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Virginia Chamber Unveils 22nd Annual List of Virginia's Fastest Growing Companies – the Fantastic 50

Chantilly – The Virginia Chamber of Commerce celebrated fifty of the fastest growing Virginia companies at the twenty second annual "Virginia's Fantastic 50 Awards Banquet" on April 27 at the Westfields Marriott in Chantilly. More than 400 attendees participated in the banquet to recognize the companies for their success.

"We know that companies will grow and expand where they have the skilled workforce to support their mission," said Barry DuVal, president and CEO of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce. "We are glad to toast the entrepreneurial spirit of these Virginia business leaders and the dedicated employees who have brought these companies continued success."

At the conclusion of the awards banquet, the Chamber announced four Virginia Vanguard winners, recognized for the highest growth in the categories of service, technology, manufacturing, and recognizing the company with the highest overall growth in Virginia. The 2017 Virginia Vanguard Winners are:

Highest Overall Growth: Darkblade Systems, Stafford County

Technology: GuidePoint Security LLC, Herndon

Service: Axis Global Enterprises, Virginia Beach

Manufacturing: O'Connor Brewing Company, Norfolk

A full list of the Fantastic 50 award winners is available below.

About the Awards—Virginia's FANTASTIC 50 award program is a signature event of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce. Now in its 22nd year, the FANTASTIC 50 program is the only annual statewide award recognizing Virginia's fastest growing business.

Nominations for the 2017 FANTASTIC 50 were sought last fall from local chambers of commerce, economic development organizations, and through the sponsors' networks; companies may also nominate themselves.

To be eligible, a company must be privately held with headquarters in Virginia, show revenues between \$200,000 and \$200 million, and demonstrate positive revenue growth and positive net income in its most recent fiscal year over the previous year. Companies are judged on four-year revenue history. The professional service firm Dixon Hughes Goodman verifies all award entries.

The Fantastic 50 award program is sponsored by the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, Cox Communications, Inc., Hunton and Williams, Virginia Business Magazine, Dixon Hughes Goodman, SunTrust Bank, J.P. Morgan Chase, Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, and the Westfields Marriott.

Virginia Chamber of Commerce 2017 Virginia Fantastic 50 Winners

- 1. Darkblade Systems, Stafford (Virginia Vanguard Highest Overall Growth)
- 2. GuidePoint Security LLC, Herndon (Virginia Vanguard Technology)
- 3. Axis Global Enterprises, Virginia Beach (Virginia Vanguard Service)
- 4. SSi, Virginia Beach
- 5. Davis Defense Group, Inc., Stafford
- 6. The Hilb Group, Richmond
- 7. V1 Analytical Solutions, LLC, Arlington
- 8. Cynet Systems Inc., Ashburn
- 9. Concept Plus, LLC, Fairfax
- 10. E3 Federal Solutions, McLean
- 11. RM Advisory Services LLC, Alexandria
- 12. Creative Systems and Consulting, McLean
- 13. Ingenicomm, Inc., Chantilly
- 14. Tribal Tech LLC, Alexandria
- 15. PotomacWave Consulting, Alexandria
- 16. American Cyber, Inc., Clifton
- 17. Cape Henry Associates, Virginia Beach
- 18. Convoke, Arlington
- 19. Impact Makers, Richmond
- 20. O'Connor Brewing Company, Norfolk (Virginia Vanguard Manufacturing)
- 21. Eagle Hill Consulting, Arlington
- 22. Devils Backbone Brewing Company, Lexington
- 23. Veris Group LLC, Vienna
- 24. Morooka America, Ashland

- 25. Insignia Technology Services LLC, Newport News
- 26. DIGITALSPEC, Fairfax
- 27. Highlight Technologies, Fairfax
- 28. SOLitude Lake Management, Virginia Beach
- 29. Brandito, Henrico
- 30. MindPoint Group LLC, Springfield
- 31. Divurgent, Virginia Beach
- 32. Patriot Group International, Inc., Warrenton
- 33. Marathon TS, Kilmarnock
- 34. Sevatec Inc., Fairfax
- 35. Epitome Networks, Richmond
- 36. The Bowen Group, Stafford
- 37. ValidaTek Inc., Arlington
- 38. Pretek Corporation, Chantilly
- 39. Datatility, Inc., Ashburn
- 40. Amatea, LLC, Leesburg
- 41. NuAxis Innovations, Vienna
- 42. ODUrent, Norfolk
- 43. The Frontier Project, Richmond
- 44. AEM Corporation, Herndon
- 45. Technatomy Corporation, Fairfax
- 46. Chmura Economics & Analytics, Richmond
- 47. Higher Logic. Arlington
- 48. Dominion Consulting Inc., Reston
- 49. Markon Solutions, Falls Church
- 50. Zantech IT Services Inc., Tysons Corner

About the Virginia Chamber of Commerce

The Virginia Chamber of Commerce is the largest business advocacy organization in the Commonwealth, with more than 26,000 members. The Chamber is the leading non-partisan business advocacy organization that works in the legislative, regulatory, civic and judicial arenas at the state and federal level to be a force for long-term economic growth in the Commonwealth. Learn more at www.vachamber.com