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SOUTH CAROLINA INVENTORY FORM FOR HISTORIC DISTRICTS AND
INDIVIDUAL PROPERTIES IN A MULTIPLE PROPERTY SUBMISSION

NAME OF MULTIPLE PROPERTY SUBMISSION: Edisto Island Multiple Resource
Area

PREFERRED NAME OF PROPERTY: Addition to Old House Plantation
Nomination: Commissary

COMMON NAME OF PROPERTY: Same

LOCATION: Approximately 1 1/2 miles east of the intersection of S. C.
Highway 174 and Oak Island Road, then right on unnumbered
dirt road 1/2 mile.

CLASSIFICATION: Building

OWNER: Henry W. Frampton
c/o Mary H. Frampton
Old House Plantation
Route 1, Box 514
Edisto Island, S. C. 29438

DESCRIPTION

The Commissary at Old House Plantation is a one-story, with loft, rectangular, weatherboard-clad building with a front-gable roof. The facade has a three-bay composition: ABA (A = a void for windows, and B = a single-leaf door). There is also a loft door centered in the gable. The building rests on a low, brick-pier foundation. The metal-panel roof has boxed cornices. The left (north) elevation has a single door near the back corner and one window void. A shed-roofed, partially enclosed ell is at the right (south) elevation.

SIGNIFICANCE

AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE: Commerce, Agriculture

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: S (FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANCE

This commissary, constructed ca. 1898 to serve three plantations, has primary significance as an integral part of Old House Plantation (built 1735-1760, listed in the National Register 5/14/71), a sea island cotton plantation on Edisto Island. Commercial significance, however, is also attributed to this building, which supplied the needs of Oak Island and Cassina Point Plantations (see individual inventory forms), as well as Old House. It is the last surviving commissary of the plantation commissaries on Edisto Island.

The commissary remains to the present a part of Old House Plantation (formerly called Four Chimneys), which was once the home of the Seabrook family and later the Whaley family. It is unknown whether one and/or both of these families operated the commissary.(1)

ACREAGE: 2.9 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The nominated property is shown as the black line on the accompanying Charleston County Tax Map #87-0-0, a portion of Parcel 19, with an approximated scale of 1 inch equalling 400 feet. It includes the historic building (commissary) and its immediate surroundings, and adjoins the boundaries of the nomination for the Old House Plantation, listed in 1971.

QUAD NAME: Edisto Island, S. C.

QUAD SCALE: 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCE POINT: 17/569420/3604820

NOTES

1) Interview with Mrs. Mary H. Frampton, Old House Plantation, Edisto Island, S.C.; Clara Childs Puckette, Edisto: A Sea Island Principality (Cleveland: Seaforth Publishing, 1978), p. 4.