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El Pollo Loco Announces the Grand Opening of New Restaurant in Spring, TX

New location marks 10th restaurant owned and operated by franchise partner AA Pollo, Inc.

COSTA MESA, Calif., March 28, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [El Pollo Loco](#) (Nasdaq:LOCO), the nation's leading fire-grilled chicken chain, opened its newest location in Spring, TX today. The new El Pollo Loco, located at 2825 Riley Fuzzel Road, is owned and operated by franchise partner AA Pollo, Inc. The new restaurant marks the second El Pollo Loco location to open in Spring and the tenth for franchisees Anil Yadav and Atour Eyvazian.

"We are very excited to offer another convenient location in Spring for guests to enjoy our delicious food, healthier options and great service," said Atour Eyvazian, Vice President of AA Pollo, Inc. "El Pollo Loco is a great brand and being able to help expand its presence in Texas and allow more communities to enjoy our authentic Mexican inspired entrees and famous fire-grilled chicken is such a rewarding experience. We welcome residents and visitors to Spring to come see us at our new restaurant and check out our diverse menu."

"We are thrilled to have such a great team in AA Pollo, who has been instrumental in helping our brand expand our presence in the greater Houston area," said Steve Sather, Chief Executive Officer at El Pollo Loco. "Whether you're looking for a burrito, salad, quesadilla, family chicken meal or healthier dining options, we have something for everyone. We can't wait for the local community, which has both long-time El Pollo Loco fans and those who've not yet dined with us, to visit this new location and get a taste of everything we have to offer, especially our famous fire-grilled chicken."

The 2,960 square foot restaurant has seating for 108 guests and incorporates the brand's 'hacienda' design, which features an open kitchen layout designed for customers to view El Pollo Loco's signature chicken as it's being fire-grilled. The restaurant will be open seven days a week from 10:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

El Pollo Loco has exclusive multi-unit franchise opportunities available for highly qualified operators in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Louisiana and Arkansas. For more information, visit www.elpolloloco.com/franchising.

About El Pollo Loco

[El Pollo Loco](#) (Nasdaq:LOCO) is the nation's leading fire-grilled chicken restaurant chain renowned for its masterfully citrus-marinated, fire-grilled chicken and handcrafted entrees using fresh ingredients inspired by Mexican recipes. With more than 460 company-owned and franchised restaurants in Arizona, California, Nevada, Texas and Utah, El Pollo Loco is expanding its presence in key markets through a combination of company and existing and new franchisee development. Visit us on our website at ElPolloLoco.com.

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