



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Statement From New York State Senator Rich Funke

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“Ever since we learned we would be the photonics capital of the world, Rochester has been eager to see this growing industry attract jobs and investment in our community. With today's news, photonics stands for more than just Rochester's potential – now it means hundreds of real Rochester jobs. I'm proud our significant state investment is supporting the sort of public private partnership that can attract over 1,000 new, high-tech jobs from Silicon Valley right here to Rochester. Thank you to Governor Cuomo, Photonica, Avogy, and all of our public and private partners for helping to transform our historic successes in optics into more jobs and opportunity here for years to come.”