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Send Tax Notice To:

W. C. Rice Oil Co., Inc.
2511 28th Street SW
Birmingham, AL 35211

STATUTORY WARRANTY DEED

STATE OF ALABAMA)
) **KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:**
SHELBY COUNTY)

That for and in consideration of SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$750,000.00) 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 W. C. RICE OIL CO., INC. ("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 232, Page 387 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama; and
- (4) Mineral and mining rights not owned by Grantors.

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. Laughlin
Notary Public

[SEAL]

My commission expires:

9/23/99

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Exhibit "A"

Commence at the Northeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 4, Township 24 North, Range 12 East; thence run West along the North line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 a distance of 253.00 feet; thence turn an angle of 71° 04' to the left and run a distance of 191.46 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue in the same direction a distance of 230.28 feet to the northeast margin of an unpaved street; thence turn an angle of 113° 13' to the right and run along the northeast margin of said street a distance of 245.80 feet to a point on the southeast right of way line of Alabama Highway No. 25; thence turn an angle of 86° 08' to the right and run along the southeast right of way line of said highway, a distance of 202.45 feet; thence turn an angle of 90° 39' to the right and run a distance of 168.76 feet to the point of beginning; being situated in the northeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 4, Township 24 North, Range 12 East. Subject to easements and rights of way of record.

LESS that part of said land acquired by the State of Alabama Highway Department for Project No. S-44 (8).

The remaining tract of land being described as Follows:

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