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Chesapeake Bay Cabinet Company Sets Up Shop in Portsmouth

Portsmouth, VA- Richmond-based Chesapeake Bay Cabinet Company (CBCC) has expanded its operations to Portsmouth by purchasing a 21,000 square-foot building in the Airline Business Park for a showroom and distribution center. The company invested \$1.5 million and currently has three employees with a total of thirty jobs anticipated at the site.

Specializing in the design and installation of kitchen and bath cabinetry and countertops, CBCC serves over 70 builders completing an average of over 1200 projects annually and hopes to establish relationships with builders throughout Hampton Roads with an emphasis on new construction.

Mayor James W. Holley, III stated, "I am excited this company has joined Portsmouth's business community. I hope they are able to reap some benefit from the current and future residential development in the city."

Owner Mike Harding noted that, coupled with the demand for quality kitchen designers and dealers in Hampton Roads, the expansion to Portsmouth was largely due to its "central location in Southern Virginia with easy access to Chesapeake, Suffolk, Elizabeth City and various other cities and regions."

Hampton Roads Economic Development Alliance President and CEO, C. Jones Hooks, believes the CBCC choice of Hampton Roads as an expansion site is a perfect example of the region's enviable location for distribution services. "Given the combination of strategic location, superior transportation options and plentiful real estate, Hampton Roads has become a preferred location for distributors. HREDA is very pleased regarding CBCC's expansion decision and wishes them great success."

As recently as January 2006, the Hampton Roads Economic Development Alliance began working with CBCC regarding the possible expansion and subsequent site requirements with the final site selection and purchase assisted by HREDA, the City of Portsmouth Department of Economic Development, Dominion Properties and Advantis GVA. Airline Business Park features six condominium-style flex buildings and is located less than one mile from Interstate 264.

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