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The Honorable Vanessa E. Atterbeary, Chair House Ways and Means Committee Room 131 | House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Subject: **Support HB 418**, More Jobs for Marylanders Program – Extension and Alterations

Honorable Atterbeary:

On behalf of the Volvo Group Trucks facility, a legal entity of Mack Trucks, Inc., I write to express our support for HB 418 to extend the More Jobs for Marylanders (MJM) Program in which we are enrolled. The bill was introduced to extend this Program, for an additional five years, that uses tax credit incentives to attract new manufacturers and entice existing ones like Volvo Group Trucks to expand in the State of Maryland to create new, high-paying jobs.

Volvo Group North America, with headquarters in Greensboro, NC, employs over 13,000 people in the United States and operates 11 manufacturing and remanufacturing facilities in seven states. In Washington County, Maryland, employees at the Hagerstown facility manufacture powertrains for Mack and Volvo's Class 8 heavy-duty trucks and new battery electric vehicles, as well as Volvo buses and Prevost coaches sold in North America.

We employ ~1,700 people, many of whom are members of the Local UAW Union, and \$212 million has been invested in the 280-acre campus and 1.5 million square foot facility in the last ten years. We strongly support extending the MJM Program to promote innovative manufacturers like Volvo Group Trucks to the State of Maryland.

Sincerely,

Marcus Minkkinen, Vice President

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