

# Chemicals and Energy

Produce. Refine. Market.

Southeast Mississippi is fully invested in meeting the world's ever-increasing demand for chemicals and energy products- the state's two largest exports.



## **Competitive Advantages**

- Mississippi is a right-to-work state with a supportive business climate, aggressive incentives and expedited environmental permitting.
- Southeast Mississippi offers an outstanding transportation network that includes three federal interstate highways, multiple four-lane highways and access to four in-state commercial airports.
- The region has access to three in-state Gulf Coast ports with connection to four class I rail lines.
- Southeast Mississippi has a vast inventory of industrial sites and buildings, including sites that meet strict development criteria through Mississippi Power's Project Ready® certified sites program.
- Mississippi Power offers superior reliability, worldclass customer service and customizable rates.

#### Trained and Ready Workforce

- Southeast Mississippi is home to a skilled and motivated workforce that is supported by a network of community colleges with customized training programs.
- The newly implemented Mississippi Works program is designed to meet the workforce recruitment needs of current and prospective businesses.
- Mississippi's workforce team can design a customized workforce screening and training program strategy to meet the needs of new and existing industry.
- Companies have access to a partnership of community colleges specializing in training chemical and energy professionals.
- Mississippi State University has partnered with Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College to offer a four-year engineering degree program to support the chemical and energy sectors in the region.

An associates degree in instruments and controls is offered through the state-of-the-art Instrument and Controls (I&C) Academy at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College (MGCCC). The I & C Academy is an on-going educational partnership between MGCCC and Southern Company allowing potential employees to train on cutting-edge instrumentation that will equip them for the challenges of an evolving industry. Additionally, MGCCC offers programs in process operations, as well as maintenance technology in support of the chemical and energy industries.



#### Impressive Performance

- Mississippi's energy production and distribution industry employs over 22,000 in Mississippi.
- Mississippi is one of a handful of states with a CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network.
- Chevron Pascagoula has grown to be Chevron's largest domestic refinery.
- Chemours in Delisle specializes in the manufacturing of titanium technologies and other chemical applications.
- First Chemical located in Pascagoula produces a wide spectrum of chemical platforms used in consumer products such as pharmaceuticals and automotive components.

# Leading Chemical and Energy Companies in Southeast Mississippi

- Enterprise Products
- Chemours
- Chevron
- Colonial Pipeline
- Denbury
- Gulf LNG
- Matheson Tri-Gas
- Mississippi Power
- Plantation Pipeline
- Zeon Chemicals

### Mississippi Clean Energy Initiative Incentives Program

The Mississippi Clean Energy Initiative Incentives Program provides enhanced tax incentives to companies that manufacture systems or components used to generate clean, renewable or alternative energy that locates or expands in the state. Qualifying companies that create 250 jobs and make a \$50 million investment may receive a 10-year state income tax exemption, 10-year franchise tax exemption, as well as an exemption from sales and use tax during start-up.



