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New River Valley Commerce Park Recognized by the Japan Times

DUBLIN – The New River Valley (NRV) Commerce Park, a certified, 1,000-acre industrial park in Pulaski County that is owned by Virginia's First Regional Industrial Facility Authority (VFRIFA), was recognized by the Japan Times as a prime location for Japanese businesses expanding to the United States. A link to the article is <https://www.japantimes.co.jp/country-report/southeastern-usa-report-2019/>.

Mary Biggs, VFRIFA Board of Directors Chair said, "We are excited to be recognized for the work VFRIFA is doing with companies around the world in order to encourage new advanced manufacturing facilities in the NRV Commerce Park! The NRV Commerce Park is an incredible asset for the greater New River Valley region of Virginia, which has only been possible through the strategic collaboration of VFRIFA's member localities."

VFRIFA is comprised of 11 member localities: the Counties of Bland, Craig, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, and Roanoke; Cities of Radford and Roanoke; Towns of Dublin, Pearisburg, and Pulaski. These member localities have supported the development of the New River Valley Commerce Park and have been critical to the advancement of the Park.

The NRV Commerce Park has received certifications as an AEP Quality Site- Large Park and as a Tier 4 Virginia Business Ready Site. With all utility infrastructure in place, an industrial access road, an approved 140-acre solar farm, and over a dozen sites to choose from, the NRV Commerce Park is development ready and can accommodate numerous new companies. In addition, the Park is immediately adjacent to the New River Valley Airport, making it an ideal location for companies that have air freight needs, corporate jets, or aircraft manufacturers. Additional information about the NRV Commerce Park can be found at <http://www.nrvcommercepark.com/>.

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