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Geneva County Industrial Park receives AdvantageSite designation

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 13 – Geneva County Industrial Park has received an AdvantageSite designation.

The Economic Development Partnership of Alabama's AdvantageSite program awards designations to community development organizations that successfully complete a comprehensive site documentation process. Required documentation is specific to a proposed industrial site and requires data related to ownership/control, environmental and geotechnical conditions, as well as infrastructure status. Sites must also meet size, zoning and accessibility requirements.

"The AdvantageSite designation of Geneva County Industrial Park is extremely important to our business recruitment efforts," said Frank Thompson, Executive Director at the Enterprise Coffee Geneva Economic Development Corp. "This designation proves to our clients that this site is ready for any prospective industry and that we are able to meet short project timeframes."

An 89.4-acre site, Geneva County Industrial Park is strategically located at AL Highway 31 and Chancy Road, 25 miles from I-10 and 25 miles from Dothan Regional Airport. Port of Panama City is located 65 miles to the south of the site. The site is zoned M-2 for industrial, service or commercial use and is served by water, sewer, electricity and gas at the site boundary.

Geneva County Industrial Park is the 36th site in Alabama to receive the designation, and the second site in the Enterprise Coffee Geneva Economic Development Corp area.

"Sites that are awarded the AdvantageSite designation do have an advantage," said Greg Blalock, EDPA AdvantageSite Coordinator. "We're getting inquiries from other state economic development organizations, which are looking at creating similar programs for a reason – they're effective. There is value in a site having a formal designation. It is visible evidence that a site has been looked at by a third party, or in this case, multiple parties, who can confirm that essential information on the site is readily available and correct."

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.

The AdvantageSite program is a voluntary industrial site preparedness program created in order to make the state more competitive for companies considering a location in Alabama. It is managed by EDPA, in cooperation with the Alabama Department of Commerce, Alabama Gas Corporation, Alabama Power Company, the North Alabama Industrial Development Association, and PowerSouth Energy Cooperative.

For more information on the AdvantageSite program, please visit www.edpa.org/bsc/advantagesites.asp.