Articles of agreement made this 24th day of Dec 1853 between the Alabama Coal Mining Company of the one Part and N. H. McGahey of the Second

part witnesseth the said W H McGahee agrees to sell and convey and does hereby sell and convey the exclusive right of way for a Rail road or Rail roads over his lands described as follows Viz, lands bounded on the east by lands belonging to the estate of John Preston dec, and on the south by Shoal Creek and on the north lands lately sold by Edmund King to George D. Shortridge and by him to H M Caldwell and land of John Summerlin being parts of the E½ of NW¼ and N½ of NE¼ of Sec 5 Township 24 range 12 East containing one Hundred acres more or less being the land recently purchased of D. W. Preston and W. L. Preston and the said W. H. McGahee agrees so soon as his title is perfected to said land for which he now only holds a bond to convey to said Coal mining Company the exclusive right of way for a road or roads over said lands from the Coal Mine to the Ala and Tenn River Rail Road exclusive of all other right for such road by him or any other person claiming by from or under him and the said Coal mining Company agree in consideration thereof to pay the said W H McGahee Three Hundred Dollars and to execute three note for the same payable in Thirty days from the date hereof in witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this 24th day of Dec. 1883 (Seal)

D E, Patrons Prest. of C Comp.
W H McGahee (Seal)

State of Alabama Shelby County in Consideration of the Three Hundred Dollars mention within the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and in accordance with the stipulations contained in the within agreement I Washington H McGahey of said County do by these presents Sell grant and convey unto the Alabama Coal Mining Company the exclusive right of way for a rail road or rail roads over the lands described in the within agreement being parts of the E½ of S.W. ¼ & W½ of SE¼ of Section five Town=ship 24 Range 12 East lying in said

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County & State containing a hundred acres more or less the said Railroad to run from the mines of said Company to the Alabama & Tennessee Rivers Railroad and as do by these presents warrant the same rights of way exclusive as to all persons whatsoever Witness my hand and seal this the 13 day of September 1861. W. H. McGaughy (LS)

Dual for rights of way

State of Alabama } I John P. Morgan an
Shelby County } acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County hereby certify that W. H. McGaughy whose name is signed to the foregoing Conveyance & who is known to me acknowledged before that he executed the same with full knowledge of its contents and voluntarily on the day the same bears date this Sept 3, 61 J P Morgan J P

Filed for record September 16th 1861 and recorded the 17th of the same month

J. M. McManaman
Judge of Probate