NOW, **THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants as herein contained, it is agreed by and between the Parties hereto that:

ARTICLE I SCOPE OF PROJECT

The **DEPARTMENT** authorizes the **LOCAL GOVERNMENT** to perform or cause to be performed, the **PROJECT** consisting of certain services related to maintaining an identified section(s) of the **DEPARTMENT'S** rights of way. This Agreement does not provide the **LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, by implication or otherwise, any right, title or interest in or to the **DEPARTMENT'S** right-of-way in general nor to the **PROJECT** area specifically, except the right to conduct the **PROJECT** work set forth in the **MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT (MA) WORK PLAN** (Exhibit A) in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

The maintenance duties and responsibilities of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT are defined set forth in Exhibit A, MA WORK PLAN, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein. The DEPARTMENT grants to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT the right to maintain that specific section(s) of DEPARTMENT right-of-way located in [LOWNDES COUNTY] County, as more particularly described in Exhibit A.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall abide by the Federal Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) standards, current edition, for temporary traffic control and the standards for all PROJECT activities. Equipment or materials utilized for the PROJECT must be moved on or across a traveled right of way in a manner as not to unduly interfere with traffic.

Should the LOCAL GOVERNMENT desire that these maintenance services be performed by a third party, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and the third party shall enter into an agreement, whereby the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall assume all responsibility for repayment to the third party for those services rendered as set forth in Exhibit A. The Agreement between the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and any third parties to this Agreement, shall meet all operational and administrative requirements, including the provisions of liability insurance, as set forth by the DEPARTMENT. All liability associated with the PROJECT shall be borne by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and any third parties, as set forth in Article VIII, herein.

In the event the LOCAL GOVERNMENT desires to perform any major maintenance activities, including significant landscaping, installation or significant repair of fencing/site furnishings/murals/signs/walls/lighting, or any other activities that may interfere with traffic or pedestrian flow within the right of way PROJECT limits, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT understands and agrees that it shall apply for and obtain a permit in accordance with the current edition of the DEPARMENT's