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GO Virginia Region 2 Growth & Diversification Plan Industry Work Group (Manufacturing & Advanced Materials) Minutes May 15, 2025, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center, Curiosity Conference Room
1900 Kraft Drive, Blacksburg, Virginia 24060**

Committee members in attendance: Doug Agner, Whiteny Czelusniak, Justin Ylang

Staff in attendance: Julia Kell, Sarah Lyon-Hill, John Provo, Jemma Sabokrouh, Emmalee Wagner.

Public in attendance: Peter Anderson, Megan Atkinson, Katie Boswell, Emma Carroll, Jessi Fritz, Cary Hill, Elliot McAlister, Leo Priddy, Lindsey Webb.

The meeting convened at 3:00 p.m. and adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Introductions

Council member Justin Ylang opened the meeting to review the purpose of the Growth & Diversification Plan and begin attendee introductions.

State of the Industry Presentation

Dr. Sarah Lyon-Hill with VT Center for Economic and Community Engagement gave a presentation reviewing the trends, assets, and needs of the Manufacturing for Transportation, Autonomy, and Energy, and Advanced Materials Manufacturing industries in this region.

Group Exercises

Lyon-Hill facilitated two group exercises for the attendees.

Meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.