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Secretary of Commerce and Trade

October 28, 2008

The Honorable Charles J. Colgan
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee
Senate of Virginia
10677 Aviation Lane
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The Honorable Lacey E. Putney
Chairman, House Appropriations Committee
House of Delegates
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Bedford, Virginia 24523

The Honorable Harry R. Purkey
Chairman, House Finance Committee
House of Delegates
2352 Leeward Shore Drive
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451

Dear Messrs. Chairmen:

I am writing to report on the grants that have been awarded during the third quarter of the 2008 calendar year as required by § 2.2-5103(D) of the Code of Virginia.

For the third quarter, ending September 30, 2008, there were two Virginia Investment Partnership (formerly Tier One) grants awarded. In the Major Eligible Employer (formerly Tier Two) category (over \$100 million in capital investment and at least 1,000 new employees or corporate headquarters and other basic employers that make a capital investment of at least \$100 million and create at least 400 jobs paying at least twice the prevailing average wage for the area), there were no grants awarded.

Virginia Investment Partnership (formerly Tier One):

1. **Project Not Yet Announced.**
2. **Orbital Sciences Corporation**, located in Loudoun and Accomack Counties, is a manufacturer of small rockets and space systems. Awarded a \$1,000,000 grant, the company will be making a \$45 million investment by the end of 2011.

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Major Eligible Employer (formerly Tier Two):

No Major Eligible Employer grants were awarded.

For the third quarter of the 2008 calendar year, there were no Virginia Investment Partnership grant disbursements from the Fund. Payouts of Major Eligible Employer grants will begin in the sixth year following approval of the grant application, except that in fiscally stressed areas, payouts can begin in the fourth year after the capital investment is completed and verified.

Sincerely,

Patrick O. Gottschalk

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cc: Mr. Jeffrey M. Anderson
Executive Director
Virginia Economic Development Partnership