



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia holds title to 142.4± acres with custody in the Georgia Forestry Commission, located on Georgia Highway 178 in the City of Lyons, Georgia being more particularly described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, ("the Premises"); and
- WHEREAS:** By Executive Order dated September 21, 1956 custody and control of the Premises was transferred from the Georgia State Prison to the Georgia Forestry Commission; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia Forestry Commission has utilized the Premises as a forest nursery, known as Page Nursery, since 1956 but recently reduced operations; and
- WHEREAS:** By Executive Order dated September 2, 1999, custody of 24.26± acres of the Premises was transferred from the Georgia Forestry Commission to the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia ("Board of Regents") for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) years; and
- WHEREAS:** By Executive Order dated March 16, 2000, custody of an additional 3.043± acres was transferred from the Georgia Forestry Commission to the Board of Regents for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) years; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Forestry Commission has again reduced its operations at Page Nursery and no longer has a need for the Premises (which includes the 24.26± acres and the 3.043± acres previously transferred to the Board of Regents) except for two (2) active research sites which collectively equal approximately twenty (20) acres which the Georgia Forestry Commission wants to retain along with reasonable rights of ingress and egress ("Testing Sites") with this retained easement and shall terminate on the day before the tenth (10th) anniversary of the date of the Order; and
- WHEREAS:** The Board of Regents desires to operate the Premises for expansion of the University of Georgia's College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences' Vidalia Onion and Vegetable Research Center which is a critical component in its mission to serve its clients in southeast Georgia; and

WHEREAS: On July 6, 2007, the Georgia Forestry Commission approved of and concurred in the transfer of the Premises to the Board of Regents on the condition that Georgia Forestry Commission retains full access to the Testing Site for ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS: On June 12, 2007, the Board of Regents agreed to accept the approximately 142.2 acre Premises from Georgia Forestry Commission for the use and benefit of the University of Georgia with a retained easement by the State Properties Commission, custody in Georgia Forestry Commission of the testing site with the right of ingress and egress.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That title to the above-described 142.4± acre Premises be and the same is hereby transferred from the State of Georgia with custody in the Georgia Forestry Commission to the Board of Regents, subject to an easement on the twenty (20) acres testing site along with reasonable ingress and egress right that shall expire on or before the tenth (10th) anniversary of date of this Order.

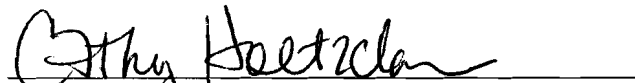
This 12th day of January, 2009.

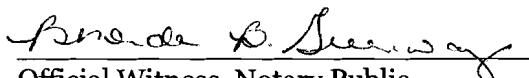

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of:


Unofficial Witness


Official Witness, Notary Public
My Commission Expires: Aug 8, 2010

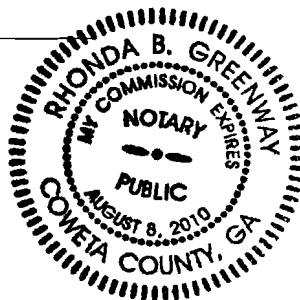


EXHIBIT A

142.4± ACRES

All that tract of land, hereinafter referred to as the "Property", containing 142.4± acres, situate, lying and being in the 1403 Georgia Militia District of Toombs County, Georgia, and is known as a portion of the property acquired on March 14, 1932 from J.V. Kelley (inventoried in State Properties Commission records as RPR or DR#1268) and known as the Newton Tract, as recorded in the Toombs County Clerk's Office of Superior Court in Deed Book 19, Pages 309-310, said property being bounded as follows, and as shown on a July 9, 1956, drawing or map prepared for the State of Georgia:

On the East the lands of Sid Newton and Turner Fair; on the North by lands of the Reidsville State Prison (Newton Field), on the west by lands of Sid Newton and the Reidsville State Prison (Newton Field), and on the South by lands of Sid Newton and Georgia State Highway No. 147, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at Station "A" a wooden fence post the southerly most corner of the land hereby conveyed, and a common corner for the lands of Sid Newton, thence N. 28 degrees 30 minutes East 2500 feet to Station "B" (a wooden stake), then North 76 degrees 10 minutes West 363 feet to Station "C" (a wooden stake), thence North 28 degrees 40 minutes West 789 feet to Station "D" (a wooden stake), thence North 76 degrees 10 minutes West 1100 feet to Station "E" (a wooden stake), thence South 28 degrees 30 minutes West 3100 feet to Station "F" being situated on east edge of Georgia State Highway No. 147, thence South 76 degrees 10 minutes East 312 feet to Station "G", thence North 24 degrees 50 minutes East 107 feet to Station "H", thence South 75 degrees 0 minutes East 175 feet to Station "I", thence South 13 degrees 45 minutes West 101 feet to Station "J", thence South 76 degrees 10 minutes East 1640 feet to Station "A" the point of beginning, all of which will more fully appear by reference to a map of said tract of land made by Norman E. Brooks and S. P. Darby, dated July 9, 1956, a copy of which is hereto attached, and made a part hereof.