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Valley Tire and Midwest Hose & Specialty Break Ground on New Facility in Cecil Township

(Cecil Township, PA) The Washington County Chamber of Commerce joined officials from Valley Tire Company and Midwest Hose and Specialty, Inc. (MHS) to break ground on MHS' new 33,500 square foot distribution facility in Cecil Township, Washington County.

Valley Tire will construct the new building and lease the space to MHS for their regional distribution business. Jim Stankiewicz, CEO of Valley Tire Company said, "Valley Tire is proud to partner with a great company like Midwest Hose and Specialty to open this new facility in Washington County. This project will bring roughly 15 to 20 new jobs to the county and support the continued growth and success of this company in our region." Valley Tire Company is one of the most successful tire and automotive service companies in the eastern United States with locations in New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Ohio. They serve three distinct markets: automotive and light truck, commercial truck and Industrial/farm, and heavy equipment vehicles. Valley Tire was founded in Western Pennsylvania in 1979.

Rich Kohl, Manager for Midwest Hose and Specialty added, "Midwest Hose is thrilled to be able to move into this new facility, which will nearly double our size and it cannot be ready quickly enough as we are running out of space in our current Bridgeville building. This location will support our continued growth in the region and allow us to continue to hire new team members to serve our customers." MHS is a world-class distributor and manufacturer of layflat, rotary, vibrator, and choke & kill hoses. They serve customers in the oil and gas,



construction, industrial, mining, agriculture, and food/beverage industries across the United States. Their operation in western Pennsylvania is one of two MHS facilities in the state and serves as the main distribution hub for customers in the Northeast. More information on Midwest Hose & Specialty is available here: <https://www.midwesthose.com/about/>.

Larry Maggi, Vice Chairman of the Washington County Commissioners was joined by fellow Commissioner Nick Sherman and members of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors to welcome Midwest Hose and Specialty to the county as well as congratulate Mr. Stankiewicz and Valley Tire on another successful development partnership. Commissioner Maggi noted, “Jim and Valley Tire have been tireless supporters of development in Washington County for decades and have grown their family-owned business to be one of the largest auto and tire service companies in the Tri-State. We are proud to welcome another family-owned business in Midwest Hose to the area and look forward to their continued success in Washington County.”

Jeff Kotula, president of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce stated, “This is the fourth major investment that Mr. Stankiewicz has made in Washington County since I met him a little more than twenty years ago. He has always been a tremendous asset to Washington County and we want to thank him again for his vision and investment in our community.”

Featured in the attached photo (left to right):

Thomas McCarthy (Valley Tire), Rich Kohl (Midwest Hose), Larry Maggi (Washington County Commissioner), Jim Stankiewicz (Valley Tire), Nick Sherman (Washington County Commissioner), Jim Kelly (New-Belle Construction), and Jeff Kotula (Washington County Chamber of Commerce)

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