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Grantors: Joe Putz & Clara Putz

Grantee: Southern Iowa Rural Water Association

## WATER USER AGREEMENT AND EASEMENT

RE: [Legal description]: Parcel "A" located in the Northeast Quarter ( 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter ( 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township Seventy-four (74) North, Range Twenty-nine (29) West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Madison County, Iowa, containing 3.000 acres, as shown in Plat of Survey filed in Book 2, Page 638 on December 18, 1995, in the Office of the Recorder of Madison County, Iowa.

This Water User Agreement ("Agreement") is hereby entered into by and between the Southern Iowa Rural Water Association, State of Iowa ("SIRWA"), a rural water district organized under Iowa Code Chapter 357A, as amended, the undersigned participating member(s) of said rural water district, and his/her/or their successors, and assigns hereinafter called ("Member"). This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

WHEREAS, Member desires to purchase water from SIRWA and SIRWA desires to sell water to Member under the terms and conditions set forth herein. NOW, therefore, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, it is hereby understood, acknowledged and agreed by the parties hereto as follows:

- 1. Bylaws, Rules and Regulations Binding. Member hereby agrees to be bound by and comply with the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations of SIRWA, each as from time to time amended. Member further agrees to pay for water at such rates, time(s) and place(s) as determined by SIRWA and agrees to the imposition of such penalties for noncompliance as are set forth in said Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of SIRWA. Said obligations of Member shall apply to and run with the real estate described above for so long as Member continues to receive water service from SIRWA. A complete copy of the Bylaws and Rules & Regulations can be found at www.sirwa.org, or a copy will be sent to Member upon Member's request.
- 2. Furnishing of Water. Subject to the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations of SIRWA, as amended, SIRWA shall furnish such quantity of water as Member may desire in connection with Member's occupancy of the above-described premises so long as such usage is not damaging to the system or other users. In the event the total water supply shall be insufficient to meet all of the needs of the participating members of SIRWA or in the event there is a shortage of water, SIRWA may prorate the water available among its various members on such basis as is deemed equitable by the Board of Directors of SIRWA. SIRWA may also prescribe a schedule of hours covering use of water by particular members and require adherence thereto or prohibit the use of water for other purposes. Members using under 10,000 gallons a month are considered a residential user, over 10,000 gallons per month may be restricted if determined that unregulated flows are damaging the system or other water users' service. Additional information may be found in SIRWA's Rules and Regulations.
- 3. Easement The undersigned Member, as owner(s) of record of the real estate described above, for One Dollar (\$1.00), paid by SIRWA, and other good and valuable consideration received by Member, hereby grants, sells, transfers and conveys to SIRWA, its successors and assigns, an affirmative and perpetual easement in, to, and running with the real estate described above, together with a general and perpetual right of ingress and egress upon such real estate and upon any adjacent lands of Member, LIMITED AS **FOLLOWS:**
- a) This easement is solely for the general purposes of: Archeological studies (where required), the stringing of pipe, initial construction and thereafter to use operate, tap and install service lines, inspect, repair, maintain, replace, remove and improve water pipelines and any necessary appurtenances thereto over, across and through the real estate described above.

b) Once such water pipeline and any necessary appurtenances thereto are installed and operating, this easement (except the general rights of ingress and egress) shall be automatically reduced in scope to a width of fifty feet, the centerline of which shall be the water pipeline and any necessary appurtenances thereto.

c) This easement shall survive termination of Member's water service from SIRWA for any reason whatsoever and shall continue to run with the real estate described above unless and until a written instrument is filed modifying and/or terminating the easement granted by Member to SIRWA herein.

It is agreed that, during the period of initial construction, no crop damage will be paid by the Association. After completion of the project, if repair work on water line is needed, crop damages will be paid. The Association, its successors and assigns, hereby promise to maintain such water pipeline and any necessary appurtenances in good repair so that damage to adjacent real estate of Member, if any damage there be, will be kept to a minimum.

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto. No other agreements, understandings, restrictions, warranties or representations exist between the parties other than those provided or referenced herein.

Each of the undersigned has read and understands the above Water User Agreement and Easement. Member hereby requests the services of SIRWA as described herein and agrees to the terms set forth above.

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