

**Abbott**

### Long-Term Partnership and Proactive Execution

Abbott Nutrition — Altavista, VA

Becknell Industrial was selected by Abbott Nutrition to develop a new warehouse and distribution facility in Altavista, Virginia, reinforcing the strong relationship built over a seven-year site search and planning process.

The 260,000 SF facility will serve as a strategic extension of Abbott's existing operations in the region. The project required close coordination with municipal partners, including the Town of Altavista and local utilities. One of the key infrastructure challenges involved extending a natural gas line over two miles to reach the site—ultimately funded through a negotiated agreement that saved Abbott significant upfront costs.

Although early geotechnical reports raised concerns, Becknell worked closely with consultants to walk the site, validate findings, and plan accordingly. As a result, earthwork execution proceeded smoothly and within anticipated ranges. The building's design includes food-grade specifications, a dedicated cool room, vertical dock levelers, and is slated for LEED certification.

Becknell's ability to adapt to Abbott's rigorous internal standards—reviewed by in-house Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) across engineering disciplines—further demonstrated the firm's expertise in meeting complex client expectations. The facility remains on schedule for completion in January 2026.

