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**First Line Technology Brings Expansion to Stafford**

Stafford, VA—First Line Technology, of Chantilly, is expanding its operations to Stafford. First Line, established in 2003, manufactures disaster preparedness, emergency response equipment and products for military and first responders.

First Line will purchase an office and manufacturing/warehouse facility on 487 Lendall Lane in Stafford County. The company sought out several sites in the region before identifying the Stafford site. The County and Stafford Economic Development Authority will assist in the expansion with an incentive agreement equal to a 50% rebate of the tax revenue generated by the company's new business property investment over a five year period. In return, the company is committed to creating and maintaining at least 19 new jobs in Stafford.

"We are eager to encourage these types of businesses to expand and invest in Stafford," said John Holden, Director of Economic Development and Tourism.

First Line has transferred and developed new products. Its newest product is a life-saving decontamination technology for warfighters and first responders nationwide. The U.S. Navy signed an exclusive license agreement with First Line in 2016 to permit the manufacture of the technology developed at Dahlgren.

"First Line is an excellent addition to Stafford's business community. A growing business developing several lines of products for military, first responders, and civilian capabilities aligns with our 'target industries' platform perfectly," said Board Chairman Gary Snellings.

"It is wonderful to see First Line Technology choosing Stafford to expand their business," stated Supervisor Tom Coen, George Washington District. "We recognize the need to protect our military and first responders, and are proud to be the location of a technology transfer agreement with Naval Base Dahlgren. We look forward to their continued expansion in Stafford County."

First Line Technology is a minority-owned small business that develops and commercializes technology that defends the public from hazardous threats for U.S. and international first responders and military personnel.

"This property is perfect for us as it accommodates our needs for office space, our training capability, and the production and assembly of our products," stated Amit Kapoor, President of First Line. "We're excited about the continued growth of the company, and to partner with Stafford County to keep this success in Virginia. Fredericksburg Regional Alliance (FRA) was extremely helpful throughout the site

selection process. Several facilities matched our needs, and we determined the Stafford location fit our current and long-term plans perfectly. It provides a place to showcase our corporate capabilities and space to grow additional product lines.”

FRA President Curry Roberts remarked, “Our hope is that First Line is literally the first of many businesses in the region that will open to develop Dahlgren’s military products for civilian use.”

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