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ORDER NO. : 791853-005

CUSTOMER NO: 7214132

CUSTOMER: Ms. Sheri L. Markham
The Ryland Group, Inc.
Suite 400
24025 Park Sorrento
Calabasas, CA 91302

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FOREIGN FILINGS

NAME: RYLAND VENTURES II, INC.

(Handwritten signature)

XXXX QUALIFICATION (TYPE: CO)

PLEASE RETURN THE FOLLOWING AS PROOF OF FILING:

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CONTACT PERSON: Janna Wilson

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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.*

CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT
JANUARY 10 PM 5:00
CORPORATIONS

1. RYLAND VENTURES II, 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. 52-2243024
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. May 18, 2000 5. Perpetual
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. July 1, 2000
(Date first transacted business in Florida.) (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155, F.S.)
7. 24025 Park Sorrento, Suite 400, Calabasas, CA 91302
Attn: Sheri L. Markham
(Current mailing address)
8. _____
(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
(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: Deborah D. Skipper **Deborah D. Skipper**
(Registered agent's signature) **as its agent**

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 officers/directors rider

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

00 AUG 10 PM 5:00
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
STATE OF NEW YORK

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

President: See attached officers/directors rider

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

14. Sheri L. Markham, Assistant Secretary
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

**OFFICERS & DIRECTORS
OF
RYLAND VENTURES II, INC.,
a Maryland corporation**

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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
00 AUG 10 PM 5:00

John M. Garrity
2536 Countryside Boulevard
Suite 250
Clearwater, FL 33763

Director

President

William G. Wright
26750 US Highway 19 N., Suite 301
Clearwater, FL 33761

Vice President

Marshall Gray
26750 US Highway 19 N., Suite 301
Clearwater, FL 33761

Assistant Vice President

David Norton
26750 US Highway 19 N., Suite 301
Clearwater, FL 33761

Assistant Vice President

Timothy J. Geckle
24025 Park Sorrento, Suite 400
Calabasas, CA 91302

Director

Secretary

Sheri L. Markham
24025 Park Sorrento, Suite 400
Calabasas, CA 91302

Assistant Secretary

M. Melinda Thompson
10400 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 200
Columbia, MD 21044

Assistant Secretary

Cathey S. Lowe
24025 Park Sorrento, Suite 400
Calabasas, CA 91302

Treasurer

René L. Mentch
24025 Park Sorrento, Suite 400
Calabasas, CA 91302

Assistant Treasurer

STATE OF MARYLAND
Department of Assessments and Taxation

00 AUG 10 PM 5:00
SECRETARY OF STATE
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

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 RYLAND VENTURES II, 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 09, 2000.



Paul B. Anderson
Charter Division

