Dennis H. Treacy (moderator) Reed Smith LLP

Dennis Treacy is Senior Counsel with Reed Smith LLP. He is a fellow with the American College of Environmental Lawyers (ACOEL). He also is a board member of the Smithfield Foundation, the charitable arm of Smithfield Foods. Mr. Treacy is retired from Smithfield Foods, Inc. where he served as President of the Smithfield Foundation and Executive Vice President and Chief Sustainability Officer for Smithfield Foods. In these roles, he directed many areas within the company, including government affairs, corporate communications, environmental programs, sustainability initiatives, charitable giving and the legal department. In addition to the Smithfield Foundation board, Mr. Treacy also serves or has served on dozens of state and national boards and commissions. He is a past board chair of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce and is the immediate past board chair of VIRGINIA*forever*, a unique environmental organization that has members from businesses and natural resource/environmental groups. He also is a member of the Chesapeake Bay Commission. Prior to joining Smithfield Foods in 2002, he served as director of the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. He also served as assistant attorney general in the natural resources section of the Virginia Attorney General's office. He is a 2010 "Distinguished Environmental Law Graduate" from Lewis & Clark Law School in Portland, Oregon, where he graduated in 1983. He completed his undergraduate degree in Forestry and Wildlife at Virginia Tech in 1978, and is a past Rector of its board of visitors.

Ginny Boland (panelist) McGuireWoods Consulting

Ginny Boland is a vice president of advocacy at McGuireWoods Consulting, a public affairs firm headquartered in Richmond, Va. Ginny focuses on providing strategic communications counsel and executing public relations and media relations initiatives. She also has a leading role in the firm's association and coalition management practice where she assists clients with organizational leadership, membership management, board affairs, communications and administrative functions. Prior to McGuireWoods Consulting, Ginny was the public relations manager for MedThink Communications, a healthcare communications agency in Raleigh, NC. She also served in account management roles at Ogilvy PR Worldwide in Cambridge, Mass., and Ruder Finn Public Relations in New York, NY, where she focused on media relations and product communications. She holds a B.S. from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va. She is a member of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) and the Richmond chapter of PRSA.

Peggy Sanner (panelist) Chesapeake Bay Foundation

Peggy Sanner is the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Virginia Executive Director. In that position, she works with elected officials, regulators, other decision makers and partners, and is responsible for the programs and overall operations of CBF in the Commonwealth. Before becoming Executive Director, Peggy served as Virginia Assistant Director and Senior Attorney for the organization, responsible for providing legal and policy guidance on environmental law, with particular emphasis on the legal framework for restoring the Chesapeake Bay and other natural resources. A member of the Virginia State Bar, Peggy has practiced before state and federal courts, agencies and boards and on key policy issues. Before joining CBF in 2010, Peggy litigated environmental and other matters in courts across the country. She began her law practice in Philadelphia at Morgan Lewis & Bockius and served most recently as counsel with Reed Smith in Richmond.

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Matt Wells (panelist) WestRock

Matt Wells is the Senior Manager for State Government Relations for WestRock, a global leader in sustainable packaging solutions. He leverages nearly two decades of experience in politics, policy, and advocacy to oversee the company's legislative interests in over a dozen states. Prior to joining WestRock, Matt served as Special Advisor to the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, where he helped guide the agency's policy and legislative efforts. A veteran of numerous political campaigns, Matt holds a degree in Foreign Affairs from the University of Virginia, and a Certificate in Sustainability from Virginia Commonwealth University. Matt was elected as the Chair of VIRGINIA*forever* in 2019, after serving as the organization's Secretary and Treasurer.