

Nexans



Cabling the Palace of Versailles...



Jean-Jacques Aillagon,
President of the Public Corporation
of the National Museum and
Estate of the Palace of Versailles

"It was with a sense of immense joy and gratefulness that, on my arrival at Versailles, I learned of Nexans commitment to sponsor us. I have very high hopes for this partnership that will bring Nexans' technical and industrial know-how to the fore."



Frédéric Vincent,
Chairman and Chief Executive
Officer of Nexans

"As a company that is more than one century old, Nexans feels a sense of civic responsibility to help equip and preserve our national heritage. It is natural that we should bring our expertise in cabling and safety systems to support projects such as Grand Versailles."



The sponsorship of the Palace

As part of the sponsoring agreement with the Public Corporation of the National Museum and Estate of the Palace of Versailles, Nexans will be contributing to the renovation of technical networks in the Palace and Estate from 2007 to 2011.

This tranche of the "Grand Versailles" project includes making the Royal Opera compliant with safety standards, upgrading networks and creating a power hub under the Grand Lodgings courtyard, reorganizing the visitors' reception at the Dufour Pavilion and rearranging the groves near the Ballroom and the Fountain of Apollo.

This sponsorship action, which takes the form of a skills partnership, has created a true synergy around a dual problem: the protection of the historical heritage of Versailles and that of thousands of visitors to the site. Nexans has thus proposed its expertise in cabling and building safety to improve the energy and telecom infrastructure of the Palace.





The renovation project: a long-term partnership

Nexans has undertaken to provide - free of charge - the high-voltage and low-voltage cables necessary for the different phases of the renovation project. It will also participate in the refurbishing of the voice/data telecommunication networks of the Palace and the Domain.

Planned to extend through until 2011, the renovation of the electric cables of the Palace of Versailles involves several phases:

- renovating the facilities of the medium-voltage loop of the Trianon Domain,

- protecting the Opera House,
- renovating the energy center of the Grand Lodgings,
- modernizing all the Palace's electrical networks,
- refurbishing the unguided visitors' reception hall in the Dufour Pavilion,
- refurbishing the Groves of the Ballroom and of the Baths of Apollo.

Nexans within the building market

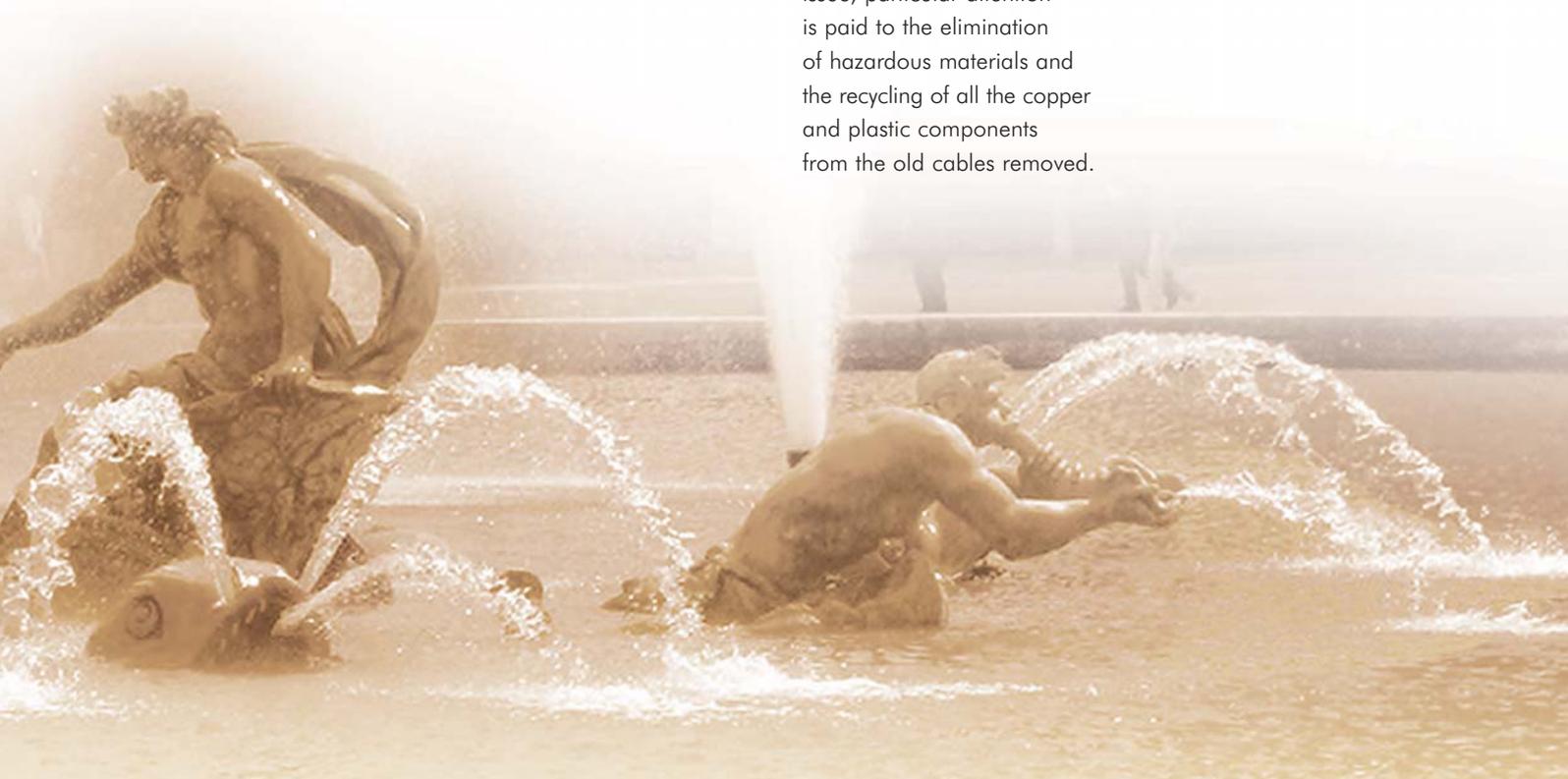
At the core of performance within the building market, Nexans proposes a full range of cables guaranteeing safety, comfort and respect of the environment for all types of buildings.

From energy to control and communication, Nexans cables cover all the needs of modern buildings. Designed to function under extreme conditions, they not only guarantee the safety of the people but also that of equipment and infrastructure.

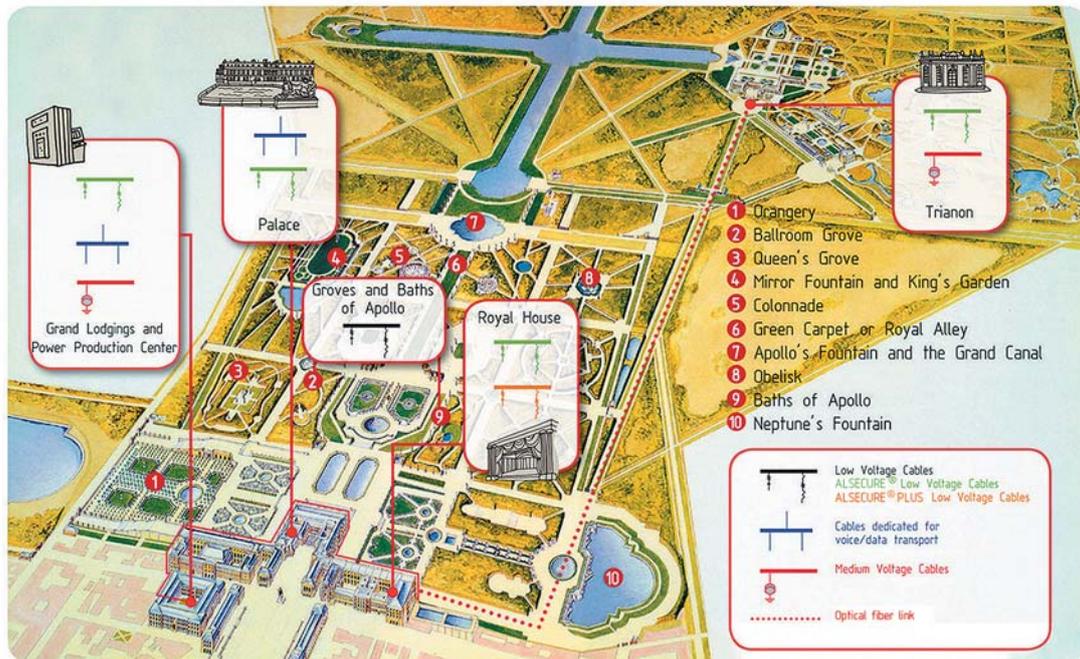
And because the environment has become an essential issue, particular attention is paid to the elimination of hazardous materials and the recycling of all the copper and plastic components from the old cables removed.

The cables to be supplied

Nexans will supply a range of low and medium voltage power cables, telecommunication cables and optical fiber cables. To ensure that the whole Estate meets current security and safety regulations, most of the cables will have enhanced fire-performance characteristics, including non-propagation of toxic gases and low smoke generation (ALSECURE® product range).



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Global expert in cables and cabling systems

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