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May 19, 2003

Marsha Thomas
Document Specialist
Florida Department of State
Division of Corporations
Uniform Business Report Filings
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6327

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RE:

Next Day Gourmet, Inc. (FEIN: 52-2190438)
Application for Authorization for Foreign Corporation
To Transact Business in Florida

Dear Ms. Thomas:

This is in response to your letter dated April 29, 2003 rejecting the above referenced filing for NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC. (FEIN 52-21090438).

According to your letter, this application was rejected because there is a corporation that already exits with this name. Please be advised that the company named **NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC.** that you are referring to in your letter and the company for which we are submitting the <u>Authorization to Transact Business</u>, is the **same company** and is a subsidiary of U.S. Foodservice, Inc.

On January 27, 2003, we submitted an Application by Foreign Corporation for Withdrawal for NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC. (FEIN: 52-2190438), which was filed on January 30, 2003 (copy enclosed). Subsequently, we discovered that the State of Florida requires that the general partner of a corporation must also be qualified to transact business in Florida. NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC. (FEIN: 52-2190438) is the General Partner of NEXT DAY GOURMET, L.P. (FEIN: 52-2275400). We then submitted the Application for Authorization to Transact Business for NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC. (FEIN: 52-2190438) to re-instate this corporation in Florida, but received your rejection letter.

Marsha Thomas May 19, 2003 Page 2

I trust this explanation will clear up any confusion regarding the ownership of **NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC.** (FEIN: 52-21090438). Please proceed to process the enclosed <u>Application for Authorization to Transact Business</u> for this company.

Thank you for your assistance in resolving this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Tama Malinski, U.S. Foodservice paralegal, at (410) 309-4415.

Very truly yours,

David B. Eberhardt

SVP and Deputy General Counsel



#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Glenda E. Hood Secretary of State

April 29, 2003

TAMA K MALINSKI 9755 PATUXENT WOODS DRIVE COLUMBIA, MD 21046

SUBJECT: NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC.

Ref. Number: W03000012100

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We have received your document for NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name designated in your document is not available. Therefore, the corporation must adopt an alternate name for use in the state of Florida. To adopt an alternate name the corporation must submit a corporate resolution by the board of directors adopting the alternate name for use in the state of Florida. Please note the corporate resolution must be signed by the chairman, vice chairman, or an officer of the corporation. The alternate name must contain a corporate suffix. Such suffixes include: Corporation, Corp., Incorporated, Inc., Company, and CO.

Please RETURN ALL DOCUMENTATION to the ATTENTION of the DOCUMENT SPECIALIST indicated.

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 \$2300.00.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6097.

Marsha Thomas Document Specialist

Division of Corporations - P.O. BOX 6327 - Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Letter Number: 703A00025868



Tama K. Malinski Paralegal Tel 410.309.4415 Fax 410.309.6465 Email: Tama.Malinski@usfood.com

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

April 22, 2003

Florida Department of State Division of Corporations Uniform Business Report Filings P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6327

RE:

Next Day Gourmet, Inc.

Application for Authorization for Foreign Corporation

To Transact Business in Florida

Dear Secretary of State:

Enclosed please find an Application for Authorization for Foreign Corporation To Transact Business in Florida for the above referenced company, along with a Certificate of Good Standing from its state of incorporation. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$78.75 for the filing fee and a Certificate of Status and a self-addressed, postage pre-paid envelope.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Tama K. Malinski Paralegal

Enclosures

### 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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#### 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.

David Capozzolo, Authorized Representative (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:

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#### **NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC.**

(a Delaware Corporation)

9755 Patuxent Woods Drive Columbia, Maryland 21046

#### **OFFICERS:**

JAMES L. MILLER - Chief Executive Officer, President, Assistant Secretary &

Assistant Treasurer

DAVID M. ABRAMSON - Executive Vice President & Secretary

MICHAEL J. RESNICK - Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

JAMES R. SUTTON - Executive Vice President

DAVID WHIPPLE - Executive Vice President

ROBERT W. GILLISON - Treasurer

JOHN BALDI - Vice President

DAVID ICKES - Vice President

RICK BARNHARDT - Vice President

ROBERT COGSWELL - Vice President

MARK ROBERTSON - Vice President

GREG SCHAFFNER - Vice President

GARY ROSE - Vice President

STUART SCHUETTE - Vice President

DALE BROWN - Vice President

GREG HICKMAN - Vice President

BOB STOUT - Vice President

SKIP WHITE - Vice President

RON WHITE - Vice President

DAVID B. EBERHARDT - Vice President & Assistant Secretary

FAITH E. HARRISON - Assistant Secretary

JOSEPH DETZLER - Assistant Treasurer

BRIAN SAGE - Assistant Treasurer

HUGH REILLY - Assistant Treasurer

STEVE TUOMIE - Assistant Treasurer

GARY BRONS - Assistant Treasurer

DOUG TAYLOR - Assistant Treasurer

#### **DIRECTORS:**

JAMES L. MILLER DAVID M. ABRAMSON

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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC." 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 TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF MARCH, A.D. 2003.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "NEXT DAY GOURMET, INC." WAS INCORPORATED ON THE TENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 1999.

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.



Warriet Smith Windson, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 2329837

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