MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JULY, 2000 MEETING OF THE MADISON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HELD AND CONDUCTED ON THE 18TH DAY OF JULY, 2000, AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE MCEDA CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE 1855 COURTHOUSE IN CANTON, MISSISSIPPI

A Special Meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority was duly called, held and conducted on the 18th day of July, 2000, at 11:00 a.m. in the 1855 Courthouse in the City of Canton, Mississippi.

Members Present:

John Wallace; Hite Wolcott; Thomas Johnson; Sammy Brown; Billy Thames; and Chip Estes. Also present were Jerry Acy; Bob Montgomery;

Tracey Huffman; and Veronica Peppers.

Chairman Wallace announced that the membership present constituted a quorum and declared the meeting duly convened.

Mr. Wallace informed the Board of the need to address approval of options to qualify for a state project.

After further discussion about options for the project, Mr. Johnson made a motion to authorize acquisition of options to secure land for an industrial prospect as proposed by the State of Mississippi. After a second from Mr. Estes, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to authorize the Executive Committee to act on behalf of the Board on implementation of the projects. After a second by Mr. Wolcott, the motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business to come before the special meeting, at 12:10 p.m. Chairman Wallace adjourned the meeting.

JOHN WALLACE, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THOMAS JOHNSON, SECRETARY-TREASURER