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Send Tax Notice To:

Rice Land Company, L.L.C.
824 Heatherwood Trail
Birmingham, AL 35244

Inst # 1997-22489

STATUTORY WARRANTY DEED

STATE OF ALABAMA)

) KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

SHELBY COUNTY)

That for and in consideration of THREE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$360,000.00) and other good and valuable consideration to the undersigned JOE L. TIDMORE, a married man, and CHARLES O. TIDMORE, a married man ("Grantors"), in hand paid by RICE LAND COMPANY, L.L.C. ("Grantee"), the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantors do by these presents grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Grantee the following described real estate (the "Property") situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit:

SEE EXHIBIT A ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The Property is conveyed subject to the following:

- (1) Taxes and assessments for the year 1997, and subsequent years, which are not yet due and payable;
- (2) Fire district and library district assessments and other assessments, if any, for the current year and all subsequent years thereafter;
- (3) Right of Way granted to Alabama Power Company by instrument recorded in Volume 170, Page 253 and Volume 187, Page 58 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama;
- (4) Right of Way to Shelby County recorded in Volume 167, Page 303 in said Probate Office; and
- (5) Mineral and mining rights not owned by Grantors including those recorded in Volume 305, Page 303 in said Probate Office.

And subject to the foregoing, Grantors will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the Property unto Grantee against the claims of all persons owning, holding or claiming by, through or under Grantors, which claims are based upon matters done or suffered by Grantors subsequent to Grantors' acquisition of the Property and prior to the delivery of this deed to Grantee.

THE PROPERTY WHICH IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS
CONVEYANCE IS NOT THE HOMESTEAD OF GRANTORS OR
GRANTORS' SPOUSES.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Grantee, its successors and assigns
forever.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Joe L. Tidmore and Charles O. Tidmore have hereto set their signatures and seals this 15th day of July, 1997.

Joe L. Tidmore
Joe L. Tidmore
Charles O. Tidmore
Charles O. Tidmore

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
JEFFERSON COUNTY)

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Joe L. Tidmore, a married man and Charles O. Tidmore, a married man, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day that, being informed of the contents of such conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal, this 15th day of July, 1997.

J. M. Laubli
Notary Public

[SEAL]

My commission expires:

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EXHIBIT "A"

A lot in the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 25, Township 20, Range 3 West, more particularly described as follows: Begin at a point where the west margin of the Right of way of U.S. Highway No. 31 intersects the North boundary of said Quarter-Quarter section and run thence westerly along the North Boundary of said Quarter-Quarter section 156.20 feet; thence south 7° 01' west 944.20 feet to the west margin of said right of way of said U.S. Highway No. 31; thence run north 16° 15' east along the west boundary of said right of way 970.22 feet to the point of beginning, Less and Except the north 350 thereof. Subject to easements and rights of way of record.

the ownership of a portion of said lot having been changed by document recorded in Deed Book 364, page 806, Shelby County, Alabama, said lot is better described as follow:

Commence at the northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of section 25, Township 20 South, Range 3 Shelby County, Alabama, thence run southerly along the west line of said 1/4-1/4 section for 373.97 feet; thence turn 81° 19' 53" left and run southeasterly for 652.61 feet to the point of beginning; thence turn 90° 57' 10" left and run northeasterly for 125.14 feet; thence turn 83° 17' 01" right and run easterly for 100.25 feet to a point on the westerly right of way line of U. S. Highway No. 31; thence turn 104° 19' 43" right and run southwesterly along said road right of way for 321.85 feet; thence turn 75° 27' 22" right and run westerly for 45.12 feet; thence turn 93° 13' 47" right and run Northerly for 188.00 feet to the Point of beginning.

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