

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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> The Honorable Charles J. Colgan Chairman Senate Finance Committee Senate of Virginia 10677 Aviation Lane Manassas, Virginia 20110

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

The Honorable Lacey E. Putney Chairman House Appropriations Committee House of Delegates Post Office Box 127 Bedford, Virginia 24523

Dear Messrs. Chairmen:

I am writing to report on the grants that have been awarded during the first quarter of the 2010 calendar year as required by  $\S$  2.2-5103(D) of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

For the first quarter, ending March 31, 2010, three Virginia Investment Partnership grants were awarded. In the Major Eligible Employer 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.

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## Virginia Investment Partnership:

- 1. **Kraft Capri Sun**, located in Frederick County, is a manufacturer of beverage products. Awarded a \$300,000 grant, the company will be making a \$40 million investment and creating 100 new jobs by the end of 2012.
- 2. **Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation**, located in Henrico County, is a manufacturer of paperboard and paper-based packaging. Awarded a \$300,000 grant, the company will be making a \$32 million investment and saving 150 new jobs by the end of 2010.
- 3. **Polymer Group, Inc.**, located in the City of Waynesboro, is a manufacturer of nonwoven materials. Awarded a \$750,000 grant, the company will be making a \$65 million investment and creating 41 new jobs by the end of 2013.

## Major Eligible Employer:

No Major Eligible Employer grants were awarded.

For the first quarter of the 2010 calendar year, Virginia Investment Partnership grant disbursements from the Fund were made to B. I. Chemicals, Degussa Goldschmidt, HP Hood, Hershey, Kraft Foods, and Ross Products/Abbott Labs. 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,

James S. Cheng

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cc: Mr. Jeffrey M. Anderson 

Executive Director

Virginia Economic Development Partnership