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Opening Statement of Kevin Czinger, Executive Chairman and Founder of Divergent 3D

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Thank you, Mr. Chairman and distinguished members of the committee, for the opportunity to testify here today. I’m here representing Divergent, but I’m also here as someone who has spent a lifetime believing in America’s capacity to lead.

I grew up working class in Cleveland—an industrial city that once proudly helped power the American economy. Football helped me earn a college education and I later served as a U.S. Marine before becoming an inventor and technology entrepreneur. What drives me is the belief that this country, more than any other, has the ingenuity, the grit, and the values to lead the world in innovation.

I founded Divergent because I saw what happened to America’s industrial core. We didn’t just outsource jobs—we outsourced our national strength. We weakened our supply chains, to save a buck in the short run. We ignored the needs of our workers and our communities. We gave China the lead.

Now, we need a fix. This can’t be done through traditional, incremental steps. We must fundamentally rethink manufacturing and the factory itself.

That’s why Divergent was built from a clean sheet of paper. We started with what the future demands. Divergent developed the world’s first fully integrated digital industrial system. By combining AI, generative design, additive manufacturing, and robotics—we design, print, and assemble high-performance structures at industrial volumes faster and with greater flexibility than ever before.

It is fully operational, proven across aerospace, defense, and automotive platforms—and it is entirely based here in the United States.

We’ve proven the system at scale—delivering components for fighter jets, hypersonics, and space systems. We are currently working with every major U.S. defense prime and with some of the most demanding commercial auto companies in the world, including Aston Martin, McLaren, and Bugatti. These companies do not compromise on performance or precision.



A depleted munitions stockpile, huge sustainment backlogs, and obsolete parts are plaguing the Defense Department. Divergent is ready now to step in and scale production. Faster, more resilient, and at a lower cost to the taxpayer.

Now think ahead— a nationwide network of next generation American factories that don't just build resilience— they rebuild America's industry. This isn't one factory making one product. It's factories, able to serve many industries, produce any part, and support hundreds of companies across the country. That's what Divergent enables. That's how we upskill the American workforce. That's how we take jobs back from China and bring them back home— under standards that uphold human rights and deliver good wages.

This is about more than advanced technology—it's about responsibility and resilience. It's about rebuilding an industrial base that is accountable to the nation it serves. Because we've seen what happens when fragile global supply chains break— whether in a pandemic or in a war.

After the Soviet Union launched Sputnik, President Kennedy went to Dr. von Braun, the Director of NASA, and asked how the US could catch up. Von Braun replied: "Mr. President, we won't catch them in Earth orbit. We need to beat them to the Moon."

Divergent is proof of what's possible when innovation is unleashed. Now think about what we could achieve if we aligned policy, capital, and the will to accelerate this innovative transformation. This is our chance to re-industrialize with purpose.

Let's not only play defense. Let's play offense. Let's not only reshore manufacturing over the coming years. Let's leapfrog China today with proven technology. Let's lead—again. And let's do it in a way that builds a more vibrant, secure, and equitable America.

Thank you. I look forward to your questions.