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## **MG Industrial Park receives AdvantageSite Re-designation**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Oct. 23 – The MG Industrial Park, in Franklin County, Alabama’s third AdvantageSite, has received its re-designation from the Economic Development Partnership of Alabama.

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

The 190 acre site is located on Alabama Highway 243, 38 miles from I-22 and 50 miles to I-65. The Northwest Regional Airport in Muscle Shoals, AL is 20 miles and the Russellville Municipal Airport is just south of the site.

The application process was managed locally by Franklin County Industrial Development Board with a team of local entities supporting and/or participating in the process.

AdvantageSite is a teamwork approach between the private sector and state and local governments geared toward having prepared product and materials ready for industrial prospects. The program is jointly sponsored by the Alabama Development Office, Alabama Gas Corporation, Alabama Power Company, the North Alabama Industrial Development Association, PowerSouth Energy Cooperative, and coordinated by the Economic Development Partnership of Alabama. Representatives from each of the entities actively participate in application reviews and on-site visits to prospective AdvantageSite designees.

“We are pleased that the MG Industrial Park has been re-designated as an Alabama AdvantageSite. This is a great program that proves the MG Industrial Park is shovel ready, which is very important to today’s industry.” **Clint Dotson, Chairman, Franklin County Industrial Development Board**

“The Alabama AdvantageSite program is a great way to differentiate Franklin County from other communities. By having all of the due diligence complete and documented we can definitively state to industry and site selection consultants that we are ready for their business and can get their company into operation quickly. With the MG Industrial Park being near Toyota plants in Huntsville and Tupelo, MS and also Navistar we see this as an important component to our recruitment strategy.” **Mitch Mays, Executive Director, Franklin County Development Authority**

AdvantageSites are featured on EDPA’s buildings and sites database, the statewide database of industrial buildings and sites used by site selection consultants, state economic developers, and companies looking to expand in Alabama.

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