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New Technology Company Locates in Hancock County

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi – A high technology company, MAC LLC, has chosen the Port Bienville Industrial Park in Hancock County as its research, development and light manufacturing company location. Creating up to 50 new jobs when fully operational, MAC is focused on developing and producing new, proprietary, lightweight ammunition technology for military applications.

The company is leasing facilities from Hancock County through the Port & Harbor Commission that were vacated following Hurricane Katrina. Rocky Pullman, Hancock County Board of Supervisors President, said, “We’ve worked with the owners of this company in the past, and they have a proven track record of creating local jobs that we need in our storm-ravaged county. We are happy to help support them in this effort, and welcome MAC to our community.”

The State of Mississippi’s award to Hancock County of a \$1.99 million grant for use in repairing and improving the County-owned property was a factor in the company choosing Hancock County. “We are most grateful to the State and to Hancock County for helping develop needed facilities critical to the next phase of MAC’s business development. We are gratified to be able to contribute to the region’s economic growth,” said MAC’s President, Nick Malkovich.

The State of Mississippi awarded the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Economic Development Disaster Recovery Program funds to the County through the Mississippi Development Authority. In turn MAC is expected to create 50 new technology and light manufacturing jobs supporting County and State economic development.

MAC’s technology offers ammunition weight savings of up to 25%, while retaining all of the operating characteristics of conventional, brass ammunition. The reduced weight will enhance military tactical and strategic mobility and lethality by allowing soldiers and vehicles to carry more ammunition.

The Port Bienville Industrial Park is managed by the County’s economic development authority, the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission (HCPHC). Commission President Robert Kane aid, “We’re pleased that our staff’s many months of work with MAC and the Mississippi Development Authority have resulted in another company location that will create new, good paying jobs for Hancock County residents.”

MAC, LLC is a Mississippi corporation under contract to the U.S. Department of Defense with the primary mission of commercializing material science-based solutions for the military and commercial applications.

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