

R. Brian Ball Secretary of Commerce and Trade

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The Honorable Vivian E. Watts, Chair House Finance Committee 8717 Mary Lee Lane Annandale, Virginia 22003

Ladies and Gentleman:

I am writing to report on the Virginia Investment Performance (VIP) and Major Eligible Employer (MEE) grants that were awarded during the second quarter of the 2021 calendar year as required by §2.2-5103(D) of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

In the second quarter, ending June 30, 2021, one VIP grant was awarded. No MEE grants were awarded in the second quarter of 2021.

Virginia Investment Performance:

1. **Nestle Purina Petcare Company**, a manufacturer of cat litter, will expand its operations in King William County. Awarded a \$2,000,000 grant, the company will be making a \$182.0 million investment by December 31, 2024. There are no jobs associated with this project. This project has been announced.

Major Eligible Employer:

No MEE grants were awarded.

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For the second quarter of the 2021 calendar year, disbursements from the VIP were made to PPD, WestRock, Unilever, Hollister, Ashland, HP Hood, and Sabra for projects previously reported. No MEE grant disbursements from the Fund were made.

Sincerely yours,

R. Brian Ball

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cc: Mr. Stephen Moret

President and Chief Executive Officer

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