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PARTIAL RELEASE AND QUITCLAIM

Reference is made to the following-described instruments (herein collectively called "the Conveyances") which have been made and entered into between SG Methane Company, a Texas joint venture composed of Lester H. Smith and Russell D. Gordy (herein called "SG"), whose address is 811 Dallas Street, Suite 1505, Houston, Texas 77002, and the Trustees of the Estate of Bernice Pauahi Bishop, a perpetual trust pursuant to the law of Hawaii (herein called "the Bishop Estate"), whose address is 567 South King Street, Suite 200, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813:

1. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated April 3, 1989, recorded in Probate Book 260, page 536 of the records of Shelby County, Alabama.
2. First Amendment to Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated November 21, 1989, recorded in Probate Book 296, page 243 of said records.
3. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated November 21, 1989, recorded in Probate Book 296, page 347 of said records.
4. First Amendment to Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated February 8, 1990, recorded in Probate Book 296, page 271 of said records.
5. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated March 29, 1990, recorded in Probate Book 296, page 375 of said records.
6. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated June 1, 1990, to be recorded in said records.
7. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest (Additional Interest) dated June 1, 1990, to be recorded in said records.
8. First Amendment to Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest (Additional Interest) dated September 27, 1990, to be recorded in said records.
9. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated April 23, 1991, to be recorded in said records (Cahaba).
10. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest (Additional Interest) dated April 23, 1991, to be recorded in said records (Cahaba).
11. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest dated April 23, 1991, to be recorded in said records (Cahaba Extension).
12. Conveyance of Overriding Royalty Interest (Additional Interest) dated April 23, 1991, to be recorded in said records (Cahaba Extension).

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McKenzie Methane Corp.

Capitalized terms as used herein, unless otherwise defined in this instrument, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Conveyances. Under the terms of each of the Conveyances, SG assigned, transferred and conveyed to the Bishop Estate certain rights and interests in the Subject Land. SG has requested that Bishop Estate execute this instrument to evidence that the Conveyances cover only those rights, interests, leases and contracts described therein and purportedly covered thereby insofar as the same relate or pertain to the lands and interests in Shelby County, Alabama described as:

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- (a) Those interests and those interests in wells, personal property and equipment described in and conveyed to SG by those certain partial assignments from McKenzie Methane Corporation to SG, et al., described in Schedule I attached hereto; and
- (b) Those lands described in Schedule II attached hereto,

which such lands and interests are herein called "Said Land"; and therefore that said Conveyances do not attach, cover, encumber or constitute a lien on any lands and interests which are not described in the partial assignments described in said attached Schedule I or those lands described in said attached Schedule II.

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR A VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, SG and the Bishop Estate stipulate, agree and provide that the Conveyances, and each of them, are hereby modified and amended, effective with respect to each such Conveyance as of the effective date thereof, so as to limit said Conveyances to Said Land and to delete therefrom all rights, titles and interests of whatsoever nature except for Said Land; and except for the rights, titles and interests which relate to said Land, the Bishop Estate assigns, quitclaims and conveys to SG without warranty of title any and all of the rights, titles and interests inuring to its benefit or to which it is or might be entitled pursuant to the Conveyances, and each of them, insofar only as the same relate

to all rights covered thereby, including those which relate to the Subject Land and the Subject Minerals.

None of the Conveyances shall be altered, amended or in any manner affected hereby insofar as the same cover, encumber or relate to Said Land, and none of the rights, titles, interests or estates owned or claimed by the Bishop Estate under the provisions of the Conveyances, or any of them, are released, novated, cancelled, altered, impaired or affected hereby except to the extent that any or all of the same cover, relate or pertain to the Leases to the extent the same cover the Subject Land and the Subject Minerals other than Said Land.

Reference is hereby made to said Schedule I and said Schedule II, to all instruments and records mentioned or referred to therein or herein, and to all of those mentioned in all of said instruments for all pertinent purposes.

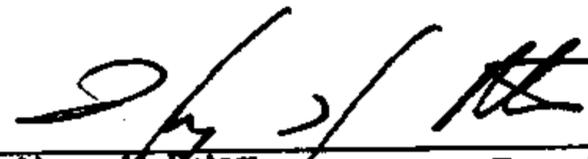
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, SG and the Bishop Estate have executed this instrument as of the 8th day of November, 1991, to be effective with respect to each of the Conveyances as of the effective date of such Conveyance.

SG METHANE COMPANY

By: 
Russell D. Gordy, Partner

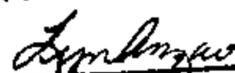
By: 
Lester H. Smith, Partner

TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE OF BERNICE PAUHI BISHOP

By: 
Henry H. Peters, Trustee

By: 
William S. Richardson, Trustee

APPROVED AS TO FORM


Legal Department

SCHEDULE I

CAHABA

Partial Assignment dated December 19, 1989, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 284, Page 01 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 374, Page 823 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 600)

Partial Assignment dated March 20, 1990, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 170, Page 03 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 133, Page 177 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 601)

Partial Assignment dated March 20, 1990, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 287, Page 475 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 374, Page 829 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 602)

Partial Assignment dated June 15, 1990, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 325, Page 600 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 374, Page 836 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 603)

Partial Assignment dated June 15, 1990, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 325, Page 610 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 374, Page 846 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 604)

Partial Assignment dated June 15, 1990, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 131, Page 546 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 133, Page 182 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 605)

Partial Assignment dated January 15, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 326, Page 388 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 606)

Partial Assignment dated January 15, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 131, Page 707 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 607)

Partial Assignment dated January 15, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 326, Page 379 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 374, Page 850 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 609)

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Partial Assignment dated January 15, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 326, Page 384 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 374, Page 855 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 610)

Partial Assignment dated January 15, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 131, Page 702 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 133, Page 189 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 611)

Partial Assignment dated January 15, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 131, Page 697 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. As Amended by Amendment of Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, and recorded in Book 133, Page 193 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 612)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in book 374, Page 859 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 617)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 863 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama.
(AL2 618)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 197 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 619)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 868 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 620)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 873 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 621)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 201 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 622)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 205 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 623)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 210 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 624)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 877 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 625)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 881 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama.
(AL2 626)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 214 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 627)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 218 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 628)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 222 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 629)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 226 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 630)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 230 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 631)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 234 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 632)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 238 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 633)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 242 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 634)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 246 of the Judge of Probate Records of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 635)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 885 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. (AL2 636)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 889 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. (AL2 637)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 893 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. (AL2 639)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 374, Page 897 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. (AL2 640)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 254 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. (AL2 641)

Partial Assignment dated August 1, 1991, between McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Assignor, and SG Methane Company, et al, as Assignee and recorded in Book 133, Page 258 of the Judge of Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. (AL2 642)

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SCHEDULE II

An undivided 41.67% interest in the following-described leases INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR as said leases cover the lands in Shelby and Bibb Counties, Alabama, described under the caption "(IIIC PROGRAM)" below and an undivided 16.49% interest in said leases INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR as they cover the lands in said counties described under the caption "(129 PROGRAM)" below, which leases and lands consist of and are described as:

CAHABA AREA

Coal Seam Gas Agreement and Option dated September 30, 1988, between USX Corporation, as Lessor, and McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Lessee, recorded by Memorandum of lease dated November 30, 1988, in Book 222, Page 386 of Shelby County, Alabama and Amendment to Memorandum of lease dated November 14, 1989 and recorded in Book 180, Page 343 of Shelby County, Alabama and Book 128, Page 953 in Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 001)

Coalbed Methane Gas Lease dated June 1, 1989, between Southern Electric generating Company and Kimberly-Clark Corporation, as Lessor, and McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Lessee, recorded by a Memorandum of lease dated June 1, 1989, in Book 254, Page 568 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama; and recorded by a Memorandum of lease dated June 1, 1989, in Book 128, page 106 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 013)

Coalbed Methane Gas Lease dated June 1, 1989, between SOUTHERN ELECTRIC GENERATING COMPANY, as Lessor, and McKenzie Methane Corporation, as Lessee, recorded by a Memorandum of Lease dated June 1, 1989, in Book 254, Page 559 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama; and recorded by a Memorandum of Lease dated June 1, 1989, in Book 128, Page 116 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Bibb County, Alabama. (AL2 014)

(IIIC PROGRAM)TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST:Section 8

Tract 1 - (AL2 1963)
E/2 of NE/4

Tract 2 - (AL2 1964)
W/2 of NE/4

Tract 3 - (AL2 1965)
E/2 of SW/4

Tract 4 - (AL2 1966)
E/2 of SE/4

Section 22

Tract 5 - (AL2 1968)
E/2 of NW/4

Section 3

Tract 6 - (AL2 1838)
W/2 of NW/4

Tract 7 - (AL2 1873)
S/2 of NE/4

Tract 8 - (AL2 1837)
W/2 of SE/4

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TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST - CONT'D:

Section 15

Tract 9 - (AL2 1817)
E/2 of NW/4

Section 28

Tract 10 - (AL2 1967)
E/2

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST:

Section 11

Tract 11 - (AL2 1959)
E/2 of NW/4

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST:

Section 10

Tract 12 - (AL2 1906)
SE/4 of NW/4 and the SW/4 of the NE/4

Section 13

Tract 13 - (AL2 1962)
S/2 of SW/4

(129 PROGRAM)

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST:

Section 15

Tract 1 - (AL2 905)
NE/4 of SE/4

Tract 2 - (AL2 907)
SW/4 of SE/4

Tract 3 - (AL2 1982)
NE/4 of NW/4

Tract 4 - (AL2 1980)
SW/4 of NW/4

Tract 5 - (AL2 1981)
SE/4 of NW/4

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Tract 6 - (AL2 1742)
NW/4 of SW/4

Section 10

Tract 7 - (AL2 1988)
NW/4 of NE/4

Tract 8 - (AL2 1987)
SE/4 of NW/4

Section 10

Tract 9 - (AL2 1973)
NE/4 of SW/4

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TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST - CONT'D:

Section 2

Tract 10 - (AL2 1979)
SW/4 of SW/4

Tract 11 - (AL2 1978)
NE/4 of SW/4

Tract 12 - (AL2 1977)
SW/4 of SE/4

Tract 13 - (AL2 1976)
SW/4 of NE/4

Section 20

Tract 14 - (AL2 1985)
NW/4 of SW/4

Tract 15 - (AL2 1983)
NW/4 of SE/4

Tract 16 - (AL2 1984)
SW/4 of NW/4

Section 30

Tract 17 - (AL2 1933)
SE/4 of SW/4

Tract 18 - (AL2 1986)
NW/4 of SE/4

Section 31

Tract 19 - (AL2 1975)
SE/4 of NE/4

Section 22

Tract 20 - (AL2 1974)
NE/4 of NE/4

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST:

Section 11

Tract 21 - (AL2 1828)
NE/4 of SE/4

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST:

Section 1

Tract 22 - (AL2 1970)
NW/4 of SE/4

Section 12

Tract 23 - (AL2 1935)
NW/4 of NW/4

Section 14

Tract 24 - (AL2 1971)
NE/4 of NE/4

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TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST - CONT'D:

Section 14

Tract 25 - (AL2 1972)
SW/4 of NE/4

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST:

Section 36

Tract 26 - (AL2 1969)
SE/4 of SE/4

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1. Deed Tax	\$	_____
2. Mtg. Tax	\$	_____
3. Recording Fee	\$	30.00
4. Indexing Fee	\$	3.00
5. No Tax Fee	\$	_____
6. Certified Fee	\$	1.00
Total		\$34.00

STATE OF ALA. SHELBY CO.
I CERTIFY THIS INSTRUMENT WAS FILED

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