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## **Governor Musgrove Authorizes Mississippi National Guard For Security at Grand Gulf**

Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove on Tuesday signed an executive order authorizing Mississippi National Guard personnel to provide security at the Grand Gulf nuclear plant in Port Gibson, Mississippi.

“We have received credible threats regarding the security of public utilities, and we are taking those threats seriously,” Musgrove said. “Our primary concern is the safety and security of the people of Mississippi. We are addressing that concern with this action.”

National Guard Adjutant General James H. Lipscomb III has been directed to order personnel to Grand Gulf to provide additional security. The number of personnel and duration of the mission have yet to be determined.

The Federal Aviation Administration has banned aircraft from flying within 11.5 miles of any of the nation’s 86 nuclear plant facilities.

“I have been in constant communication with Tom Ridge, Director of Homeland Security,” said Musgrove. “We are taking steps to heighten security in accordance with the information received from his office.”