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STATE OF ALABAMA SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared John M. Hardy, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is John M. Hardy. I am 61 years of age and have been familiar with the properties now owned by United Cement Company, Inc. for the past 55 years.

I know where the old Montevallo-Calera dirt road is located and where the Southern Railroad is and know where the settlement road and the Montevallo-Calera paved highway pass through Sections 5 and 6 in Township 24, Range 13 East, Shelby County, Alabama.

I have read an abstractor's page of that certain deed from F. H. Hardy to S. A. Latham dated October 23, 1916 and recorded in Deed Book 60 page 238 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, and it is called to my attention that the deed conveyed several forties of land lying side by side and off the north portion of Sections 5 and 6. I did not know that my father, F. H. Hardy had owned this land, but I am familiar with where the Southern Railway and the old Calera and Montevallo dirt road and the settlement road mentioned in said deed are located and I know the same are located in Range 13 East and not in Range 12 East. I also know of my own knowledge that the Montevallo-Calera road was changed and the new road was paved about the year 1925 and the location of the paved road has remained the same since that time. I also know that the old Montevallo-Calera dirt road where it crossed Sections 5 and 6 of Township 24, Range 13 East ran south of and somewhat parallel to said paved highway and, although portions of said dirt road have been covered up and have been used for other purposes, there are still some strips of it remaining and you can see where the same ran. I am also familiar with the old road leading from the Montevallo-Calera dirt road in a northerly direction to the Southern Railroad track where the same runs across portions of SWF of NWF and NWF of NWF of Section 5, Township 24, Range 13 East, and said road is sometimes known as the lime kiln road and, in reality it led to my home here I lived as a boy and also ran to the Hardy lime kiln near the Southern Railway and I know the same has not been changed throughout the years, to my best recollection. Said Montevallo-Calera paved highway is one and the same as the Calera-Montevallo public road and the same may be referred to by

other names, but it is the only paved road passing through said land.

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Affiant further says he recalls when the F. H. Hardy heirs sold certain land to H. E. Williams in 1943 as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 117 page 200 in said Probate Office. Affiant says he knows it was the intention of the heirs of F. H. Hardy to sell the said H. E. Williams all of the land in Section 8 which they owned or had any claim to and affiant knew where the same was located as he looked after the lands of F. H. Hardy after the death of his father and was administrator of the estate and knows of his own knowledge that none of said heirs now claim any interest in or to land in Section 8, Township 24, Range 13 East, Shelby County, Alabama. Affiant further says he knows of his own knowledge that none of said heirs make any claim to any part of the land situated between the paved Montevallo-Calera Highway and the old Montevallo-Calera dirt road either in the SWI of NWI of said Section 5 or in any other land between said roads as we have heretofore sold all our interest in the same some 20 years ago. Affiant further says at the time he and the other heirs of F. H. Hardy made said deed to H. E. Williams, it was their intention to convey only the property they owned at that time. Affiant says he knows of his own knowledge neither he nor any of the Hardy heirs claim any interest in said land mentioned above and we have not assessed or paid taxes on it since we sold the same.

Affiant further says he knows H. E. Williams went into possession of all of said land between said paved and dirt roads mentioned above and later sold the same to W. R. Lindbloom who built a dwelling house between said two roads.

Affiant further says he knows H. E. Williams, W. R. Lindbloom and their successors in title have been in the actual possession of said land continuously since 1943.

John M. Hardy

Sworn to and subscribed to before me on this

day of March, 1965.

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