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For the second time in a few weeks, Clearwater is announcing a new company locating in its business park.

Working closely with the Kansas Department of Commerce and the Greater Wichita Partnership, the City of Clearwater announced that Anderson & Forrester will be relocating from the Denver metro area to Clearwater.

Anderson & Forrester is a leader in orifice and conversion fitting needs supplying parts to original equipment manufacturers in the natural gas and propane industry and serve as a top supplier for replacement parts, gauging drills, broaches, reamers and special tools for the gas service industry. The company was founded in 1928.

According to Michele Nordahl, President and CEO of Anderson & Forrester, the company will have about 10 employees in 7,500 square feet of manufacturing space in the Clearwater Business Park to start.

"We're excited to make Clearwater our company's home," Nordahl said. "It's a great fit for our company as a manufacturing leader because of the skilled labor and also its competitive advantages related to traffic and cost of living compared to Colorado. We especially appreciate all the information and support from all the partners to make this a reality including Jason Martin, The City of Clearwater, the Greater Wichita Partnership and the State of Kansas."

Jason Martin is developing the building and project for Anderson & Forrester with room for expansion. Evans Building Co. is expected to begin construction on the building soon with an expected occupancy date for Anderson & Forrester in late summer.

Chad Harbour-Nordahl will be moving back to the area as General Manager of the facility. Harbour-Nordahl joined the company last year after serving as assistant warehouse manager and in human resources with TVH Parts in Portland, Ore. He is a graduate of Cheney High School and Pittsburg State.

"We are excited to welcome Anderson & Forrester to Clearwater and look forward to having Michele and her team a part of the Clearwater family" said Clearwater Mayor Burt Ussery. "They are another great fit for the Clearwater Business Park, Sedgwick County, and for the state of Kansas."