

## OUR **HISTORY**

In 1966, five men intent on manufacturing high-altitude balloons founded a company in suburban St. Paul, Minnesota, that they called Pentair, the Greek "penta" for the five founders and "air" for the products they planned to produce.

Pentair diversified quickly, venturing into industries ranging from plastic canoe manufacturing to computer software, to leather footwear, before acquiring a series of paper mills that would serve as the company's core for nearly two decades.Known for a willingness to venture into new industries and its ability to find operating efficiencies, which would become the cornerstone for the Pentair Integrated Management System, the company transformed from a paper company to a tool company and ultimately a water company—all while delivering consistent growth and profitability.

Throughout the years, Pentair's people, processes, and Win Right values have been at the core of its growth. As the company embarks on its next chapter in 2018 as a pure-play water company, Pentair is harnessing its unique technology, talent, tools, and thinking to deliver **smart, sustainable solutions for life**.



•	1966	Pentair Founded
•	1968	Paper entry with acquisition of Peavey Paper Mills
•	1981	Tools entry with purchase of Porter-Cable brand of electric power tools
•	1988	Enclosures entry with acquisition of Hoffman Engineering Company
•	1989	Sales cross \$1 Billion milestone
•	1994	Enters European markets with the acquisition of Schroff
•	1998	Pentair Foundation created
•	2004	Exits Tools business and dives into the water industry with the purchase of Wicor Industries
•	2005	PIMS expands beyond LEAN to include both Growth and Talent Management
•	2007	Pentair and Water Mission partner on a unique program in Honduras, the impetus for Pentair's flagship sustainable Safe Water initiatives in the developing world
•	2013	Pentair receives EPA's Energy Star Partner of the Year Award for its high efficiency pool pumps
•	2015	ERICO acquisition
•	2017	Completes sale of Valves & Controls business
<b>♦</b>	2018	Company separates Water and Electrical businesses into two industry-leading public companies; Water business retains the Pentair name and ticker symbol (PNR)