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Gordie Follin is the Chief Product Officer for Beehive Industries, a 3D manufacturer of jet engines for unmanned defense applications. In this role he is responsible for product strategy and execution, business development, sales, marketing, and program management. He is currently based in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. Follin, a native of Virginia, attended Virginia Tech and graduated with B.S. and M.S. degrees in Aerospace Engineering. He began his professional career with Pratt & Whitney as a performance engineer supporting the Joint Strike Fighter program for the military engines business. After 4 years with Pratt, Mr. Follin joined General Electric in 2000 as an engineer for the GE Energy business in Atlanta, GA. He held several roles of increasing responsibility in the areas of product support, services, and project engineering. During this time, he was most notably the manager of Fulfillment Engineering for the GE Aero Energy business in Houston, Texas where he led the execution of customer contracts for power generation equipment. He has been awarded three patents for his work developing technologies for gas turbines and has active patent applications for aircraft engine technologies.

In 2010, Mr. Follin moved to GE's Aviation division as the Engineering leader for Product Development and later served as the Engineering Leader of Marine and Industrial products for GE Aviation. In this role, Mr. Follin was responsible for the development and support of aero-derivative gas turbines for the Oil & Gas, Energy, and Marine markets.

In 2015, Mr. Follin was the Executive Manager of the Catalyst engine program for GE Aviation. This development program was a global collaboration of 7 countries and featured a variety of new technologies including extensive use of additive manufacturing. Mr. Follin served as the General Manager for Business and General Aviation products at GE Aerospace before transitioning to Beehive in 2021.

Mr. Follin served on the Virginia Tech College of Engineering Advisory Board, including a term as the Board's Chair. He is passionate about recruiting and community development and has led many student tutoring, mentoring, and community service projects. He also enjoys spending time with his family, cycling, and home restoration projects. He is married to Michelle, also a Hokie, and has two daughters, ages 19 and 16.