



# Case Study

## Johnston County Airport, Smithfield, North Carolina

### Challenge

Located 32 miles southeast of Raleigh, the Johnston County Airport provides convenient access to destinations throughout the Piedmont region and eastern North Carolina. In 2014, the airport opened a newly constructed state-of-the-art terminal accented with striking aeronautical design elements.

“The facility’s overall aesthetic captures the wonder and magic of flight,” said Michael Schulman, Plumbing Designer, PDC Engineers, located in Raleigh, N.C. For example, the wall surface features a delicate wavy motif that gives a sense of air flow, while the customer service reception area is highlighted with an eye-catching desk in the shape of the wing of an airplane.

“The owner and board of directors had a clear vision for the design of this facility to be top-notch in every facet,” said Ray Blackmon, Airport Director, Johnston County Airport. The men’s and women’s restrooms – located right off the main lobby – were no exception, he explained. “Because of their central proximity, it was important to make the rooms a visual extension of the airport’s modern aeronautical design.”



## Solution

After considering a variety of high-end decorative plumbing fixtures, PDC's plumbing engineering team landed on Bradley's Verge™ L-Series Lavatory System. With its streamlined and aerodynamic-looking basin design, Verge complemented the overall facility's 'elements of flight' aesthetic.

"Verge was specified because it offered all the characteristics required for our application," Schulman said. "It provided a higher design, it incorporated two hand washing stations in one piece, and it was made of a beautiful and easy-to-maintain material. But the real clincher was Verge's elegant look."

Schulman noted he was impressed with how Verge easily integrates into a commercial restroom space. "There's a subtlety about Verge that conveys a quiet sophistication. Its shape, material and size all hit the nail on the head for giving the restrooms a first-rate look with an executive feel."

"Everyone from our staff to our visitors loves the look of these Verge sinks," Blackmon added. "We were looking for a restroom fixture that offered both form and function, and blended well with our design and décor. Verge perfectly filled the bill."

## Convergence of high-design and low-maintenance qualities

Verge L-Series adds a modern and distinctive flair to the look of higher end commercial restroom applications. In addition to its sleek and elegant aesthetics, Verge's elongated basin shape is designed to funnel water to the drain to minimize standing water.

Verge L-Series is extremely easy to install, clean and maintain. Its basin is made of Bradley's durable, repairable and sustainable Evero™ Natural Quartz Surface, a resilient natural composite material that's easily molded into seamless shapes. Evero fuses the elegance of quartz, the luminance of exotic materials, and the eco-friendliness of a bio-based resin.

Easily accessible, ADA and enhanced reach compliant, Verge L-Series may be ordered in one, two or three station lengths, and requires only one specification.

"Verge addresses all the key restroom design issues from the perspectives of a plumbing engineer, architect, facility manager and owner," Schulman said. "An exceptional aesthetic, high-quality materials and maintainability characteristics make Verge a first class centerpiece for commercial restrooms."

"We live and work here every day. It's great to have a restroom fixture that's reliable and easy to maintain, while having a sleek and stylish look."

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