

ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

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THE WATER COOLER



For the second year in a row, the PEPM Group has been awarded Gold - Best Engineering Firm in the Best of Northwest Arkansas Awards! This incredible achievement was made possible by your votes and continued support. Thank you! We look forward to many more years of collaboration and shared success.

The PEPM Group will be attending two industry events this month! PEPM is heading to the 2026 American Data Centers Forum in Houston, Texas on April 23-24. The American Data Centers Forum is the premier data center conference and international data center event dedicated to exploring the future of data center infrastructure.

The PEPM Group is excited to attend the 2026 Petfood Forum in Kansas City, Missouri, April 27-29. The Petfood Forum is the only event dedicated to pet food and is the leading conference and exhibition for education on the latest pet food innovations.

If you're attending either event, contact PEPM by email at ekunkel@pepmgroup.com, admin@pepmgroup.com, or by phone at 918-895-6766 Ext 103. We look forward to seeing you there!

The PEPM Group is excited to announce we will soon begin work on a food process project in Alabama. This project is focused on enhancing system reliability and operational efficiency. Our team is providing structural, electrical and mechanical engineering design, advanced 3D scanning, 3D model and construction support to facilitate equipment upgrades, structural improvements, and electrical system enhancements. The project also incorporates updated safety standards and improved accessibility for long-term maintenance and performance.



The PEPM Group is proud to announce we will soon begin a major food process facility expansion project in Kansas. This project includes the design and integration of a new food processing line, along with a new facility expansion featuring new building, new utility systems including boilers and steam system, compressors and system, cooling water system, electrical system upgrade and infrastructure to support increased production capacity. The PEPM team is providing civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing engineering, along with 3D scanning, 3D modeling, construction administration, and startup support. PEPM structural, mechanical, and electrical engineers will be on site to verify site conditions for design.

WE ARE HIRING!

For a long-term fulfilling career, a caring, encouraging, and respectful workplace, contact PEPM. Apply today at www.pepmgroup.com/careers

- **Senior Mechanical Engineer** (Fayetteville, AR), 10+ years of proven mechanical, plumbing, and HVAC engineering and design experience in the food and beverage facilities, strong understanding of USDA, FDA, OSHA, ASHRAE, and ASME codes, standards, and guidelines, strong understanding of specifications and excellent attention to detail, B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, PE in Mechanical Engineering
- **Senior Structural Engineer** (Fayetteville, AR or Tulsa, OK), 10+ years of structural engineering work in industrial engineering, 10+ years of field experience and building design, experience in food processing facility design, experience in managing project deliverables and meeting exceeding expectations, managing client relations, proficient in STAAD or RISA, B.S. in Civil or Structural Engineering is required, PE license required
- **Project Engineer, Project Manager** (Tulsa, OK), 5+ years of proven work experience in engineering, oil and gas and energy business, 5+ years of proven work experience in project management in engineering, construction or fabrication, excellent time management skills to meet promised schedules, organization, planning skills, and attention to detail are a must, PE and/or PMP highly preferred, B.S. in mechanical engineering or related engineering field



NEW ADDITONS TO THE PEPM TEAM!

The PEPM Group is continuing to grow!

Brian Banuelos, PE, Senior Electrical Engineer, is a licensed Professional Engineer in electrical engineering with over 6 years of engineering and design experience. He brings a proven track record of designing and managing industrial and multi-story building projects, collaborating with clients and contractors, and delivering high-quality mechanical engineering solutions.

Jesus Padilla, PE, Senior Mechanical Engineer, joins us as a Licensed Professional Engineer with over 10 years of strong engineering experience in mechanical, HVAC, power piping and plumbing design for industrial and commercial projects.

Barry Jones, Senior Process Project Engineer, brings over 30 years of experience in F&B process engineering and design in poultry and RTE, and project engineering, capital project management, and industrial operations across the food and manufacturing sectors.

Kaushik Raut, Senior Structural Engineer, joins us with nearly a decade of experience in structural design across offshore & onshore projects, oil & gas, and industrial infrastructure.

Welcome Brian, Jesus, Barry, and Kaushik to the PEPM Team!

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appreciated and valued!

GET PROPOSAL Have questions about MEP, CSA, industrial refrigeration, process design, architectural, or project management?



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IN THE KNOW...

April, which is the fourth month in the Julian and Gregorian calendar, is named after the Latin name Aprilis, meaning "to open".

2005 The superjumbo jet aircraft Airbus A380 makes its first flight from Toulouse, France

1981 The first Space Shuttle, Columbia, returns to Earth after 2 days and 6 hours in space

1973 First mobile phone call is made in downtown Manhattan by Motorola employee Martin Cooper to Bell Labs in New Jersey

1953 Francis Crick and James Watson's discovery of the double helix structure of DNA is published in "Nature" magazine

1900 US Post Office issues its first stamp booklets containing 12, 24, or 48 two-cent stamps

1877 World's first home telephone is installed in Somerville, MA

1860 Start of the Pony Express, mail is delivered by horse and rider relay teams between St. Joseph, Missouri and Sacramento, California

1792 The Coinage Act is passed, establishing the United States Mint and authorizing the \$10 Eagle, \$5 Half-Eagle, \$2.50 Quarter-Eagle gold coins, and the silver dollar, half dollar, quarter, dime, and half-dime



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