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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

TO: Qualification/Tax Lien Section
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SUBJECT: E.W. Blanch GP, 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:

Lola Richert
(Name of Person)

E.W. Blanch GP, Inc.
(Firm/Company)

500 North Akard, Suite 4500
(Address)

Dallas, Texas 75087
(City/State/Zip)

Should you need to call someone concerning this matter, please call:

Lola Richert at (214) 756-7054
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

STREET ADDRESS:

Qualification/Tax Lien Section
Division of Corporations
409 E. Gaines St.
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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.

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1. E.W. Blanch GP, 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. Delaware

(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)

3. 75-2846783

(FEI number, if applicable)

4. October 26, 1999

(Date of incorporation)

5. perpetual

(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. January 1, 2000

(Date first transacted business in Florida.) (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155, F.S.)

7. 500 North Akard, Suite 4500

Dallas, Texas 75201

(Current mailing address)

8. General partner for Blanch, L.P. which is conducting business in Florida

(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: CT Corporation System

Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road

Plantation

Florida, 33324

(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.

Connie Bryan

(Registered agent's signature)

Connie Bryan, Special Asst. Secretary

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 Attachment

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

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

President: ~~Not yet available~~ SEE ATTACHED

Address: _____

Vice President: _____

Address: _____

Secretary: _____

Address: _____

Treasurer: _____

Address: _____

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

13. E. W. Blanch & P, Inc. James Caulfield X
(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)
James Caulfield, Vice President

14. _____
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

**E. W. Blanch, GP, Inc.
12. A & B**

Directors, Officers Report

E. W. BLANCH GP, INC.

DIRECTORS

Edgar W. Blanch, Jr.	415 Highway 46 West Boerne, TX 78006
Rodman R. Fox	500 N. Akard, Suite 4500 Dallas, Tx 75201
Chris L. Walker	3600 West 80 th Minneapolis, MN 55431
Frank S. Wilkinson, Jr.	3600 West 80 th Minneapolis, MN 55431
Kaj Ahlmann	17945 Rosewood Stillwell, KS 66085

OFFICERS

Chris Lee Walker	President
James Caulfield	Vice President
Danial P. O'Keefe	Secretary
Mace McCain	Treasurer
Jeanette Fitzgerald	Asst. Secretary

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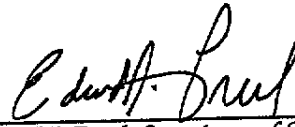
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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF
DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "E. W. BLANCH GP, INC." IS DUL
INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN
GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE
RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF
JANUARY, A.D. 2000.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES
HAVE NOT BEEN ASSESSED TO DATE.

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Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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