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Mallard Fox West Industrial Complex receives AdvantageSite designation

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 23 – Mallard Fox West Industrial Complex in Lawrence County 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 Lawrence County Industrial Development Board is very pleased to have achieved Advantage Site Status in its 946 acre Mallard Fox West Industrial Complex. Throughout the multi-year process of reaching this milestone our support team worked tirelessly to ensure all the infrastructure was in place to enable us to meet the Advantage Site requirements. I appreciate the hard work and support of all our partners who helped guide us to this prestigious designation. As the market for recruiting new industry becomes more competitive, being advertised as an Advantage Site will significantly enhance our opportunities for success" said Tony Stockton, Executive Director of the Lawrence County Industrial Development Board.

The 946-acre site is located adjacent to AI 20/US 72A, a major east-west four-lane. The entrance onto AI 20/US 72A is 12.5 miles and 15 minutes from the interchange of AI 20/US 72A with I-65 and I-565. Norfolk Southern Rail's main line runs east-west through the middle of the site and is five miles by road from the Port of Morgan County on the Tennessee River.

Mallard Fox West Industrial Complex is the 39th site in Alabama to receive the designation, and the first site in Lawrence County.

"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 Development Office, 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.