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James S. Cheng Secretary of Commerce and Trade

> The Honorable Charles J. Colgan Chairman Senate Finance Committee Senate of Virginia General Assembly Building, Room 626 Richmond, Virginia 23219

> The Honorable Harry R. Purkey Chairman House Finance Committee House of Delegates General Assembly Building, Room 415 Richmond, Virginia 23219

> The Honorable Lacey E. Putney Chairman House Appropriations Committee House of Delegates General Assembly Building, Room 947 Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Messrs. Chairmen:

I am writing to report on the grants that have been awarded during the fourth quarter of the 2009 calendar year as required by 2.2-5103(D) of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

For the fourth quarter, ending December 31, 2009, no Virginia Investment Partnership (formerly Tier One) grants were 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 also no grants awarded.

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Virginia Investment Partnership (formerly Tier One):

No Virginia Investment Partnership grants were awarded.

Major Eligible Employer (formerly Tier Two):

No Major Eligible Employer grants were awarded.

For the fourth quarter of the 2009 calendar year, Virginia Investment Partnership grant disbursements from the Fund were made to Fisher Diagnostics, B. I. Chemicals, Babcock and Wilcox, Sara Lee Coffee and Tea, Metalsa, and Rowe Furniture. 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