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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: Florida Lessor - Emerald Inc.
(Name of corporation - must include suffix)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida", "Certificate of Existence", and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign corporation to transact business in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Jennifer J. Bakhuyzen, Esq.
(Name of Person)
Dykema Gossett, PLLC
(Firm/Company)
300 Ottawa Avenue, NW
(Address)
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503
(City/State and Zip code)

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For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Jennifer J. Bakhuyzen at (616) 776-7500
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

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Registration Section
Division of Corporations
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MAILING ADDRESS:
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P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

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Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

- \$70.00 Filing Fee
- \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status
- \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy
- \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certificate of Status & Certified Copy

APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. Florida Lessor - Emerald, Inc.
(Name of corporation; must include the word "INCORPORATED", "COMPANY", "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present.)

2. Maryland 3. 22-3872569
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. August 30, 2002 5. Perpetual
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. Upon qualification
(Date first transacted business in Florida. If corporation has not transacted business in Florida, insert "upon qualification.")
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155, F.S.)

7. 9690 Deereco Rd., Suite 100, Timonium, Maryland 21093
(Principal office address)

9690 Deereco Rd., Suite 100, Timonium, Maryland 21093
(Current mailing address)

8. To engage in any activity for which Maryland corporations may be organized.
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in state of Florida)

9. **Name and street address of Florida registered agent:** (P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box **NOT** acceptable)

Name: Corporation Service Company
Office Address: 1201 Hays Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301
(City) (Zip code)

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10. **Registered agent's acceptance:**
Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Jeanette LaVecchia, Auth. Rep
(Registered agent's signature)

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

12. Names and business addresses of officers and/or directors:

A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: C. Taylor Pickett

Address: 9690 Deereco Road, Suite 100, Timonium, Maryland 21093

Director: Daniel J. Booth

Address: 9690 Deereco Road, Suite 100, Timonium, Maryland 21093

B. OFFICERS

President: C. Taylor Pickett

Address: 9690 Deereco Road, Suite 100, Timonium, Maryland 21093

Vice President: _____

Address: _____

Secretary: Daniel J. Booth

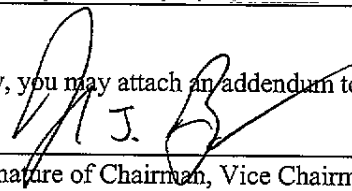
Address: 9690 Deereco Road, Suite 100, Timonium, Maryland 21093

Treasurer: Robert Stephenson

Address: 9690 Deereco Road, Suite 100, Timonium, Maryland 21093

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NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

13. 
(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. Daniel J. Booth, Secretary and Chief Operating Officer
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

Additional Directors

Robert Stephenson
9690 Deereco Road, Suite 100
Timonium, Maryland 21093

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STATE OF MARYLAND
Department of Assessments and Taxation

I, PAUL ANDERSON OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE DEPARTMENT, BY LAWS OF THE STATE, IS THE CUSTODIAN OF THE RECORDS OF THIS STATE RELATING TO THE FORFEITURE OR SUSPENSION OF CORPORATIONS, OR OF CORPORATIONS TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THIS STATE, AND THAT I AM THE PROPER OFFICER TO EXECUTE THIS CERTIFICATE.

I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT FLORIDA LESSOR - EMERALD, INC. IS A CORPORATION DULY INCORPORATED AND EXISTING UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF THE LAWS OF MARYLAND AND THE CORPORATION HAS FILED ALL ANNUAL REPORTS REQUIRED, HAS NO OUTSTANDING LATE FILING PENALTIES ON THOSE REPORTS, AND HAS A RESIDENT AGENT. THEREFORE, THE CORPORATION IS AT THE TIME OF THIS CERTIFICATE IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS DEPARTMENT AND DULY AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE ALL THE POWERS RECITED IN ITS CHARTER OR CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION, AND TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN MARYLAND.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY SIGNATURE AND AFFIXED THE SEAL OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION OF MARYLAND AT BALTIMORE ON THIS AUGUST 30, 2002.



Paul B. Anderson
Charter Division



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