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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

EASEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations unto the undersigned Grantor KENT UPTON, property owner (hereinafter at times referred to as the "Grantor") in hand paid by ALABAMA GAS CORPORATION, an Alabama corporation, the receipt and sufficiency of which considerations are hereby acknowledged, and the said Grantor does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Alabama Gas Corporation, its successors, assigns and lessees from the date hereof a right-of-way and easement for any one or more or the following purposes: Laying, constructing, erecting, setting, installing, renewing, repairing, inspecting, replacing, maintaining, operating, removing, changing the size of, modifying and relocating one or more of its pipe or pipelines, mains, conduits and appliances and appurtenances thereto over, under, upon and across a (10) ten foot easement described as follows:

See Attachment "A"

Together with the right of ingress to and egress from said strip of land adjacent lands of the Grantor and all the rights and privileges necessary or convenient for the full enjoyment and use of said right-of-way and easement for the purposes above designated.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said right-of-way and easement perpetually unto the said ALABAMA GAS CORPORATION, and its successors, assigns and lessees, provided, however, that the Grantor herein expressly reserves for itself and its successors and assigns the right to use and enjoy the premises above described in so far as such use and enjoyment by the Grantor, its successors and assigns shall not unreasonably interfere with the use of said easement and right-of-way by the said ALABAMA GAS CORPORATION, its successors, assigns and the lessees under the grant herein set forth, and provided further that the Grantor and its successors, assigns will place no permanent structures upon the said right-of-way and easement. The Grantor expressly covenants that it is the owner in fee of the real property herein conveyed and has a good right to execute this agreement and to grant said easement and right-of-way.

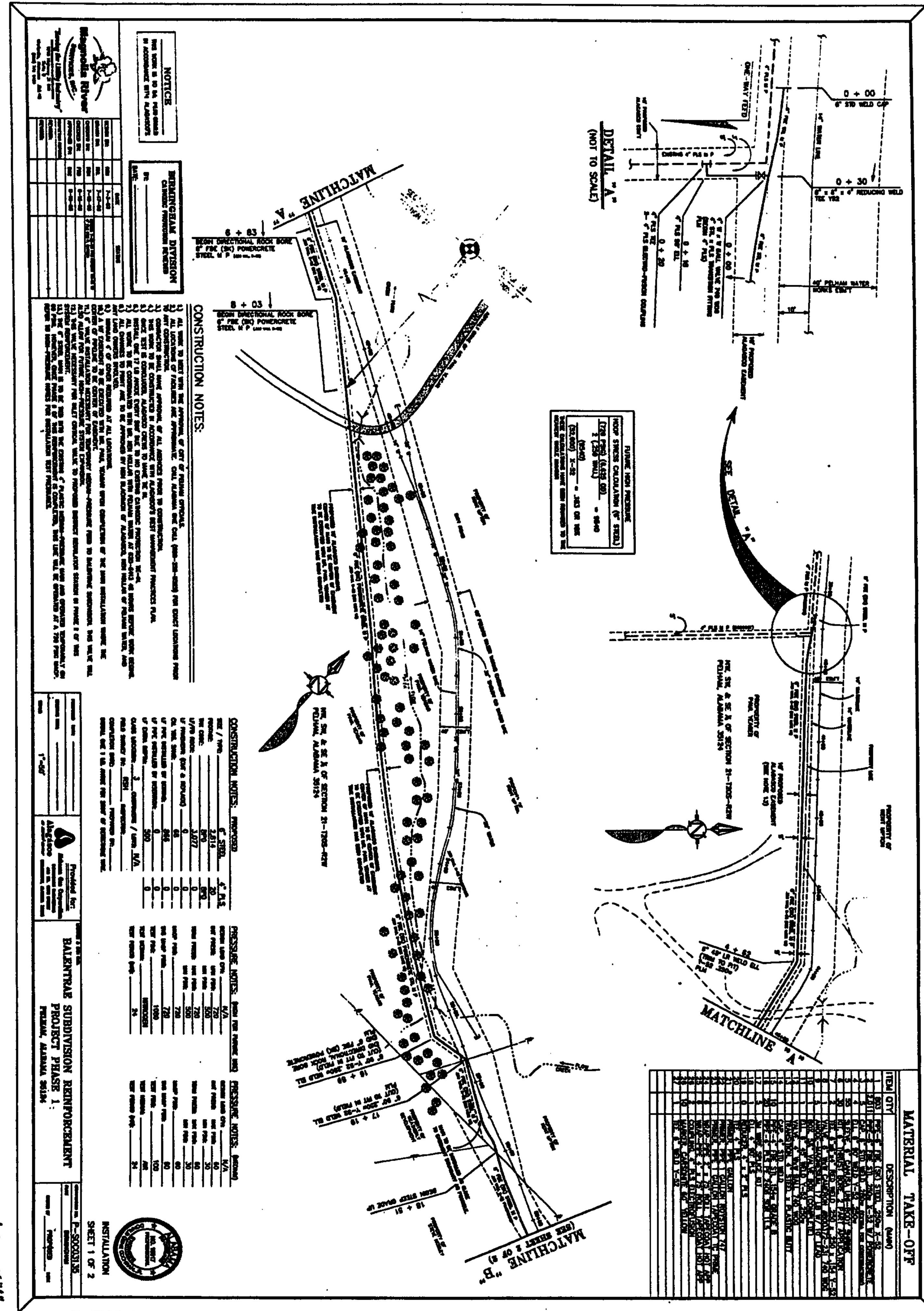
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Grantor has caused these presents to be executed for and in its corporate name and behalf and its corporate seal hereunto to be affixed and attested all by its proper officials who are thereunto duly authorized, on this the 23RD day of ANUMRY, 2004.

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