In all cases where the area of a tract of land titled or patented exceeds the quantity called for in the title or patent, any person owning such survey, or a portion thereof, may file an application to purchase such excess by complying with the following requirements:

- Application properly completed and notarized, with the required filing fee of $25.00.

- Questionnaire properly executed and notarized, with the required filing fee of $25.00.

- Corrected field notes, plat, and report, prepared by a Licensed State Land Surveyor, or the County Surveyor of the county in which the land is situated, IF REQUIRED. If the application covering the purchase of excess is less than the entire original patented survey, then field notes must also be furnished on that portion of the survey covered by the application, (with the required filing fee of $25.00), together with the corrected field notes of the original survey.

- $500.00 Appraisal fee per tract.

- $100.00 Deed of Acquittance fee for each tract.

- $5.50 Registered Mail and Postage fee for each tract.

After the land is appraised, the School Land Board will set the price at which the excess land may be purchased.

Upon payment of the purchase price of the land, the General Land Office will execute a Deed of Acquittance to the original patentee or his assignee, with such reservation of minerals or with no mineral reservation, accordingly as may have been the case when the survey was titled or patented. Such transfer shall inure distributively to the benefit of the true and lawful owners of the survey in proportion to their holdings.

Please address your correspondence to:

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Surveying Division
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Austin, TX 78711-2873

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