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The People of Zleh Town,
Gbao Administrative

District, Grand Gedeh County

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P.O. Box 10-3010

Whein Town, Mt. Barclay

1000 Monrovia, 10 Liberia

June 3,2011





PRIVATE USE PERMIT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE PEOPLE OF ZLEH TOWN, GBAO ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT, FOR THE HARVESTING OF 28,1-3 HECTARES OF FORESTLAND LOCATED IN GBARZON SATUTORY DISTRICT, GRAND GEDEH COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

A.D. 2011, by and between the Government of Liberia, through the Forestry Development Authority, hereinafter referred to as the Authority, represented by its Managing Director, Moses D. Wogbeh Sr. and the People of Zleh Town, Gbao Administrative District, Grand Gedeh County, hereinafter referred to as Gbao represented by FRANKBROOK, LIBERJA, INC by and thru James G. Kario, hereinafter collectively referred to as the Parties, hereby;

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Authority is statutorily responsible for the sustainable management and use of all categories of forest resources;

WHEREAS, the Citizens of Gbao Administrative District, Grand Gedeh County, above described, are legitimate and bonafide owners of an aggregated land mass of 69541 acres/28,143 hectares of forested land by virtue of possession through a legitimate grant by a Tribal Land Certificate;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Section 5.6 (d) (i) of the National Forestry Reform Law (NFRL) of 2006, copy of a said Tribal Land Certificate under the signature of the Land Commissioner of Grand Gedeh County, dated March 10, A.D. 2007 in proof of ownership of the subject aggregated tract of land is hereto attached and marked Exhibit "A" in bulk to form a cogent part of this contract;

WHEREAS, in further verification of the subject property, the Ministry of Lands, Mines & Energy finally gives authentication and verification to the said Gbao Tribal Land Certificate through a letter under the signature of Acting Assistant Minister/Director of Liberian Cartographic Service Maxwell C.F. Gwee. Attached also is the said verification letter marked Exhibit "B" to form an integral part of this Contract;

WHEREAS, citizens including elders and youths of the above named Gbao Administrative District, have given their written consent to the appointment and selection of FRANKBROOK LIBERIA, INC. by and thru James G. Karto for the sustainable management of their forest resources. The said Instruments of Authorization in favor of FRANKBROOK LIBERIA, INC. from the citizens of Gbao Administrative District, a Petition and Forest Utilization Agreement are hereto attached and marked Exhibit "C" and "D" in bulk to form an integral part of this Permit.

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- but not including land in permanent settlements and land that has been in long term use for non-shifting cultivation of crops or raising livestock.
- Forest Product: any material or item derived from forest resources.
- Forest Management Contract: forestry contract which covers a land area of 50,000 - 400,000 hectares.
- k. Holder: a person who holds a valid forest resources license
- 1. Land Owner: a person who owns land by legal title
- m.Operator: a person harvesting or making commercial use of forest resources under a forest resources license, including a person working as an employee, contractor or other agent for a Holder.
- n. Pre-Felling Operations: legal requirements of the Holder before felling of logs. They include posting of required performance bond; preparation of initial annual operations plan and preparation of environmental impact assessment.
- Private Use Permit: a forest resource license issued by the Government to allow commercial use of the forest resources on private land.
- p. Public Use Permit: a forest resource license issued to extract forest resource from an area less than 1000 hectares.
- q. Reforestation: the establishment of a tree plantation in a previously forested area that has been affected by cutting, fire, or some other act of tree removal.
- r. Societe Generale de Surveillance (SGS): the institution/company responsible to manage the Chain of Custody System.
- s. Timber Sale Contract: a short term forest resources license issued by the Government for a period of three (3) years that allows a person to harvest timber from a specified tract of forest land.

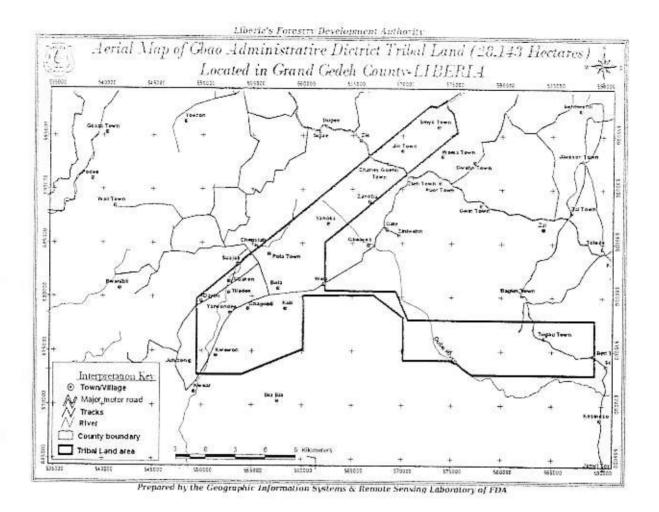
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Commencing at Dayblays Town (UTM 29N 541427-676821) a line runs N 67° W for 464 meters to a point (6° 07° 28.8" N - 8° 37° 46.0" W); thence a line runs Due-South for 7,000 meters to a point (6° 03' 41.5" N - 8° 37' 45.4" W); thence a line runs S 89° E for 4,500 meters to a point (6° 03' 39.2" N - 8° 35' 19.7" W) on the proposed Gbi protected area boundary line; thence a line runs N 68° E for 6,500 meters to a point (6° 04' 56.2" N - 8° 32' 03.9" W); thence a line runs N 2° E for 4,900 meters to a point (6° 07' 34.6" N - 8° 28' 59.4" W); thence a line runs N 89° E for 7,000 meters to a point (6° 07' 39.1" N - 8° 28' 11.7" W); thence a line runs S 54° E for 3,600 meters to a point (6° 06' 31.2" N - 8° 26' 36.1" W); thence a line runs S 1° E for 4,000 meters to a point (6° 04' 22.2" N - 8° 26' 33.8" W); thence a line runs Due-East for 4,800 meters to a point (6° 04' 22.2" N - 8° 23' 56.7" W) on the Dube river, thence a line runs along said river south-eastward for 2,820 meters to a point (6° 03' 39.2" N - 8° 22' 48.4" W); thence a line runs Due-East for 12,200 meters to a point (6° 03' 39.2" N - 8° 16' 12.3" W); thence a line runs Due North for 5,000 meters to a point (6° 06' 22.2" N - 8° 16' 12.3" W); thence a line runs Due-West for 18,600 meters to a point (6° 06' 24.4" N - 8° 26' 19.0" W); thence a line runs N 25° W for 2,900 meters to a point (6° 07' 48.2" N - 8° 26' 57.7" W); thence a line runs N 88° W for 7,100 meters to a point (6° 07' 55.0" N - 8° 30' 49.9" W); thence a line runs Due-North for 4,500 meters to a point (6° 10' 19.9" N - 8° 30' 49.9" W); thence a line runs N 52° E for 16,800 meters to a point (6° 15' 52.6" N - 8° 23' 39.6" W) on the proposed Zwedru protected area boundary line; thence a line runs N 12° W for 1,800 meters to a point (6° 16' 50.7" N - 8° 23' 52.6" W); thence a line runs N 47° W for 736 meters to a point (6° 17' 06.9" N - 8° 24' 10.2" W); thence a line runs N 8° W for 727 meters to a point (6° 17' 30.1" N - 8° 24' 13.5" W); thence a line runs S 58° W for 1,200 meters to a point (6° 17' 08.8" N - 8° 24' 47.9" W); thence a line runs N 73° W for 579 meters to a point (6° 17' 14.1" N - 8° 25' 05.8" W); thence a line runs S 52° W for 29,500 meters to the point of commencement (6° 07' 28.8" N - 8° 37' 46.0" W) embracing a total area of 28,143 hectares.



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3. Map of Ghao Forestland



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Contract Objective

- To harvest merchantable tree species from 28,143 hectares of tract of land otherwise called the Gbao Forest Land
- b. To engage in reforestation of the area involving indigenous species
- c. To create alternative uses of the tract of land after barvesting of trees
- d. To create employment for about 300 locals of the contract area and surrounding towns and villages.

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Contract Duration

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Service Services

The contract shall be for seventeen years (17) years.

Chain of Custody System

In keeping with Section 13.5 of the National Forestry Reform Law of 2006 and sections (1-35) of FDA Regulation 108-07, the Chain of Custody System will apply during the life and implementation of this contract. The system so established for the tracking of logs, timber and wood products from forest to processing and then to domestic or foreign market shall be managed by Societe Generale de Surveillance (SGS) using SGS/Helveta equipment and software as provided for by section 3.2 (3) of the Chain of Custody System Management Contract of 2007.

Land Rental & Stumpage Tax

Consistent with Section 5.7(b) of the National Forestry Reform Law of 2006, the Company shall not be charged to pay land rental tax. However, stumpage shall be paid consistent with Section 5.7 (c) of the National Forestry Reform Law and also consistent with Section 22(b) of Regulation 107-07.

Other Fees & GOL Taxes

All other fees and GOL Taxes levied on the project shall be consistent with the Revenue Law of Liberia and FDA Regulation.

9. Pre-felling Date

Before Company is certified for felling, all pre-felling operations including the following must be completed:

- a. Posting US\$50,000.00 performance bond
- b. Submission of initial annual operations plan
- Environmental Impact Assessment
- d. Social Agreement

10. Employment

Recruitment and employment by the Company shall be consistent with Labor Law of Liberia and International Labor Organization.

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Termination

This contract shall be terminated if the company upon notice of breach of any term of this Contract fails to remedy said breach within a period of (60) sixty days.

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Force Majeure

In the event of force majeure, which causes either party from meeting its obligations herein stated, the Contract shall be suspended as long as the force majeure continues.

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Duty of Care

The Authority shall ensure that the Company maintains environmental quality of the cutting area and comply with all other conditions consistent with the Liberia Code of Harvesting Practices to include:

- a. Water course protection
- b. Erosion prevention
- Prevention of pollution to rivers, streams and other waterways by disposal of wastes
- d. Prevention of fire disaster

The operation shall also be in conformity with international conventions to which Liberia is a party. They include: the Convention on Biodiversity, the International Tropical Timber Agreement, the United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change, the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species and the RAMSAR Convention on Wetland Management

14.

Governing Laws

In effecting this Contract between the Corporation and the Authority, the relevant Laws of Liberia including but not limited to the National Forestry Reform Law and regulation governing Chain of Custody will prevail.

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Binding Effect

This Agreement is binding on the parties, their successors-in-office as if they were physically present at execution of this instrument.

In witness whereof, we have affixed our signatures on the day and date first mentioned above.

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FOR THE AUTHORITY

Managing Director

FOR THE CITIZENS OF GBAG ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Witness

James G. Karto

Approved

Chairman 201

Dunee Chiefdom Zeieh Town, Gbao Administrative District Gbarzon Statutory District Grand Gedeh County Liberia

October 6, 2010

Hon. Moses D. Wogbeh Managing Director Forestry Development Authority Monrovia, Liberia

Dear Hon. Wogbeh:

We extend our compliments and best wishes to request for a private use permit for our Chiefdom Native Reserve located in Duneee Chiefdom, Gbao Administrative District, Grand Gedeh County, Liberia.

Attached, please find the Tribal Land Certificate.

Best regards.

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Exhibit "H"

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| | Issued the 10th Day of march | 20 2 | | |
| = 3 | Tribal Land Certificate | | | |
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| 1 | condition of the application made to us by The citizens g Sune | e Chiefdon | | |
| | complied with our requirement, have granted to said <u>The Cotypens of Aunee Chiefde</u> his/her/their heirs and assigned forever the said parcel of land described as follows | | | |
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| | is /are authourized to survey said parcel of land, procure all necessary documents and comply with all Laws and Statutes governing Public Land Grant(s) of theRepublic of Liberia. | | | |
| -40 | We affix hereto our signatures this 10th Day March | 20 <i>_0</i> 7 | | |
| | Signed: Elder Charlie Borkay | _Elder | | |
| | Elder James Ford | Elder | | |
| | Elder Jackson Zarway | Elder | | |
| | Witnesses: Hon. Elijah Ghayea | _Town Chief | | |
| | Hon. Harry Chayee 10 1510 MOZA | Clan Chief | | |
| | Hon. James M.S Kyne M. F. P. | aramount Chief | | |
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LIBERIAN CARTOGRAPHIC SERVICE

Exhibit "3"

April 27, 2011

The Management
FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (F.D.A.)
Paynesville city, Liberia

Dear Sir:

Compliments and best wishes.

Please find attached, a Tribal Land Certificate issued by the Tribal Authorities of Gbao Administrative District, Grand Gedeh County, Republic of Liberia in favor of the Citizens of Dunee Chiefdom thus granting 125,000 acres of Land for their exclusive use executed March 10, 2007.

We were contacted to interpret this certificate into the National Grid of Liberia so as to verify its actual terrestrial location. That in reality is to place the parcel on the National Base Map/s of Liberia.

This we manage to execute after field tours, executing GPS fixes and the utilization of other data bases available. The final outputs of our exercises are:

- 1. The parcel portrayed/overlayed on a Topographic Map of Liberia
- The UTM coordinates of all boundary lines intercepts.
- 3. The metes and bounds of the parcel according to the cadastre of Liberia

It is worthy to note that the parcel descriptions in the certificate are not exactly those descriptions of the cadastre. This is due to the selection criteria of the 125,000 acres of territory within Gbao Administrative District as we were finally instructed.

Therefore, we wish to confirm that the outputs mentioned supra expresses the will of the grantor and grantee of the 125,000 Acres of Land wholly lying and situated in Gbao Administrative District of Grand Gedeh County, Liberia.

We hope these will be worthy in fostering the development goals of our people in this era of national reconstruction and development.

Kind regards.

Truly Yours,

Maxwell F Cargo

DIRECTOR

LIBERIAN CARTOGRAPHIC SERVICE

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PART OF SUNEE CHIEF GBAO ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT GRAND GEDEH COUNTY, LIBERIA

METES AND BOUNDS

Commencing at the confluence of the Chen-Yan-Pan Creek to the Cavalia River in the Batteh-Jam area and running on magnetic bearing as follows:

South 60 degrees West 1,405 chain to a point in the vicinity of Gaye Town;

Thence running South 14 degrees West 360 chain to a point;

Thence running South 78 degrees East 1,355 chain to a point in the vicinity of Solo New Town;

Thence running South 15 degrees West 250 chain to a point in the vicinity of Solo Old Town;

Thence running North 77 degrees West 2,225 chain to a point in the vicinity of Jawodi;

Thence running North 15 degrees East 373 chain to a point in the vicinity of Debli Town;

Thence running North 67 degrees East 2,113 chain to a point at the Cavalla River in the vicinity of River View Town and

Thence charting southeastward along the meandering the said Cavalla River to the place of commencement and containing 125,195 acres of land and no more.

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AREA OF INTEREST

UTM COORDINATES

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Area: 125,195acres

Exhibit "C"

Dunce Chiefdom

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Gbarzon Statutory District, Grand Gedeh County
Republic of Liberia

Porition for the Utilization of Forest

We the Elders, Chiefs, Opinion Leaders, Youth and Women of Dunee Chiefdom, Gbao Administrative District, Gbarzon Statutory District, Grand Gedeh County, Republic of Liberia, had previously agreed to enter into agreement for the management and utilization of our forest with FRANKBROOK, LIB. INC., an organized and registered company existing in Liberia in accordance with the corporate Laws of the Republic;

We, the above groups are pleased to submit this instrument as an unanimous agreement of the cross-section of the people of Dance Chiefron that FRANKBROOK, LIB. INC., has been designated and willingly agreed with them to enter into the utilization and management of our forest located or situated in the above address with no molestation and intimidation;

Therefore, this instrument is hereby issued as a petition to the Government of Liberia through the Forestry Development Authority, an autonomous Agency charged with the responsibility of monitoring all forests and forest related matters to accept our indulgence with legitimacy for the management and forest utilization of our forest by FRAINKBROOK, LIB. INC.

Done and signed in Zleh Town on 26 Day of June 2010, Gbao Administrative Headquarters, Gbarzon Statutory District, Grand Gedeh County, Republic of Liberia.





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Oritha-S. Dennis Chairlady, 21th Town



David John RON Elden Pour Town



Charlie G Gaye Elder, Zles Town



Frances D. Dahn Chairlady, Dunee Chiefdom



Daniel B. Genegan Youra Président/Zieh Town



T. Vacanarat Mouwor Youth Representative



Amos Billah Town Chief Pouh Town



Deneral Town Chief,

John Gayes Town

Helen Jargee Helen Jargee Chairdady/ Gaye Town Elizabeth Chaye Clar Chodirlady Jaylayday Clan

Gabriel Tojallah General Town Chief Craye Town

Robert Beh Elder, Gbayea Town

Elizabeta Beh Chairlady, Gbayea Town

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Harry Chayee Clan Chief

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Joseph K. Kyne Wlormeor clan clan chief.

Hon. James M.s. Kyne Paramount chirl Dunee chiefdom

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Republic of Liberia Montserrado County Office of The Notary Public Monrovia, Liberia

NOTARY CERTIFICATE

Personally appeared before the ALETHA W? SINPSON A Duly Qualified Notary Public For The County of Montserrado, Republic of Liberia Aforesaid The Parties To The Attached

AGREMENT FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION OF COREST MADE AND SECTION 1870 MINE 1871 MADE AND SECTION 1870 MINE 1871 MADE AND SECTION OF MADE AUTHORITY OF DUNES CHIEF.

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did in my presence and in the presence of each other execute and sign their genuine signature on the said instrument to be the person(s) they represent and that the same was made in my presence and declared by each of them to be their voluntary acts and in their own handwriting.

Therefore, I, ALETHA W. SIMSON, Notary Public aforesaid have attached my Official Signature and Notary Seal to avail when and where necessary.

Given officially from under my hand and seal of

Office this........... Day of September

A.D. 2006a.....

Seal

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Agreement for the Management And Utilization of Forest

This agreement for the Management and Utilization of Forest made and entered this 19 day of September 2006 A.D. by and between the Tribal Authority of DUNEE Chiefdom, Gbao District, Gbarzon Statutory District, Grand Gedeh county, Republic of Liberia; represented by the Chiefs, Elders, Opinion leaders, Youth and Women Leaders; (herein after know and referred to as "Lessors") and FRANKBROOK Liberia Inc., a foreign based Timber Company duly Organization and registered under the corporate Law of The Republic of Liberia, represented by and through its chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mr. Frank Agyekum of the city of Monrovia, Montserrado county, Republic of Liberia (herein after referred to as "Lessee") hereby

WITNESSET

- That for and in consideration of the rents herein reserved and of the covenants and agreements herein to be paid, performed and kept, the Lessors hereby demise, lease and surrender unto the Lessee, Lessor' Forest Land.
- 2. It has been agreed that the Lease Agreement takes effect with Legal Authority in favor of the both parties for the Management and Utilization of the forest for the period of 30 years. This Attorney agreed upon can be extended only if the demands and agreements are favorable and comfortable to both parties.

This agreement takes effect 19 day of September A.D. 2006

- Lessee shall pay the Lessor for the amount of \$.33 (Thirty Three United States cent per acre annually.
- 4. It is unanimously agreed between both the Lessee and Lessors that the rental covering period stipulated shall be paid in manner and form hereunder, one year payments after three (3) Months or 90 days of operations in the forest, and thereafter all other process.



- 5. It is interest agreed that the Lessee Paying rental herein stipulated, shall enjoy quite and peaceful occupancy of the demised premises as without Molestation from any person or persons whomsoever
- 6. It is further agreed that the Lessee paying rental herein stipulated, shall pay for any each or food crops or any property (s)' belonging to the farmers or citizen that with be damaged by the Lessee.
- It is mutually agreed by the parties hereto that the Lessee will hire during its operation the resident of DUNEE Chiefdom, Gbao District, who are qualified and are willing to work for the Lessee.
- It is mutually agreed by the parties that the Lessee shall pay all government taxes that may be assessed on the demised premises without deducting same from the rental herein.
- 9. It is mutually agreed by the parties hereto that upon failure of the Lessee to pay the rent as stipulated, the Lessors shall have the right to cancel the Lease and take possession of the demised premises after 90 (ninety) days notice to the Lessee.
- 10.It is mutually agreed by the parties hereto that the Lessee shall construct Sawmill within the range of DUNEE Chiefdom, Gbao District within the period of one year after the commencement of the operations.
- 11.It is further agreed by both parties that the Lessee shall assist in the construction of roads and concrete bridges to major towns and villages in the concession

areas benefit for the inhabitants.

The Lessee shall also assist Development projects upon the request of the Lessors;

such as markets, school clinics, town halls etc.

12. It is hereby mutually agreed and understood by the parties hereto that the terms and conditions of this agreement shall extend to and be binding upon the parties hereto their heirs, Administrators, their successors and assigns Legal representatives during the full and

And utilization of the Lessor in writing; both parties shall with mutual agreement Amend this agreement.

- 14. It is mutually agreed and understood by both parties that a committee shall be set up By the Lessons to transact all financial activities with the lessee; the names of the
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| 7. signed: | 8. signed: Mr. Mosses Karyee |
| Mrs. Anna Scott | Chief Elder, Towah Town |
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15. Signed:_. Mr. Morris Dennis Vouth Leader, pouch town 16. Signed: Hon. Gabriel Tojallah Gen. Town chief, Gaye town

22. Signed: 21. Signed: MR David Paye John Wondee Opinion Leader Opinion Leader Gbayea Town Pouh Town 24. signed: 23. signed: Oldman Jackson Zarway Hon. Harry Cheavea V Clan Chief Chief Elder Goloway Clan Gave Town 25. signed: 26 signed: Mr David Gaye Henery D. Neewray Ghjefælder Gbäyea Town Chief Elder Gayee Town 27. signed: ALHONSO GAYE 28. signed: Mr Alphonso Gaye Hon . James M S Kyne Paramount Chief Youth Leader Dunee Chiefdom Gbayea Town Frank Adjei Agyekum Chief Executive officer FRANKBROOK(LIBERIA)INC. ATTESTED James G Karto Member Board of Directors FRANKBROOK (LIBERIA) INC.

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AGREEMENT FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION OF FOREST MADE AND ENTERED INTO THIS 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 2006 BY AND BETWEEN THE TRIBAL AUTHORITY OF DUNCE CHIEFDOM, GBAO DISTRICT, GRANZON STATUTORY DISTRICT, GRAND GEDER COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEFS, ELDERS, OPINION DEADERS, YOUTH AND WOMEN LEADERS, (HEREIWAFTER KNOWN AND RETERRED TO AS THE LESSORS) AND FRANKBROOK LIBERIA, INC., A FOREIGN BASED TIMBER COMPANY DULY ORGANIZED AND REGISTERED UNDER THE CORPORATE LAW OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, REPRESENTED BY AND THRU ITS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) MR. FRANK AGYEKUM OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA (HEREINAFTER KNOWN AND REFERRED TO AS THE LESSEE) HERE HY:-

THIS BE REGISTERED"

JUDGE, MONTHLY AND PROBATE COURT MONTSERRADO COUNTY, R.L.

PROBATED THIS 6 DAY OF 2 A.D. 2006.

CLERK, MONTHLY AND PROBATE COURT. MONTSERRADO COLON

REGISTRAR. MONTSERRADO

OFFERED FOR PROBATION BY



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Forestry Development Authority

P.O. Box 10-3010

Whein Town, Mt. Barclay Montserrado County Monrovia, Liberia

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Moses D. Wogbeh

Managing Director,

Forestry Development Authority

FROM:

John D. Kantor, Sr.

Technical Manager, R&D/FDÁ

& FI JOHH D. KANTOR
Torwon T. Yantay

Acting Manager-GIS & RS/FDA

Subject:

Validation Report of Tribal Land Property in Grand Gedeh County

DATE:

May 24, 2011

Background

Predicated on a communication under the signature of Mr. James M. S. Kyne, Paramount Chief-Dunee Chiefdom, Zleh Town, Gbao Administrative district, requesting the Forestry Development Authority to authenticate, verify and issue Private Use Permit (PUP) for a Tribal Land area situated and lying in Gbao Administrative District, Grand Gedeh County. A team of technicians from the FDA was mandated to visit Gbao District property for detail ground truthing, capturing of Tribal Land marks and sight seeing of the area for management's reaction.

In light of the above, two surveyors and three Global Positioning System (GPS) operators, traveled to the land under consideration to conduct a joint ground truthing exercise of the area along with the tribal people and company representative.

Field Patrol

During the period February 20-27, the joint team patrolled a significant portion of the area and gathered detail information relating to on going multiple uses of the area, types of vegetation, topology, and livelihood of communities dwellers within the parameters of the forest.



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<u>Findings</u>

Following an intensive tour by the technicians, we observed and authenticated that:

- Indeed the Tribal Land area overlapped with the Proposed Zwedru & Gbi protected areas located in Grand Gedeh County;
- The percentage of the Tribal Land area that overlapped with the Proposed Zwedru Protected Area is 12.47% or 4,928 hectares;
- The percentage of the Tribal Land area that overlapped with the Proposed Gbi Protected area is 17.29% or 6,828 hectares;
- Little portion of the area is suitable for harvesting (commercial logging);
- Topographically, the entire land mass of Tribal land area submitted to FDA is relatively flat with few major water ways:
- The area is truly located in Gbao Administrative District Grand Gedeh County;
- The size of the area requested by the citizens of Gbao district for harvesting is larger than the actual area plotted (area requested for 125,000 acres/50,587 hectares, actual area plotted is 97,589.6 acres/39,494 hectares);
- The commencement or starting point of the Gbao Tribal Land property is Northing 0575000 and Eastern 0703250 (Universal Traverse Mercator) on the surface of the earth.

Recommendation

In view of the verification and confirmation of these documents by the Forestry Development Authority, coupled with our ground truthing (February 20-27, 2011), we herein recommend that:

- That the deed be forwarded to the Ministry of Lands, Mines & Survey, especially the Minister of Lands, Mines and Energy for authentication. After authenticating the deed and found legitimate, the FDA should perform the below activities;
- The area of Gbao Administrative district which overlapped with the proposed Zwedru and Gbi protected area should be subtracted from the total area and a new Metes and Bounds be re-written on behalf of the people of Gbao Administrative District;
- As per National Forestry Reform Law (NFRL) of 2006 provision in chapter five section 5.6, we therefore recommend that FDA Management issue a <u>Private Use Permit</u> for Land totaling <u>125,000 acres/50,586 hectares</u> to the people of Gbao district in compliance with all relevant requirements of this section (particularly section 5.6 c (i, ii, iii) and d (i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi) respectively.

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