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## Worcester County

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We are delighted that you are joining us for the 2017 VIP Commercial Real Estate Tour. We hope that today you will gain insight into the beauty, charm and high quality of life that makes Worcester County so special. We are proud of our communities and of the opportunities for business growth they provide. From our manufacturing hub in Pocomoke City, to the beautiful small town charm of Snow Hill and Berlin, to our population center of Ocean Pines and the development boom in West Ocean City, you will see that Worcester County is thriving. Our Route 50 Corridor boasts a traffic count of over eight million annually, with many of these visitors travelling through on their way to our premiere tourist destination that is Ocean City.

Worcester County offers major tax credits for development, making our area highly attractive as a business location. Three enterprise zones exist in the County, one in Berlin, one in Pocomoke City and one in Snow Hill. Additionally, the entire county is designated a HUBZone, giving certified companies a leg up on federal contracting opportunities.

Our County also offers a superb family friendly lifestyle, outstanding blue ribbon schools and ready access to major metropolitan markets, including Washington D.C., Baltimore and Philadelphia. We invite you to connect with us as we are happy to provide one-on-one services and tours of our flourishing County. We look forward to having a direct conversation with you about what it will take to make Worcester County home to your business.

Sincerely,

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