

NALA Membranes, Inc. Selected as Finalist for 2023 NC TECH Awards

Morrisville, N.C. (September 13, 20232) – NALA Membranes, Inc. has been selected as a finalist for the NC TECH Awards CleanTech Company award. The NC TECH Awards is North Carolina's only statewide technology awards program that recognizes innovation, growth and leadership in the tech sector and is presented by the NC TECH (North Carolina Technology Association).

NALA Membranes has removed and replaced the weak link in cleaning water for reuse. It's new generation of reverse osmosis membranes solve the water treatment's industry's biggest problem – the inability to be cleaned without breaking down.

"Our membranes reduce the cost, complexity and climate impact of cleaning water for reuse. Today's membranes clog and require increasing amounts of pressure which translates into higher energy, which in turns means a higher carbon footprint and a rise in greenhouse gasses. We solve all this pervasive problem with a powerful platform of new materials", said CEO Sue Mecham, who with her mother and co-founder founded the RTP company in 2018.

"For over 20 years, NC TECH has celebrated companies, organizations and individuals for outstanding achievement at the NC TECH Awards. As a finalist this year, NALA Membranes has distinguished itself as one of the state's innovative and emergent leaders," stated Brooks Raiford, NC TECH's President and CEO.

"We are very grateful to NC Tech for being our champions, and for recognizing us again having won the Cleantech Award in 2021", smiled Sue Mecham as she looked at her team of scientists, engineers and business professionals.

About NC TECH

NC TECH is a not-for-profit, membership-driven trade association and the primary voice of the technology industry in North Carolina. NC TECH's mission is to foster growth and champion innovation in North Carolina's tech sector, while providing a voice for the tech community. NC TECH's membership includes 600 member companies, organizations and institutions employing more than 200,000 workers in North Carolina. For more information, visit nctech.org.

About NALA Membranes

NALA Membranes is a water technology solutions company headquartered in NC, with a subsidiary in Singapore. The company has developed the first reverse osmosis membrane for water treatment and reuse. Its new generation of materials remove salt, contaminants and other harmful substances from municipal and industrial waste water to produce clean water for potable and non-potable uses. Unlike current products, NALA's membranes are tolerant to strong oxidant cleaners like chlorine, last longer, and retain high performance in a wide range of harsh operating conditions. NALA Membranes is a women founded and led company that supports diversity and subscribes to ESG principles.

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