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CUSTOMER: Donna H. Stogner, Secretary
Argo Financial Incorporated
139 Huey P. Long Avenue

Gretna, LA 70053

FOREIGN FILINGS

NAME: ARGO FINANCIAL INCORPORATED

XXXX QUALIFICATION (TYPE: CO)

PLEASE RETURN THE FOLLOWING AS PROOF OF FILING:

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CONTACT PERSON: Deborah Schroder

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APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

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

1. ARGO FINANCIAL INCORPORATED
(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. DELAWARE
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)
3. 72-1398414
(FEI number, if applicable)
4. 8-26-98
(Date of incorporation)
5. Perpetual
(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. Upon qualification
(Date first transacted business in Florida. (See sections 607.1501, 607.1502, and 817.155, F.S.))
7. 139 Huey P. Long Avenue
Gretna, LA 70053
(Current mailing address)
8. Purchase of retail installment contracts from licensed automobile dealers.
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in the 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
(Zip Code)

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.

Corporation Service Company
By: Mark A. Shelton
(Registered agent's signature)
Mark A. Shelton, Asst. Vice President

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 addresses of officers and/or directors: (Street address **ONLY**- P.O. Box **NOT** acceptable)

A. DIRECTORS (Street address only- P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

Chairman: SEE ATTACHED SHEET

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

B. OFFICERS (Street address only- P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

President: _____

Address: _____

Vice President: _____

Address: _____

Secretary: _____

Address: _____

Treasurer: _____

Address: _____

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

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

14. Donna H. Stogner, Secretary-Treasurer
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

ARGO FINANCIAL, INC.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Riley H. Stogner, Sr. President 139 Huey P. Long Avenue, Gretna, LA 70053

Riley H. Stogner, Jr. Vice-Pres. 139 Huey P. Long Avenue, Gretna, LA 70053

Ruth Marie Stogner Vice Pres. 407 Briarwood Drive, Suite 207D, Jackson, MS 39820

Donna H. Stogner Secty-Treas. 139 Huey P. Long Avenue, Gretna, LA 70053

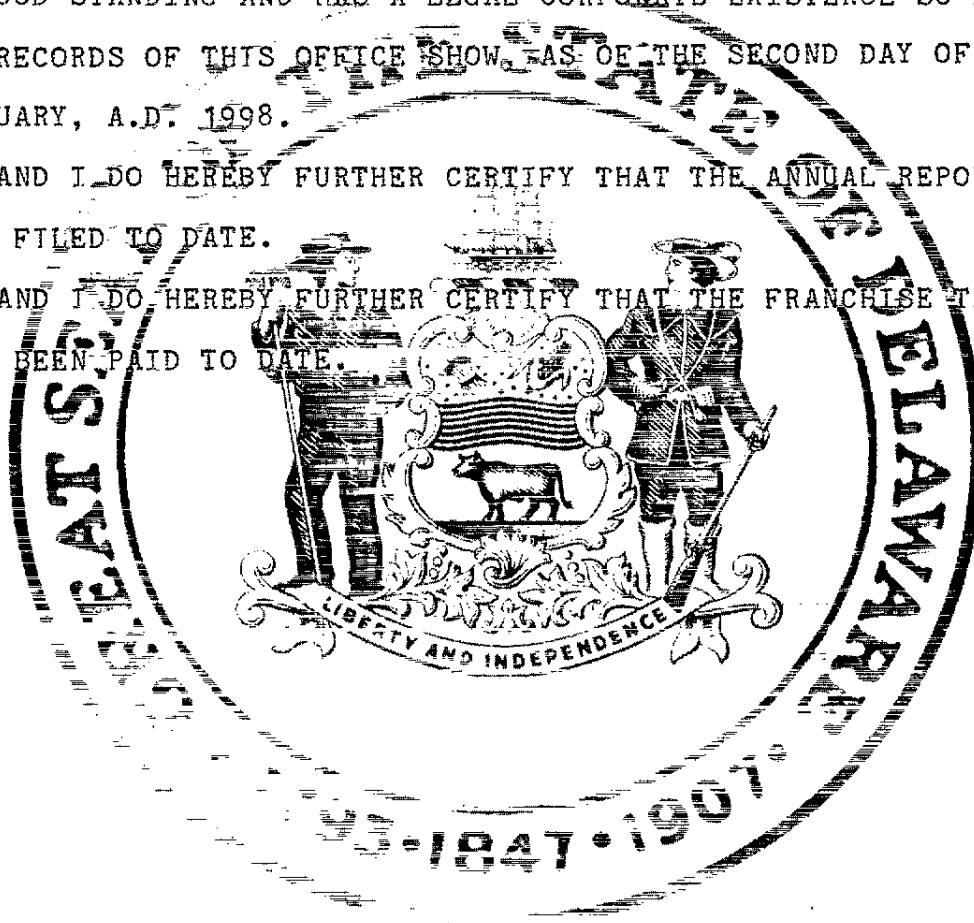
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Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "ARGO FINANCIAL INCORPORATED" IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE SECOND DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 1998.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED TO DATE.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.



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Edward J. Freel

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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