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Dominion to Construct Warehouse/Office Facility at Patuxent Business Park

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – **Feb. 8, 2016** – The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners announced today that Dominion Cove Point will construct a 50,000-square-foot warehouse and office facility at Patuxent Business Park (PBP) in Lusby. Construction of the new facility, the first to be located in the business park, will commence in late spring 2016.

Dominion Cove Point will build the warehouse and office facility on an 8.3-parcel in the business park, with completion expected by the end of 2016.

"Patuxent Business Park is an excellent location for our new warehouse and office space," said Mike Frederick, vice president LNG operations, Dominion Cove Point. "It meets our needs for a nearby location with easy access to Route 2/4. The project will help strengthen our ties with the southern Maryland community and we appreciate Calvert County's support in helping to bring it to fruition."

"We congratulate and thank Dominion for their continued investment in our community and are thrilled to announce this new project," said Evan Slaughenhoupt Jr., president of the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners. "Dominion is currently constructing the largest economic development project ever seen in the state of Maryland at its Cove Point liquefied natural gas terminal in Lusby. Dominion remains actively engaged with county government throughout the course of the terminal expansion and maintains open lines of communication. We know this collaboration will continue as they embark on construction of a new building at Patuxent Business Park."

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"Dominion Cove Point is a vital part of our community," said Calvert County Director of Economic Development Linda Vassallo. "We are proud of Dominion's contributions to our local economy and quality of life. This new project continues that commitment and fits perfectly with our development goals for Patuxent Business Park."

PBP is a 92-acre business campus designed to accommodate a variety of uses including Class A office and flex space. The park was created in 2002 through a partnership with the Maryland Department of Commerce, the Maryland Economic Development Corporation (MEDCO) and the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners.

"Dominion's decision to build a new facility in Patuxent Business Park is great news for Calvert County and the state and we thank Dominion for their commitment to growing and investing in Maryland," said Maryland Commerce Secretary Mike Gill. "Patuxent Business Park offers a unique advantage to businesses looking to locate or expand in Southern Maryland, with its proximity to our nation's capital as well as the growing community in and around the Patuxent Naval Air Station. We look forward to working with our county partners and MEDCO to welcome more companies to the park."

"MEDCO has been a partner in developing Patuxent Business Park since its inception," said Robert Brennan, MEDCO executive director. "As part of our mission we assist jurisdictions and other partners to increase business activity and commerce in Maryland. "PBP remains a development priority for MEDCO and we are excited to have Dominion Cove Point as our first construction project at PBP."

For information on the Calvert County Department of Economic Development and the many services the county offers the business community, contact the department at 410-535-4583 or 301-855-1880; or by email at info@ecalvert.com. Like Calvert County Government on <u>Facebook</u>.

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