



# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & MISSION CRITICAL CLUSTER

## NEW ALBANY. WE GET BUSINESS.

New Albany's Information Technology & Mission Critical Cluster has attracted the world's leading data management and technology companies, including Google, Facebook and AWS. Its reputation as an ideal location for data operations that demand maximum uptime and minimal risk has led to unprecedented growth in square footage that leads the central Ohio region.

### RELIABLE ENERGY CAPABILITIES

- 765,000-volt transmission line in park
- Nation's largest line powered by AEP
- Triple-feed electric capabilities
- Redundant power systems
- AEP renewable energy programs

### ROBUST FIBER OPTIC NETWORK

- High-speed, 96 strand, secure fiber
- Supports high bandwidth needs
- Carrier-neutral connects hundreds of providers
- Speeds up to 10Gbps
- Three points of presence
- 15.25 miles of backbone, 19.75 miles of loops and 4.5 miles of laterals

### SKILLED, LOWER COST WORKFORCE

- 1.2 million regional workforce
- 52 colleges and universities
- 22,000 annual college graduates
- Youthful talent pipeline
- Top 10 market for millennials

"Jennifer (Community Development Director) and her team are world class. I hold up the standard they set with other economic development officials when we do global site selection projects. It's a partnership and a problem-solving endeavor understanding what the community needs are and what the project needs are and finding that happy medium."

~ Brad Davis, Director of Data Center Economic Development, Meta

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#### MINUTE DRIVE

POPULATION: 138,933

EMPLOYED: 81,521

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#### MINUTE DRIVE

POPULATION: 1,244,114

EMPLOYED: 677,514

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#### MINUTE DRIVE

POPULATION: 1,968,370

EMPLOYED: 1,049,546

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## REGION'S LARGEST STRATEGICALLY PLANNED PARK

- Technology- and shovel-ready sites
- 25% faster permitting
- Pre-zoned business sites
- One-stop planning support
- Complementary site planning
- Four freeway interchanges
- Express COTA bus service
- First/last mile transit service
- Technology incubator

## ATTRACTIVE LOCAL AND STATE TAX INCENTIVES

- 100% property tax abatement
- Green Building Incentive
- State sales tax exemption on data center equipment
- Ohio Job Creation Tax Credit
- Innovation Ohio Loan Fund

## FAVORABLE CLIMATE AND LOCATION

- Lower risk of flooding, earthquakes, tornadoes
- Remote locations away from population center
- Ample acreage for buffer zones
- Temperate climate reduces cooling costs
- 20 minutes to John Glenn International Airport
- 35 minutes to Rickenbacker International Airport, cargo-dedicated



## COLUMBUS METROPOLITAN REGION

One of the nation's fastest-growing metropolitan areas, the Columbus region boasts a young, well-educated population of 2.2 million with a median age of 35.9. In contrast to other Midwest cities, Columbus's working-age population has grown nine percent in just five years driven by an affordable cost

of living, vibrant communities, good schools and low crime rate. It's listed among the top 10 in CNBC's best cities for young families while Realtor.com rates it third best for new graduates to live, work and play. Home to The Ohio State University, Battelle Memorial Institute, academic medical centers and top-ranked liberal art schools, it offers robust R&D and a great place to innovate. *Forbes* magazine ranked Columbus first among top 10 emerging cities for startups with a low cost of doing business. Smart Asset, Lending Tree and *Fortune* magazine rank Columbus first among top cities to work in technology.

**"We located our own data center here because of the strength of the grid and the nature of the fiber. One of the first new technologies that AEP authored was a 765,000-volt transmission system—the largest in the country—and it runs right through the city."**

~ Mark McCullough, Former Executive Vice President, Transmission, AEP

