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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: Rochester Imports, 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:

Kenneth Rochester 600006064386 7
(Name of Person) 06/27/02 01043-002
Rochester Imports, Inc. *****70.00 *****70.00
(Firm/Company)
PO Box 1380 Adm-950
(Address) 600006064386 7
Seneca, SC 29679-1380 -07/22/02-01003-010
(City/State and Zip code) *****950.00 *****950.00

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Kenneth Rochester at (864) 882-5642
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

STREET ADDRESS:
Registration Section
Division of Corporations
409 E. Gaines St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399

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

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

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Secretary of State

June 28, 2002

KENNETH ROCHESTER
ROCHESTER IMPORTS, INC.
P.O. BOX 1380
SENECA, SC 29679-1380

SUBJECT: ROCHESTER IMPORTS, INC.
Ref. Number: W02000018937

We have received your document for ROCHESTER IMPORTS, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the document has not been filed and is being retained in this office for the following:

Please note that we have also RETAINED your \$70.00 payment.

We cannot accept your Articles of Incorporation. What you must please obtain from the South Carolina Secretary of State is a CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE dated within the past 90 days.

ALSO, your application indicates that ROCHESTER IMPORTS, INC. has been transacting business in Florida since October 15, 1989. If this is so then penalty fees are owed.

Pursuant to section 607.1502(4), 617.1502(4) or 608.502(4), Florida Statutes, this office collects a civil penalty of \$1000 for each year this entity transacted business or conducted its affairs in Florida prior to qualification and the appropriate annual report/uniform business report fees that would have been due this office had the entity qualified the year it began operations in this state. The amount due this office to cover both annual report/uniform business report and penalty fees is \$3,450.00.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6914.

Buck Kohr
Corporate Specialist

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Kenneth Rochester
Rochester Imports, Inc.
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Seneca, SC 29679-1380

Florida Department of State
Attn: Brenda Tadlock, Sec. Admin.
Division of Corporations
PO Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Rochester Imports, Inc.
Ref. Number W02000018937

Dear Ms. Tadlock,

Our client, Kenneth Rochester, received a letter from your office concerning an application for a foreign Corporation. Rochester Imports mailed the application along with the \$70 fee due. However, they did not mail the Certificate of Existence. We are sorry for the confusion. Our office was waiting to receive the application back from them so we could mail the needed information to you. However, they mistakenly mailed the application directly to your office. Our office became aware that an application needed to be filed while trying to clear up a problem with the sales tax division in Florida. We originally needed the Certificate of Existence for their department, but after talking back with them last month the problem had been resolved and we were not required to send the form. However, in our conversation there was reference made to a foreign corporation which then sparked the questions concerning that application and whether or not that had ever been filed by Rochester Imports. Our office downloaded the form and directions off the internet and that is what led to you receiving the application.

Rochester Imports has been incorporated since 1989 but has only been transacting business in Florida since the last quarter of 1999. They were unaware that an application needed to be filed with your division in order to transact business in the state of Florida. They had paid all the other necessary fees and dues and thought that was all that was required by your state. We please ask that you abate the \$3450.00 penalty assessed by your office. Rochester

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Imports did not intentionally disregard the requirements set forth by your state. They are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused and sincerely appreciate your consideration in the matter. If you need any additional information please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Denise Woodard

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Kirk Messick, CPA PA

cc: Kenneth Rochester

Enclosures

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TO: Gerry York, General Counsel's Office
FROM: Brenda L. Tadlock, Registration Section
DATE: July 8, 2002
SUBJECT: ROCHESTER IMPORTS, INC.
REFERENCE: W02000018937

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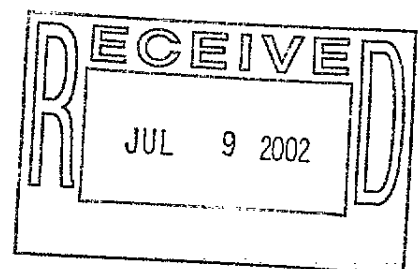
The attached documents and correspondence are being forwarded to you for appropriate handling.

Please note the attached documents appear to meet the filing requirements stipulated in Chapter 607, Florida Statutes, with the exception of any penalty or annual report fees that may be due this office.

Should you have any further questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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Attachments



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FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL

TO FAX NUMBER: 864-882-7293

Please deliver the following pages to:

NAME: Kenneth Rochester

COMPANY: Rochester Imports, Inc.

CITY/STATE: Seneca, South Carolina

SENDER: Gerard T. York, Esq.,
Assistant General Counsel

DATE/TIME: 07/11/02 12:44 PM

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FROM FAX: 850/245-6127

COMMENTS: This communication is in response to our telephone conversation concerning annual report fees and statutory penalties which would be assessed against Rochester Imports, Inc., under section 607.1502(4), Florida Statutes.

We would offer to settle the issue of annual report fees and foreign non-qualified penalties from Rochester Imports, Inc. for the sum of \$950.00, reflecting annual report fees from 1999 of \$450.00 and statutory penalties assessed in a lump sum of \$500.00. This offer remains in effect until August 30, 2002.

\$ 950.00

Upon receipt of a check in that amount payable to the Department of State, Division of Corporations, I will instruct the Division of Corporations to issue Rochester Imports, Inc. a Certificate of Authority to transact business in Florida. Please mail the check to this attorney at: Office of General Counsel, PL-02, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 245-6514 should you have any questions.

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TO: File

FROM: Gerard York, Assistant General Counsel

DATE: July 17, 2002

RE: Rochester Imports, Inc.

Based on my review of the file and the payments received from the corporation, it is my recommendation that this file be closed. Corporation has paid outstanding report fees from 1999 of \$450.00 and foreign non-qualified penalties of \$500.00 in a lump sum to avoid litigation. Corporation wishes to be qualified to do business in the State of Florida. Accordingly, it is recommended corporation be issued a certificate of authority.

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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. Rochester Imports, 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. South Carolina 3. 57-0706179
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. 08-28-1980 5. "Perpetual"
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. October 15, 1999
(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. 12087 Wells Highway Seneca, SC 29678
(Principal office address)
Po Box 1380 Seneca, SC 29679
(Current mailing address)
8. Wholesale Sales
(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: WYNN KENYON P.O. Box 328 EAST PALATKA FL.
Office Address: 2000 Reid Street maile 32131
(Palatka Fl.), Florida FLA
(City) (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.

Wynn Kenyon
(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:

Kenneth Rochester

Address:

P.O. Box 1380

Seneca, S.C. 29679

Vice Chairman:

Annette Rochester

Address:

P.O. Box 1380

Seneca, S.C. 29679

Director:

Address:

Director:

Address:

B. OFFICERS

President:

Kenneth Rochester

Address:

PO Box 1380

Seneca, SC 29679-1380

Vice President:

Annette Rochester

Address:

PO Box 1380

Seneca, SC 29679-1380

Secretary:

Address:

Treasurer:

Address:

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

13.

Kenneth Rochester

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

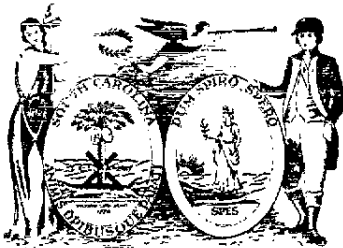
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Kenneth Rochester

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

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Office of Secretary of State Jim Miles **Certificate of Existence**

I, Jim Miles, Secretary of State of South Carolina Hereby certify that:

ROCHESTER IMPORTS, INC.,

a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina on **August 28th, 1980**, and having a perpetual duration unless otherwise indicated below, has as of the date hereof filed all reports due this office, paid all fees, taxes and penalties owed to the Secretary of State, that the Secretary of State has not mailed notice to the Corporation that it is subject to being dissolved by administrative action pursuant to Section 33-14-210 of the South Carolina Code, and that the corporation has not filed articles of dissolution as of the date hereof.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of
the State of South Carolina this 5th day of
April, 2002.

A handwritten signature of Jim Miles in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

Jim Miles, Secretary of State