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ARTICLES OF MERGER
Merger Sheet

MERGING:

CAROLINA EAGLE DISTRIBUTING, INC., a North Carolina corporation qualified
in Florida, document number F96000005832

INTO

CAROLINA MERGER CORP. which changed its name to

CAROLINA EAGLE DISTRIBUTING, INC., a Florida corporation,
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File date: January 6, 1997

Corporate Specialist: Karen Gibson



THE UNITED STATES
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COMPANY

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CAROLINA EAGLE DISTRIBUTING,
INC.

INTO

CAROLINA MERGER CORP.

PLEASE RETURN THE FOLLOWING AS PROOF OF FILING:

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ARTICLES OF MERGER
of
CAROLINA EAGLE DISTRIBUTING, INC.,
a North Carolina Corporation
with and into
CAROLINA MERGER CORP.,
a Florida Corporation

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ARTICLES OF MERGER between Carolina Eagle Distributing, Inc. ("Eagle"), a North Carolina corporation, and Carolina Merger Corp. ("Carolina"), a Florida corporation.

Pursuant to Section 607.1107 of the Florida Business Corporation Act and Section 65-11-07 of the North Carolina General Corporation Act, Eagle and Carolina adopt the following Articles of Merger.

1. The Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization ("Plan of Merger") dated December 27, 1996 ("the Plan of Merger"), between Eagle and Carolina was approved and adopted by unanimous consent of the sole shareholder of Eagle on December 27, 1996, and was adopted by unanimous consent of the sole shareholder of Carolina on December 27, 1996.

2. Pursuant to the Plan of Merger, all issued and outstanding shares of Eagle stock will be acquired by means of merger of Eagle into Carolina, the surviving corporation ("the Merger").

3. The name and address of Carolina, the surviving corporation, shall be changed to Carolina Eagle Distributing, Inc., 2150 - 47th Street, Sarasota, Florida 34234.

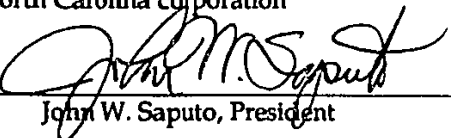
4. The name and address of the Statutory Agent for Carolina are J. Gregory Humphries, Esq., 201 E. Pine St., Suite 701, Orlando, FL 32801.

5. The Plan of Merger is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

6. The date and time of the effectiveness of the Merger shall be December 31, 1996 with the filing of these Articles of Merger with the Secretary of the State of Florida.

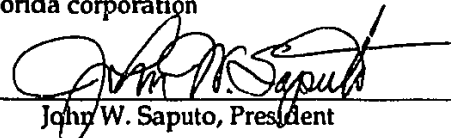
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands this 27th day of Dec., 1996.

Carolina Eagle Distributing, Inc.,
a North Carolina corporation

By: 

John W. Saputo, President

Carolina Merger Corp.,
a Florida corporation

By: 

John W. Saputo, President

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF SARASOTA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 27th day of Dec. 1996, by John W. Saputo, as President of Carolina Eagle Distributing, Inc., a North Carolina corporation, on behalf of the corporation, who is personally known to me (or who has produced _____ as identification) and who did (did not) take an oath.

BARBARA J. TROYER
Notary Public, State of Florida
My comm. expires Oct 20, 2000
No CC 594557

Barbara J. Troyer
Notary Public, State of Florida

Name printed, typed or stamped

Serial Number, if any

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF SARASOTA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 27th day of Dec. 1996, by John W. Saputo, as President of Carolina Merger Corp., a Florida corporation, on behalf of the corporation, who is personally known to me (or who has produced _____ as identification) and who did (did not) take an oath.

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Exhibit A

**AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER
AND
REORGANIZATION**

AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER AND REORGANIZATION, dated this 27th day of December, 1996, made by and between CAROLINA MERGER CORP., a corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida (hereinafter referred to as "Surviving Corporation"), and CAROLINA EAGLE DISTRIBUTING, INC., a corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina (hereinafter referred to as "Merged Corporation"). The Surviving Corporation and the Merged Corporation shall sometimes collectively be referred to as the "Corporation."

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of each of the parties hereto deem it advisable and generally to the welfare of said corporations and their respective stockholders and in order to effect the reorganization of Merged Corporation pursuant to Section 368 (a)(1)(A) and (F) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that Merged Corporation should be merged into Surviving Corporation, and that Surviving Corporation merge the Merged Corporation into itself, as authorized by the statutes of the State of Florida under and pursuant to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, the corporations, parties to this Agreement, by and between themselves and their respective Boards of Directors, in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements and provisions hereinafter contained, have agreed and do hereby agree each with the other that the Merged Corporation merge itself into Surviving Corporation and that Surviving Corporation shall merge the Merged Corporation into itself pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, and do hereby agree upon and prescribe the terms and conditions of said merger and the mode of carrying the same into effect as follows:

ARTICLE I

Merged Corporation shall be and is hereby merged into Surviving Corporation, and Surviving Corporation shall and it does hereby merge the Merged Corporation into itself. Surviving Corporation shall be the surviving corporation and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida, which state shall be its domicile. This merger is done for the purpose of reorganizing Merged Corporation by changing the state of incorporation from North Carolina to Florida, and is effected pursuant to Section 368(a)(1)(A) and (F) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

ARTICLE II

The Surviving Corporation and the Merged Corporation are 100% wholly-owned by the sole shareholder, John W. Saputo of Sarasota, Florida. Every one (1) share of the voting common capital stock of the Merged Corporation issued and outstanding on the Effective Date, as hereinafter defined, by virtue of the merger and without further action on the part of the holder, shall be converted into and become one validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable share of stock of the Surviving Corporation.

ARTICLE III

The terms and conditions of this merger and the mode of carrying it into effect are as follows:

(a) The name of the Surviving Corporation shall be changed to **CAROLINA EAGLE DISTRIBUTING, INC.**

(b) As of the Effective Date, the Certificate of Incorporation of Surviving Corporation shall serve as the Certificate of Incorporation of the Surviving Corporation, until altered or amended as therein provided and as provided by law.

(c) Until altered, amended or repealed as therein provided, the bylaws of the Surviving Corporation, as they shall exist on the effective date of this Agreement, shall be the bylaws of the Surviving Corporation.

(d) The first annual meeting of the members of the Surviving Corporation to be held after the date when this merger becomes effective shall be the annual meeting provided or to be provided by the bylaws thereof.

(e) The first regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Surviving Corporation to be held after the date when this merger becomes effective may be called or may convene in the manner provided in the bylaws of the Surviving Corporation and may be held at the time and place specified in the notice of meeting.

(f) The Merged Corporation shall pay all expenses of carrying this Agreement of Merger into effect and of accomplishing the merger.

(g) Neither of the corporations which are parties hereto shall issue or sell, or issue rights to subscribe to, any memberships or shares of its capital stock or shall declare any dividends prior to the Effective Date.

(h) Neither of the corporations which are parties hereto shall incur, prior to the Effective Date, any obligations not within the express contemplation of this Agreement, whether by contract or otherwise, except pursuant to existing agreements and arrangements and except in the ordinary course of business, nor dispose of any material portion of its business or property.

(i) Upon the Effective Date, the separate existence of the Merged Corporation shall cease and the Merged Corporation shall be merged into the Surviving Corporation. The Surviving Corporation, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, shall possess all the rights, privileges, powers and franchises of a public as well as of a private nature, and be subject to all the restrictions, disabilities and duties of each of the Corporations. All of the rights, privileges, powers and franchises of each of the corporations, and all property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts due to each of the corporations shall be vested in the

Surviving Corporation. All property, rights and privileges, powers and franchises, and all and every other interest, shall be thereafter as effectually the property of the Surviving Corporation as they were of the respective constituent corporations, and the title to any real estate, whether by deed or otherwise, vested in either of the corporations shall not revert or be in any way impaired by reason of this merger, provided that all right of creditors and all liens upon the property of either of the corporations shall be preserved unimpaired, and all debts, liabilities and duties of the Merged Corporation shall thenceforth attach to the Surviving Corporation and may be enforced against it to the same extent as if said debts, liabilities and duties had been incurred or contracted by it.

(j) If at any time the Surviving Corporation shall consider or be advised that any further assignments or assurances in law or any things are necessary or desirable to vest in the corporations, according to the terms hereof, the title to any property or rights of the Merged Corporation, the proper officers and directors of the Merged Corporation shall and will execute and make all such proper assignments and assurances and do all things necessary and proper to vest title in such property or rights in the Surviving Corporation, and otherwise to carry out the purposes of this Agreement of Merger.

ARTICLE IV

The Surviving Corporation shall have the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained in this Agreement which may be contained in the Articles of Incorporation of a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida in the manner now and hereafter prescribed by said laws, and all rights conferred upon members herein are granted subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE V

(a) Upon the approval of this Agreement and the merger contemplated herein by the members of the constituent corporations in accordance with the laws of the State of North

Carolina and State of Florida, an original or a copy of this Agreement shall be filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida.

(b) Upon the approval of this Agreement by the Secretary of State of the State of Florida and the payment of all fees and taxes required by the State of Florida, this merger shall be effective as of December 31, 1996, upon the filing of the Articles of Merger ("Effective Date").
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ARTICLE VI

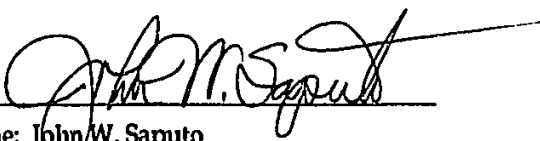
In order to facilitate the filing and recording of this Agreement, the same may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which as executed shall be deemed to be an original; and such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Agreement, pursuant to authority duly given by their respective Boards of Directors, have caused this Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer of each party.

CAROLINA EAGLE DISTRIBUTING, INC.,
a North Carolina corporation

By: 
Name: John W. Saputo
Title: President

CAROLINA MERGER CORP.,
a Florida corporation

By: 
Name: John W. Saputo
Title: President