. In addition to underground installation work, R.B. Hinkle delivers maintenance solutions to service existing underground utility lines for some of the largest energy delivery companies in the region.

"PLH has further expanded its geographic reach in North America with the acquisition of R.B. Hinkle, which will broaden our capabilities to deliver safety-focused underground infrastructure services to the electric utility industry," said Mark Crowson, PLH President and CEO. R.B. Hinkle will be an operating unit of PLH's Electric Infrastructure Services segment, and its current senior management and employees will remain in place.

## About PLH Group, Inc.

PLH is a leading provider of construction and maintenance services to the electric power delivery and pipeline industries in North America. Its customers include many of the largest utilities, regional cooperatives, renewable energy developers, commercial and industrial customers, and major oil and gas producers and midstream companies. PLH, a company started by Energy Capital Partners, has acquired Sun Electric, TESSCO, AIR 2, Auger Services, Snelson Companies, IPS Engineering, Southeast Directional Drilling, M&M Pipeline Services, Energy Services South, Pipeworx, TTR Substations, and R.B. Hinkle Construction. PLH is actively seeking to expand further its service offerings and geographic footprint. For more information, visit www.PLHGroupInc.com.

## **About Energy Capital Partners**

Energy Capital Partners is a private equity firm with offices in Short Hills, New Jersey, San Diego, California and Houston, Texas. Energy Capital Partners has raised over \$13 billion of capital commitments and is focused on investing in the power generation, electric transmission, midstream gas, oil and gas liquids, renewable energy, oil field services and environmental infrastructure services sectors of North America's energy industry. The fund's management has substantial experience leading successful energy companies and energy infrastructure investments. For more information, visit www.ecpartners.com.

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