RECORDED FEBRUARY 25, 1992 BK 348 PG 228 NO 102600 RONALD L. DAILEY, COUNTY CLERK
QUIT CLAIM DEED OF EASEMENT

THIS QUIT CLAIM DEED OF EASEMENT made this 14th day of August, 1991, by and between SHERIDAN ENTERPRISES, INC. a California corporation, herein called "Sheridan" and RANGE TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., a Montana corporation, herein called "Range Telephone",

WITNESSETH:

For and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration, paid by Range Telephone to Sheridan, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and the covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, Sheridan, to the extent of its interest therein does hereby remise, release and quit claim unto Range Telephone, but subject to the limitations, conditions and stipulations hereinafter contained, a right of way easement for one buried telephone transmission line on and across that parcel of land described as:

TOWNSHIP 53 NORTH, RANGE 81 WEST, 6TH P.M.

Section 15: S₂ S₂ NE₄, S₂ SE₄ NW₄, N₂ NE₄ SW₄, NW₄ SW₄

(All in Sheridan County)

Section 21: N2NE4, SW4NE4, SE4SE4NW4, NE4SW4
(All in Johnson County)

(hereinafter the "parcels") situated in Sheridan and Johnson Conties (as noted), in the State of Wyoming, and as shown on the map marked "Exhibit A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, such easement being twenty (20) feet in width (such area being sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "Premises").

Together with the right to Range Telephone to construct, operate, maintain, inspect, protect, repair, and replace such buried telephone transmission line (collectively referred to herein as the "facilities") on and across the above described parcel; and the right of ingress and egress in and over existing or future roads on said parcel; however, Range Telephone shall be responsible for any damage to the land, any roads and other utilities located thereon caused by Range Telephone while engaged in the exercise of any right herein granted and Range Telephone shall repair and correct any damages to said lands, roads or utilities lines caused by Range Telephone.

Sheridan excepts and reserves for itself, its successors and assigns, to the extent of its interest under the Sublease, all coal, coal by-products and substances found in association with coal; situated, lying or being in, on or under the Premises, or that may hereafter be found thereon, and further excepts and reserves the subterranean strata and voids (now existing or hereafter created) underlying said Premises, and all such further rights and privileges in, under and through said subterranean strata and voids as may be necessary, desirable or convenient to Sheridan, in exploring, mining, drilling, fracturing, extracting, removing, cleaning, processing and preparing for market, storing, handling, transporting, or disposing of minerals mined or extracted from the subject parcel and of other minerals owned or leased by Sheridan. Sheridan further excepts and reserves the right, and the right to permit, lease or license others: (i) to mine and remove all of the coal from the aforesaid described land, including the right to employ any deep or surface mining techniques or otherwise to mine, by any method used in the past or now in practice, or any new methods which may be developed in the future; and (ii) to transport men, materials, equipment, coal and other minerals through, on, over, in or under the Premises; and (iii) to otherwise use the said property for any and all purposes which Sheridan shall have the right to do under the sublease and which do not interfere with the enjoyment of the rights and privileges

herein granted to Range Telephone.

It is understood and agreed between the parties that the granting of rights hereunder shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:

- (1) MINING ACTIVITIES: Range Telephone acknowledges that existing permits authorize coal mining operations on and underneath the premises and in the vicinity of the Premises and that Sheridan will be conducting mining operations in accordance with such permits and future permits and modifications thereto. It is provided, however, that all future mining operations on or underneath the Premises shall be conducted in such a manner as not to endanger the safety of, or interfere with the operation or maintenance of facilities, or any part thereof. If it appears to either party hereto that such mining operations may adversely affect the facilities, such party shall provide written notice thereof to the other party. Thereafter, Range Telephone shall promptly relocate the facilities or a part thereof, at its expense, to another location on the aforesaid parcel provided by Sheridan.
- (2) INDEMNIFICATION. Range Telephone agrees to indemnify and save harmless Sheridan, its contractors, subcontractors, subleases, employees, agents, successors and assigns against and from any and all claims, demands, liability, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorney fees) or damage to other persons, or their property, or the property of Sheridan, caused by the acts or omissions of Range Telephone, its contractors, subcontractors or any other entity or person acting directly or indirectly on its behalf in the use and occupancy of the Premises, or in the construction, maintenance and operation of the facilities upon the lands subject to this right of way and easement.
- (3) <u>PERMITS/WAIVERS</u>. Range Telephone agrees to execute any waivers, consents or other documents as may be deemed necessary by the applicable regulatory agency to facilitate the permitting and unhampered conduct of Sheridan's coal mining operations in the vicinity of or under the Premises or facilities.

Range Telephone shall conduct its construction and maintenance activities on the facilities as not to affect water quality in the vicinity of the area(s) Sheridan or its contractor(s) have under surface mining permits(s). Range Telephone shall be responsible for any adverse effects on water quality or quantity arising out of its construction or maintenance of the facilities that result in a notice of violation or citation by any regulatory agency against Sheridan or its contractor(s). Range Telephone shall cooperative with Sheridan in identifying the source of such water discharges to the regulatory agency and shall indemnify Sheridan for any fines, penalties, assessments and incurred costs and expenses as a result of Range Telephone's failure to comply with this paragraph.

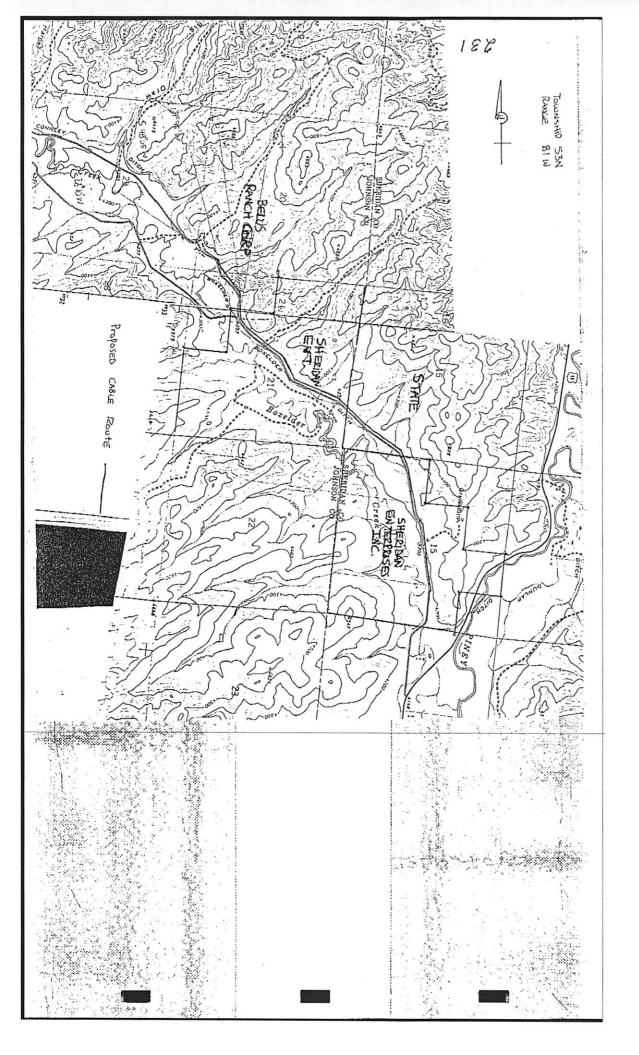
- (4) TERMINATION OF RIGHTS. In the event any substantial part, or parts, of the right-of-way hereby granted shall not be used for the purposes for which this grant is made, and if such nonuse shall continue for a period of one (1) year, all right, title and interest of Range Telephone in and to such part or parts of any said right of way so wholly not used for such one (1) year period, and all other rights granted and conferred with respect thereto, shall terminate.
- (5) OWNERSHIP OF FACILITIES. Sheridan agrees that all poles, wires and other facilities, including all telephone equipment, installed on the above described premises at Range Telephone's expense, shall remain the property of Range Telephone removable at its option.
 - (6) ENTIRE AGREEMENT: This instrument contains all

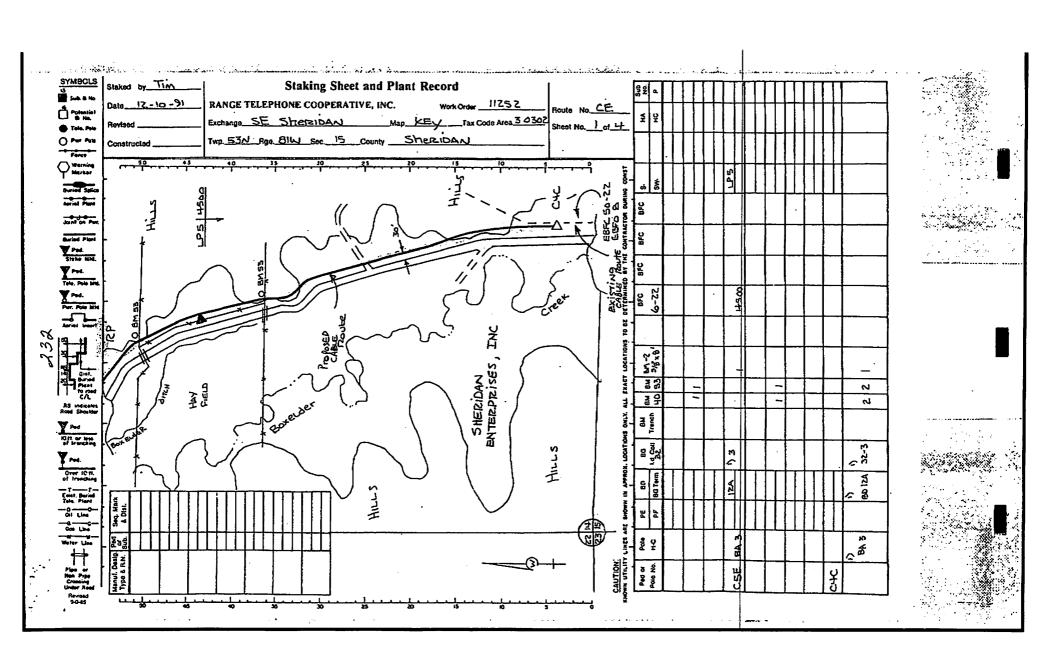
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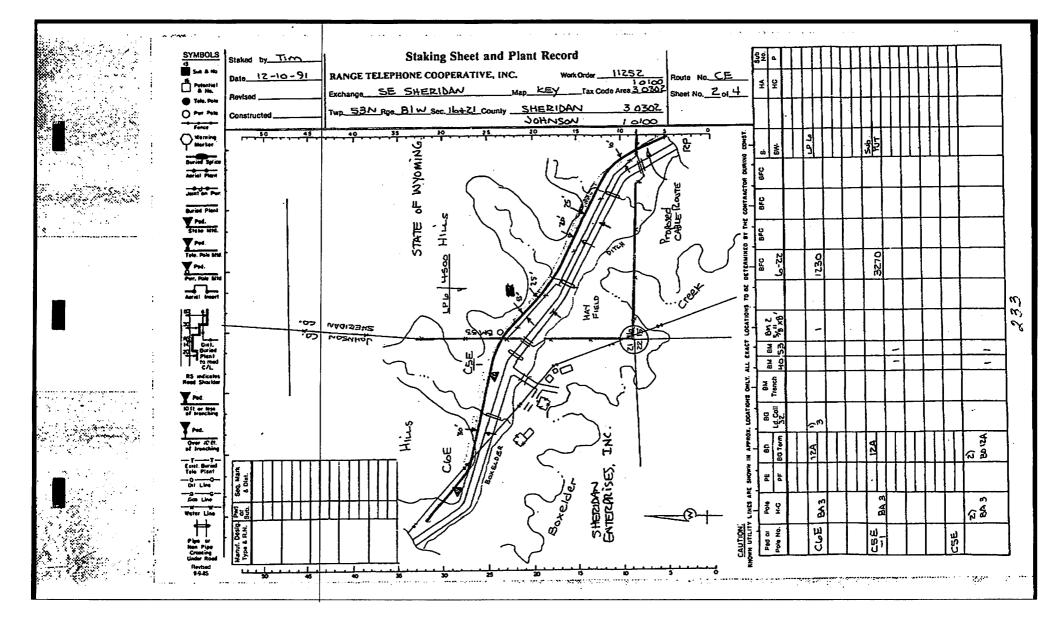
agreements expressed or implied between the parties hereto and shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon their successors and assigns. All of Sheridan's rights and obligations shall inure to and be binding upon its contractors and subleases coming upon the said parcel.

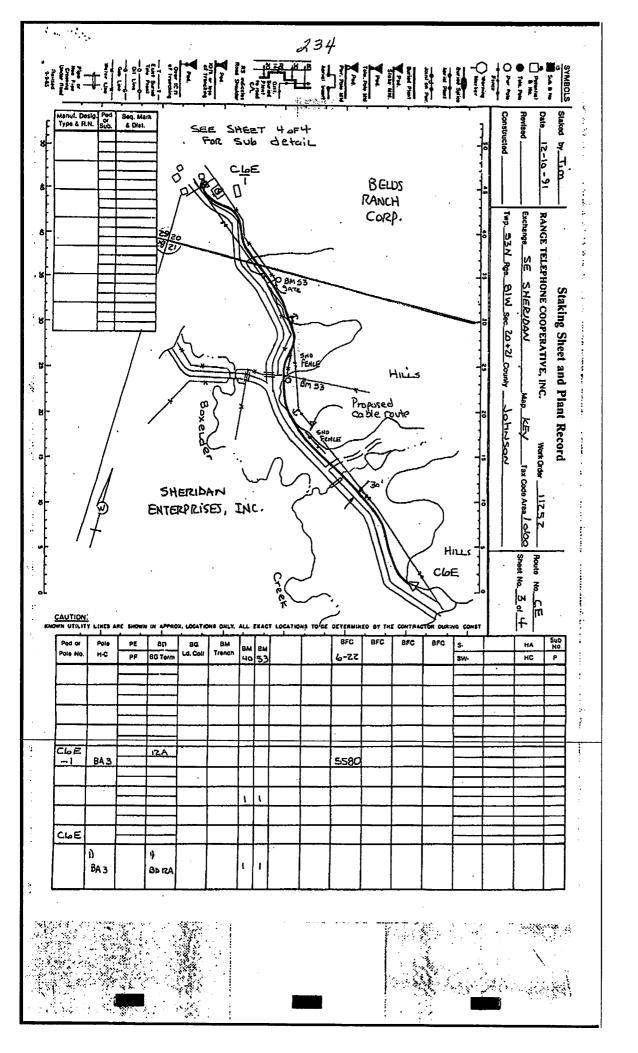
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the said Range Telephone, its successors and assigns, forever; subject, however, to all of the provisions and conditions hereinbefore contained.

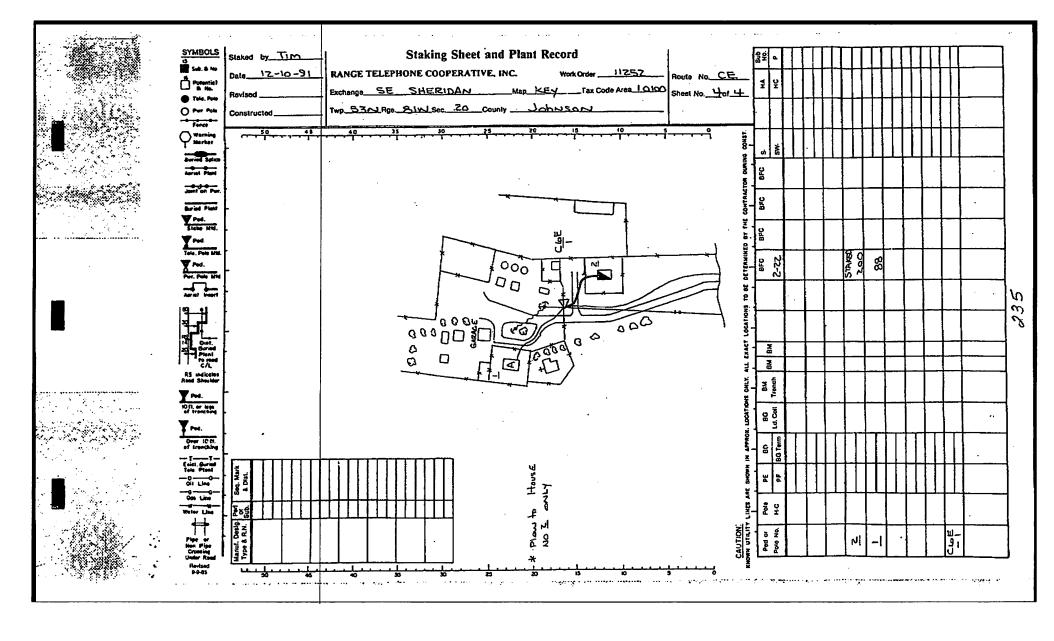
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their respective corporate names to be signed hereto all as of the day and year first hereinbefore written. SHERIDAN ENTERPRISES, INC. RANGE TELEPHONE GOOPERATIVE, INC (Title) STATE OF COUNTY OF hisa Greenel a Notary of said County, do certify that the series date the 135 day of Analysis of Sheriban Enterprises, INC., a California corporation, has this day in my said county, before me, acknowledged the said writing to be the act and deed of said corporation. MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 6/2/93 My commission expires (3 the day of Given under by hand this Notary Public STATE OF Inontana COUNTY OF Post a Notary Public of said County, do certify that _ U. 5. 5/101 who signed the writing hereto annexed, bearing date the COOPERATIVE, INC., a Montana corporation, has this day in my said county, before me, acknowledged the said writing to be the act and deed of said corporation. My commission expires 23 at Given under by hand this 24th Notary Public











ADDENDUM

Addendum to the Right-of-Way Easement from Sheridan Enterprises Inc., for a buried telecommunications cable, according to Wyoming State law.

Commencing at the South 1/16 marker of the NE, of Section 15, T53N, R81W of the Principal Meridian Wyoming, thence North 23°00' East a distance of 550 feet to the point of beginning of the buried telecommunications cable, thence South 76°10' West a distance of 1000 feet, thence South 77°00' West a distance of 1100 feet, thence South 60°00' West a distance of 400 feet, thence South 73°05' West a distance of 1350 feet, thence South 73°05' West a distance of 1350 feet, thence South 62°90' West a distance of 420 feet to exit the SW,NW,SW, of Section 15 onto adjacent Wyoming State Lands. Cable to be 'placed adjacent and parallel to Box Elder County Road No. 171.

Note: The information disclosed heron is provided without benefit of actual field survey and is derived from topographical map magnification.

