

[ASSISTANT] SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, being a duly elected [Assistant] Secretary of Hancock Natural Resource Group, Inc. ("HNRGI"), the duly authorized Investment Manager of JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Massachusetts corporation ("the Company"), does hereby certify to the following:

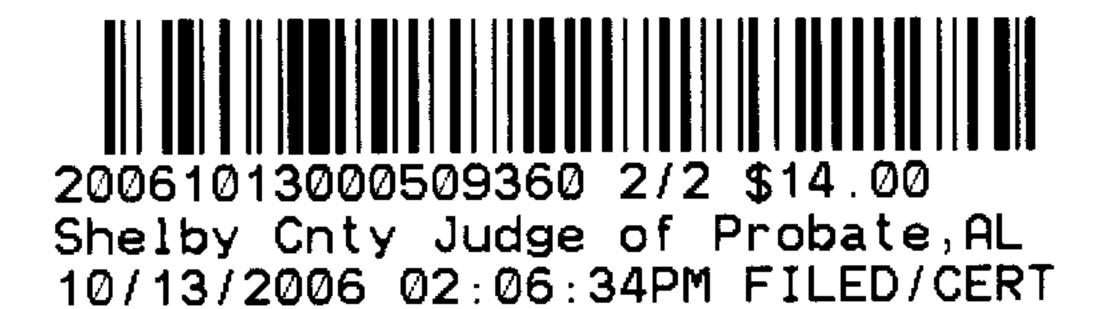
1. Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 175, §64 (the "Statute") states that:

No investment, sale, or loan...shall be made [by a life insurance company organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts] which has not first been authorized by the board of directors, or by a committee thereof charged with the duty of investing or loaning the funds of the company.

...

The board of directors, or committee thereof, referred to above, may authorize by vote...one or more officers of the company or of any other person in the investment advisory business to acquire or dispose of investments for such company between meetings of the said board or committee....

- 2. The Company is a life insurance company organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 3. The Committee of Finance of the Company (the "COF") is charged, *inter alia*, with the duty of investing or loaning the funds of the Company as contemplated in the Statute.
- 4. Among its actions, HNRGI engages in an investment advisory business to acquire and dispose of investments for the Company.
- 5. Pursuant to a vote of December 13, 1999, as it may be amended from time to time ("Delegating Vote"), the COF authorized any corporate officer of HNRGI elected by the board of directors of HNRGI who has requisite investment authority ("Authorized Officer"), to acquire or dispose of certain timberland investments for the Company in accordance with the terms of the Delegating Vote ("Authorized Transactions").
- 6. The Natural Resource Investment Committee of HNRGI ("NRIC") has authorized the disposition of certain timberland held by or on behalf of the Company in accordance with procedures and authorities established in a vote dated May 19, 2005 ("Specified Transactions").
- 7. An Authorized Officer has authorized the sale of the Property to Eddleman Properties, LLC, in accordance with the terms of the Delegating Vote, and HNRGI has taken the necessary action to have the sale of the Property qualify as a Specified Transaction.
- 8. The sale of approximately 794.64 acres of timberland, located in Shelby County, State of Alabama (the "Property") is, therefore, an Authorized Transaction and is authorized as a Specified Transaction.



9. Pursuant to a vote of the NRIC dated April 21, 1999 ("Operating Vote"), the following officers are authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Company any and all instruments required in connection with the administration of investments made or authorized to be made by or on behalf of the Company, which has been authorized by the COF or which has been approved between meeting of the COF in accordance with a vote of the COF authorizing between meetings investments, such as the Delegating Vote:

[A]ny one of the following officers of HNRGI:

President, a Senior Vice President, a Vice President, a Senior Investment Officer, and Investment Officer, or an officer of equivalent rank within HNRGI, or any other officer of HNRGI authorized by the Board of Directors of HNRGI or the [NRIC] to take any of the actions set forth in [the Operating] Vote.

10. Pursuant to a vote dated November 4, 1997, the Board of Directors of HNRGI voted:

That the Executive Managing Director, any Managing Director, the President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Director of Operations and Stewardship, the Director of Acquisitions, ..., the Northwest Region Manager, the Manager of Acquisitions, ..., the South Region Manager, the South Region Forester and the Northeast Region Manager of [HNRGI], or any one of them, are hereby authorized to execute and seal with the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver any and all instruments required in connection with any authorized investment, sale, loan, pledge, or other transaction managed by [HNRGI] on behalf of [the Company]....

11. Courtland L. Washburn, who is executing the documents for the sale and disposition of the Property, is a Senior Vice President & CIO of HNRGI.

By:

The foregoing remain in full force and effect as of the 25th day of September, 2006.

HANCOCK NATURAL RESOURCE GROUP, INC.

Karen M. Bonner, [Assistant] Secretary