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Troy Industrial Park South receives AdvantageSite designation

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 3 – Troy Industrial Park South has received 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.

“Receiving the AdvantageSite Certification is extremely rewarding,” said Marsha Gaylard, president of the Pike County Economic Development Corporation. “A lot of hours have gone into qualifying Troy’s Industrial Park South for this distinction, but it was well worth the effort. I want to thank the AdvantageSite team for their dedication and vision in initiating this program.”

“It is important that the City give every advantage to our Economic Development staff in this very competitive environment” said Mayor Jimmy C. Lunsford, City of Troy. “We believe that the purchase of desirable land and the investment in infrastructure are dollars well spent. The certification as an AdvantageSite elevates our efforts to recruit industry that will complement our current industrial base. My thanks go to Marsha Gaylard and her team for the hard work put into the preparation of documents and the formal presentation that allowed the City to receive an Advantage Site designation.”

“Troy Industrial Park South, along with other designated sites around the state, will be featured as an AdvantageSite on the statewide industrial property database” said Greg Knighton, Economic Development Partnership of Alabama vice president and director of business information. “AdvantageSite designation indicates to prospective industry that access to key site documentation can be available for accurate, timely project evaluation.”

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. Representatives from each of the entities actively participate in application reviews and on-site visits to prospective AdvantageSite designees.

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.advantagealabama.com/bsc/advantagesitepublic.asp