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## Virginia Station Phase I Site receives AdvantageSite designation

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., August 25– The Virginia Station Phase I industrial site in Mobile County has received an AdvantageSite designation.

The AdvantageSite program requires that community economic development organizations provide documentation specific to a proposed industrial site, including a set of standard data related to ownership/control, environmental and geotechnical conditions, and infrastructure status.

Sites must also meet size, zoning and accessibility requirements.

“The AdvantageSite designation of Virginia Station Phase I is important to Mobile County, given the site’s location near the Highway 43 corridor, I-65 and ThyssenKrupp,” said Troy Wayman, vice president of economic development at the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce. “I would like to thank Virginia Station, LLC, Gulf States Engineering, and the City of Creola for their work on this designation.”

“We applaud the Mobile economic development team for their work on the first AdvantageSite in the area,” said Greg Knighton, Economic Development Partnership of Alabama vice president and director of business information.

“And we’re proud of the continued growth of AdvantageSite designations in the state and the program’s growing impact. One company recently cited the program as a positive factor in its decision to locate in Alabama at an AdvantageSite. Likewise, we are hopeful that this designation for Virginia Station will further enhance its marketability.”

The AdvantageSite program is jointly sponsored by the Alabama Development Office, Alabama Gas Corporation, Alabama Power Company, EDPA, the North Alabama Industrial Development Association and PowerSouth Energy Cooperative.

The voluntary industrial site preparedness program was created in order to make the state more competitive for companies considering a location in Alabama.

For more information on the AdvantageSite program, please visit [www.edpa.org/bscadvantagesitepublic.asp](http://www.edpa.org/bscadvantagesitepublic.asp)