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Nakano Warehouse Completes Phase II Expansion at Greenbrier North

Phase II Completion Capitalizes on Strategic Access to The Port of Virginia and Strengthens Chesapeake's International Business Community

CHESAPEAKE, VA. — The City of Chesapeake is proud to announce the successful completion of Phase II of Nakano Warehouse & Transportation Corp.'s facility expansion at Greenbrier North Commerce Park. Operating under the TONNEX brand, the Tokyo-based global leader in transportation and warehousing celebrated this regional milestone with a formal Warehouse Expansion Open House on October 19, 2026.

The Phase II expansion follows Nakano's initial $14 million investment, announced in late 2022, and continues the company's planned growth in Chesapeake. Virginia successfully competed against South Carolina for the original project, which brought Nakano's first East Coast operation to the city.

Since establishing its Virginia branch in September 2023, Nakano has continued to grow its operations in Chesapeake in response to increased demand. The Phase II expansion adds 49,000 square feet of industrial space to the Greenbrier facility. The additional space will increase regional capacity for warehousing, logistics, and tenant operations, while supporting cargo movement through The Port of Virginia and the broader Hampton Roads supply chain. It will also accommodate key tenants, including Prism Maritime and 1-800-PACK-RAT, with occupancy targeted for October 2026.

"Nakano's continued growth in Chesapeake reinforces Virginia's position as a leading destination for logistics and distribution investment. As a trusted partner and global gateway, the Port of Virginia plays an important role in helping companies expand their reach, strengthen supply chains, and achieve long-term success," said Sarah J. McCoy, Executive Director and CEO, Virginia Port Authority.

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“We are proud to see Nakano continue to grow here in Chesapeake,” said Rick West, Mayor of Chesapeake. “When Nakano chose Chesapeake for its first East Coast operation, we knew it would be an important addition to our international business community. This expansion is a great example of the kind of long-term relationship we want to build with companies that invest in our city, and we look forward to continuing that relationship with Nakano for many years to come.”

The expanded facility benefits from Chesapeake’s proximity to The Port of Virginia and access to the region’s highway, rail, and maritime transportation networks. These connections provide Nakano and its customers with access to domestic and international markets while supporting the movement of goods throughout Hampton Roads.

About Nakano Warehouse & Transportation

Founded in 1923 and incorporated in Tokyo in 1951, Nakano Warehouse & Transportation Corp. operates a comprehensive international logistics network. Having marked over 50 years of U.S. operations since opening its first American location in California in 1972, Nakano continues to build on its global reputation through its thriving, expanded operations in Chesapeake. For more information, visit www.tonnex.com.

About Chesapeake Economic Development

The City of Chesapeake Department of Economic Development works to attract new investment, support existing businesses and strengthen Chesapeake’s position as a premier destination for business growth. The department connects companies with the resources, workforce, infrastructure and partnerships needed to establish, expand and succeed in Chesapeake. For more information, visit www.chesapeakeva.biz.

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