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Via Electronic Mail

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Mike Fletcher County Engineer Lowndes County, Georgia

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RE: Petition for Road Abandonment

Racetrack Rd. SE/County Road #310

Dear Mike,

Our firm represents Southern Gateway, LLC, which owns property surrounding all sides of Racetrack Rd. SE/County Road #310. Southern Gateway, LLC is requesting that Racetrack Rd. SE/County Road #310 lying West of Madison Highway be abandoned by the County and conveyed to Southern Gateway, LLC. For your reference, I am attaching a recorded subdivision plat showing the portion of Racetrack Road SE/County Road #310 sought to be abandoned and conveyed to Southern Gateway, LLC.

As you know, Racetrack Rd. SE/County Road #310 is a stub-out from Madison Highway which runs West and dead-ends into remaining property of Southern Gateway, LLC. As a dead-end road, the road has ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial purpose is served by it. With respect to the Southern Gateway, LLC property, the road is not needed as there are other access points from the Southern Gateway, LLC property onto Madison Highway. In addition, its removal from the county road system is in the best interest of the County because the County continues to maintain a road that serves no purpose to the public. There have also been past instances of dumping and trespass because of the road remaining open, and abandoning the road will allow the property owner to install a gate to prevent this from occurring in the future.

Please let us know if there is anything further needed from our office to address this request. I am also copying Jeff Lovell, as his firm is assisting with engineering on the property. Once you have the public hearing set for this matter, please let us know the dates of the scheduled meetings as well. We appreciate your assistance with this matter.