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Grant of Easement for Underground Facilities within a Subdivision

STATE OF ALABAMA

W.E. # A6170-08-A026

COUNTY OF ~~JEFFERSON~~ SHELBY

This instrument prepared by: Dean Fritz

Alabama Power Company
2 Industrial Park Drive
Pelham, AL 35124

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That the undersigned, **Newcastle Development, LLC**, (hereinafter known as "Grantor", whether one or more) is the owner of record of the real property more particularly described in that certain instrument recorded in Instrument #2021102900052510, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of the above-named County (hereinafter "the Property") which Grantor intends to subdivide; and

WHEREAS, Grantor desires to have Alabama Power Company and/or its successors and assigns (the "Company") construct, operate and maintain underground electric distribution and service facilities to provide electric service to houses or other improvements to be constructed upon the Property, and therefore is willing to grant to the Company easements, rights, and privileges for the construction, operation and maintenance of such electric facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One and No/100 Dollars (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Grantor does hereby agree and covenant with the Company as follows:

1. Grantor does hereby grant to the Company, its successors and assigns, the following easements, rights, and privileges for the purposes of constructing, operating, maintaining, repairing and replacing in, over and under the surface of the Property, conductors, riser poles, guy wires and anchors, conduits, cables, transformers, switchgear, translosures, pad-mounted equipment, light poles and associated fixtures, and all other facilities useful or necessary in connection therewith (collectively, "Facilities"), for the underground transmission and distribution of electric service, and also for underground communication service, at those places where the Company's facilities enter and leave any subdivision, along routes and in areas to be selected by the Company as provided herein, together with the right of ingress and egress to and from the easement areas and all other rights and privileges necessary or convenient for the full use and enjoyment thereof:
 - a) Underground Distribution Line Easement. An easement for the Company's underground Facilities, which shall be ten (10) feet wide, and shall extend the greater of five (5) feet from road right-of-way or five (5) feet from all sides of the underground conduits and conductors, as and where now or hereafter installed by the Company; together with the right to excavate the soil within said easement, and remove any trees, rocks and other obstructions, as necessary or convenient, for the construction, maintenance, repair, replacement, safety or operation of Company Facilities, and also the right to cut, remove, and otherwise keep clear any and all trees, undergrowth, structures, obstructions, or obstacles of whatever character, on, under and above said easement which, in the opinion of the Company, may now or hereafter endanger, interfere with, or threaten to endanger the operation and maintenance of the Company's Facilities, and also to prevent the surface elevation over said Facilities from being reduced by more than four (4) inches, unless permitted in writing by the Company in each instance.
 - b) Easement for Above-Ground Facilities Associated with Underground Distribution Lines: An easement for the Company's above-ground Facilities necessary or useful for providing underground service to buildings or other improvements, specifically including riser poles, guy wires and anchors at those places where the Company's Facilities enter and leave any subdivision, light poles and associated fixtures, and all pad-mounted equipment which shall include any and all portions of the Property on which such Facilities are constructed or installed. The width of the Company's above-ground easement will depend on the type of equipment: for poles, the right of way will extend fifteen (15) feet on all sides of such poles as where now or hereafter installed; for all other overhead Facilities, the right of ways shall extend five (5) feet on all sides as and where now or hereafter installed by the Company. Further, with respect to overhead Facilities, the Company is also granted the right to install and use anchor(s) and guy wires on land adjacent to said right of way, the right to clear, and keep clear, any and all trees, undergrowth, structures, obstructions, or obstacles of whatever character, on, under, and above said easement which, in the opinion of the Company, may now or hereafter endanger, interfere with, or threaten to endanger the operation and maintenance of, the Company's Facilities, and also the right to trim and cut, and keep trimmed and cut, all dead, weak, leaning or dangerous trees or limbs outside of the aforementioned right of way that, in the opinion of the Company, may now or hereafter endanger, interfere with, or fall upon any of said overhead Facilities.
 - c) Underground Service Easement: An easement for the Company's service Facilities to each house or other improvement, now or hereafter constructed on each subdivided lot on the Property. Such service easement shall extend five (5) feet on all sides of said Facilities running to the service entrance for each house or other improvement, as and where now or hereafter installed by the Company; together with the right to excavate the soil within said easement, and remove any trees, rocks and other obstructions, as necessary or convenient for the construction, maintenance, repair, replacement, safety or operation of the Company's Facilities, and also the right to cut, remove, and otherwise keep clear any and all trees, undergrowth, structures, obstructions, or obstacles of whatever character, on, under and above said easement which, in the opinion of the Company, may now or hereafter endanger, interfere with, or threaten to endanger the operation and maintenance of, the Company's Facilities, and also to prevent the surface elevation over said Facilities from being reduced by more than four (4) inches, unless permitted in writing by the Company in each instance.

d) Easement Locations. As provided above, the particular areas to be covered by the easements granted herein are to be determined by the locations at which the Company installs its various Facilities. Unless the right is granted pursuant to a separate instrument, and except with respect to Facilities described in paragraph 1.C above, the Company agrees that it will only install its Facilities within the following described areas to be determined by subdivision plat(s) to be recorded in the Probate Office records in the County in which the Property is located:

- (i) within road rights-of-way;
- (ii) within twenty-five (25) feet of the boundaries of road rights-of-way;
- (iii) within ten (10) feet of any front and rear property lines of the lots shown on the subdivision plat(s);
- (iv) within five (5) feet of any side property lines of the lots shown on said plat(s);
- (v) within any area shown or described on said plat(s) as an area for electric utility facilities or utility facilities in general

To the extent that any lot line abuts a lot line of another lot in the same subdivision, it shall be deemed a side lot line. All other lot lines shall be deemed front or rear lot lines. The dimensions of the particular easement areas are described in paragraphs 1 a). b), and c), and the locations are to be determined by the locations at which such Facilities are installed.

2. If, in connection with the construction or improvement of any public road or highway, it becomes necessary or desirable for the Company to move any of the Facilities, Grantor hereby grants to the Company the right to relocate the Facilities and, as to such relocated Facilities, to exercise the rights granted above; provided, however, the Company shall not relocate said Facilities on the Property at a distance greater than twenty-five feet (25') outside the boundary of the right of way of any such public road or highway as established or re-established from time to time.
3. The Company shall not be liable for any damages to or destruction of any shrubs, trees, roots, flowers, grass or other plants caused by the equipment or employees of the Company or its contractors engaged in the construction, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement or removal of the Company's Facilities. Appropriate meter locations must be obtained from the Company prior to installing or relocating service entrance facilities.
4. The Company will retain title to all Facilities installed by the Company or its contractors, including but not limited to the service lateral and outdoor metering socket serving each house or other improvement and said service entrance facilities provided by the Company will not in any way be considered a fixture or fixtures and thereby a part of said real estate, but will remain personal property belonging to the Company and will be subject to removal by the Company in accordance with applicable Rules and Regulations filed with and approved by the Alabama Public Service Commission.
5. This grant and agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Grantor, the Company and each of their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns and the words "Company" and "Grantor" as used in this instrument shall be deemed to include the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of such parties.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same to the Company, its successors and assigns, forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Grantor has caused this instrument to be executed by Donald M. Woodruff¹⁴, its authorized representative, as of the 10th of February, 2026

ATTEST (if required) or WITNESS:

[Signature]
 Signature
Development Manager
 Title

Newcastle Development, LLC
 GRANTOR
[Signature]
 Signature
CFO
 Title

-----For Alabama Power Company Corporate Real Estate Department Use Only-----

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Tax ID #'s: TBD

STR: SW/NW, NW/SW, NW/SE, SE/NW, SW/NE, NE/SW, SE/SW and SW/SW Section 24, 21S, 3W

Subdivision Information: Walker Springs – The Ridge

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All Facilities on Grantor: [Yes]

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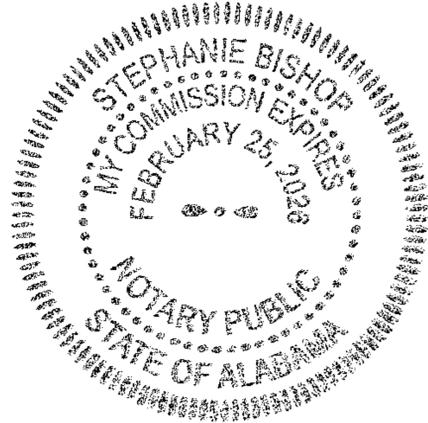
STATE OF Alabama

COUNTY OF Shelby

I, Stephanie Bishop, a Notary Public, in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Donald M Woodruff III, whose name as CFO of Newcastle Development, LLC, is signed to the foregoing instrument, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of this instrument, as such officer and with full authority executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said LLC.

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 10th day of February, 2026.

[SEAL]



Stephanie Bishop
Notary Public

My commission expires: 2/25/28



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