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**TO:** New Filing Section  
Division of Corporations

**SUBJECT:** V.B. Hook Vacuum Cooling Company, 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:

Ms. Shonnie Thomas

(Name of Person)

V.B. Hook Vacuum Cooling Company Inc

(Firm/Company)

P.O. Box 13503

(Address)

Columbia SC 29201-0503

(City/State and Zip code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Shonnie Thomas

(Name of Person)

at ( 803 ) 799-0504

(Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

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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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**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.

1. V. B. Hook Vacuum Cooling Company Inc  
(Enter name of corporation; must include "INCORPORATED," "COMPANY," "CORPORATION,"  
"Inc.," "Co.," "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Corp.")

(If name unavailable in Florida, enter alternate corporate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida)

2. South Carolina 3. 57-0372987  
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. 9-28-1957 5. perpetual  
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. 01-01-2003  
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration)  
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501 & 607.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability)

7. State Farmers market 1001 Bluff Rd Columbia SC 29201  
(Principal office address)  
P.O. Box 13503 Columbia SC 29201-0503  
(Current mailing address)

8. Vacuum Cooling Produce  
(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 NOT acceptable)

Name: CHARLES E. GUNTER

Office Address: 15120 N.E. 85<sup>TH</sup> LANE  
SILVER SPRINGS, Florida 34488  
(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.

Charles E. Gunter

(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.

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12. Names and business addresses of officers and/or directors:

A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Vice Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

B. OFFICERS

President: John T. Thomas

Address: 340 Old Rapids Road  
Lexington SC 29072

Vice President: Ronald G. Thomas

Address: 1844 Robin Crest Drive  
West Columbia SC 29169

Secretary: Shonnie J. Thomas

Address: 1663 Beechcreek Rd Lexington SC 29072

Treasurer: Sherelyn K. Hook-Liles

Address: 4218 Blossom St. Columbia SC 29205

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

13. Shonnie Thomas  
(Signature of Director or Officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. Shonnie Thomas, Secretary  
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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# *The State of South Carolina*



*Office of Secretary of State Mark Hammond*

## **Certificate of Existence**

**I, Mark Hammond, Secretary of State of South Carolina Hereby certify that:**

V. B. HOOK VACUUM COOLING CO., INC.,  
a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina on September 28th, 1957, 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  
24th day of February, 2006.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Hammond".  
Mark Hammond, Secretary of State