



Recent Announcements



Facebook is directly investing \$1.5 billion to establish a series of data center buildings that will total more than 2.4 million square feet in **Henrico County**. The project will bring more than 200 full-time operational positions. In addition, Facebook invested in the construction of multiple solar facilities to service Facebook's Henrico Data Center with 100 percent renewable energy provided by a new renewable energy tariff offered by Dominion Energy. The County recently cut taxes targeted specifically for data centers to \$0.40 per \$100.



Cascades, a **Canadian** leader in the recovery and manufacturing of green packaging and paper tissue products, has agreed to purchase the former Bear Island Paper Mill in **Hanover County** for \$34.2 million and spend between \$275 to \$300 million to upfit the equipment. "The Bear Island site is strategically located for raw materials and logistics," said Mario Plourde, CEO of Cascades. The project will create 140 jobs.



GSK Consumer Healthcare, a leading global healthcare company, will invest \$16.7 million to expand its consumer research and development center, adding approximately 150 jobs. "The **City of Richmond** provides an environment for GSK Consumer Healthcare to build leading R&D capabilities, including access to world-class talent and universities, while also offering an attractive cost of living and favorable business operating costs," said Dr. Peter John Ramsey, PhD, Vice President and Head, GSK Consumer Healthcare R&D, The Americas.



Cartograf, a leading provider of packaging solutions for over 40 industrial sectors worldwide, will invest \$65.3 million to establish its first U.S. folding and micro-corrugated package printing facility in **Chesterfield County**. The 275,000-square-foot facility will be located on 100-acres in the Meadowville Technology Park and will host 63 new jobs. Cartograf's facility is expected to help meet growing demand for its products in the northeast U.S. and Canadian markets.





ERNI Electronics, Inc. broke ground on a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in **Chesterfield County**. ERNI, an international manufacturer of electrical connectors based in **Switzerland**, plans to invest \$25 million in the new production and distribution building. ERNI plans to create approximately 105 new jobs in the county to staff the facility.



Ocean Network Express, a global transport company, will invest \$2.5 million to expand its North American Regional Headquarters office in the **City of Richmond** to accommodate 129 additional personnel as its customer base increases. The **Japanese** company is the sixth-largest player in the global container shipping market. “We appreciate the support that Virginia has provided to us with our new company,” said Nobuo Ishida, ONE President and Head of North America Region.



Sabra Dipping Co., an **Israeli/American** joint venture, expanded the world’s largest hummus-making facility in **Chesterfield County**. The 40,000-square-foot expansion enable Sabra to expedite product delivery to retail. “(This) will be the fourth expansion on this campus, reflecting both Sabra’s growth to date and the anticipated continued brand and category evolution we envision for the near future,” said Tomer Harpaz, Sabra’s Chief Executive Officer.



CameraMatics, opened its North American headquarters in the **City of Richmond**. The Irish technology firm produces equipment for fleet tracking and data gathering. The firm plans to hire up to 100 employees with \$25 million of capital investment over the next 5 years. The company combines fleet telematics, fleet CCTV, driver safety and compliance solutions and apps.



San-J, a **Japanese** manufacturer of tamari sauce, completed its \$60 million expansion of its manufacturing facility. Since 1987, San-J International has made soy sauce for the U.S. market from a factory in eastern **Henrico County**. The company, now employing about 70 people at the plant and a nearby office that serves as its U.S. headquarters, more than doubled its previous production space to 100,000 square feet.



Recent Accolades



One of the Top Mid-Sized U.S. “Cities of the Future” 2019/20
-- *fDi Intelligence*, Jul. 2019



Least-Congested Large City in the United States
-- Urban Mobility Scorecard



One of 10 Cities to Watch in 2020
-- *Worth*, Oct. 2019



A Top Destination for Corporate Headquarters
-- *Business Facilities*, July 2019