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April 24, 2006

Department of State, Florida Clifton Building 2611 Executive Center Circle Tallahassee FL 32301

Re:

Order #: 6623714 SO

Customer Reference 1: None

Customer Reference 2:

Dear Department of State, Florida:

Please obtain the following:

Fort Washington Brokerage Services, Inc. (OH) Qualification Florida

Fort Washington Brokerage Services, Inc. (OH) Cert Copy of Certificate of Authority Florida

Enclosed please find a check for the requisite fees. Please return document(s) to the attention of the undersigned.

If for any reason the enclosed cannot be processed upon receipt, please contact the undersigned immediately at (850) 222-1092. Thank you very much for your help.

Sincerely,

Ashley A Mitchell Fulfillment Specialist

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APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

IN COMPLIANCE REGISTER A FOR	E WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA REIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSAC	A STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTEL T BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.) TO
1. Fo	art Machinston Brokeras	se Services. Inc.	
(Enter name of c	orporation; must include "INCORPORATE orp," "Inc," "Co," or "Corp.")	e Services, Inc. Ed," "COMPANY," "CORPORATION,"	
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•	-	me adopted for the purpose of transacting business in F	·lorida)
2. Ohi	under the law of which it is incorporated)	3. 31-0846576	
		5. Perpetual (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perp	` `
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400	Broadway, MS 36, Ci (Current mailing)	ncinnati, OH 45202 address)	
		able Products Annuities and Life - r country to be carried out in state of Florida)	Insurance 8 E.
9. Name and stree	et address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)	6 APR
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Office Address:	1200 South Pine Island Road		P 35
	Plantation	, Florida 33324	10:1
	(City)	(Zip code)	77
Having been nam designated in this further agree to co	application, I hereby accept the appoi	rvice of process for the above stated corporation intment as registered agent and agree to act in the is relative to the proper and complete performance position as registered agent.	is capacity. I
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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.

(Registered agent's signature)

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United States of America State of Ohio Office of the Secretary of State

I, J. Kenneth Blackwell, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected, qualified and present acting Secretary of State for the State of Ohio, and as such have custody of the records of Ohio and Foreign corporations; that said records show FORT WASHINGTON BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC., an Ohio corporation, Charter No. 453571, having its principal location in Cincinnati, County of Hamilton, was incorporated on May 21, 1974 and is currently in GOOD STANDING upon the records of this office.

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Witness my hand and the seal of the Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio this 10th day of March, A.D. 2006

Ohio Secretary of State

Validation Number: V200669M8A142

AFFIDAVIT OF GREGORY M. LUEBBE

STATE OF Ohio)	
)ss.	
COUNTY OF Hamilton)	

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Gregory M. Luebbe who being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. My name is Gregory M. Luebbe and I give the following information of which I have personal knowledge.
- 2. I am employed as Assistant Vice President of Fort Washington Brokerage Services, Inc. ("Fort Washington"), which is a broker-dealer registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- 3. I have authority to speak on Fort Washington's behalf with regard to matters contained within this Affidavit.
- 4. I am aware that Fort Washington registered representatives, acting pursuant to a Registered Representative Agreement, sell financial products in the state of Florida.
- 5. I am aware that the Registered Representative Agreement states with specificity that the registered representative is an independent contractor, that Fort Washington shall not require the registered representative to work a set number of hours, that the registered representative is free to exercise independent judgment as to the time, place and manner of solicitations for all products and services offered by Fort Washington, and that the registered representative is not an employee of Fort Washington.
- 6. I am also familiar with the Company's business practice of reporting payments made to of registered representative on IRS Form 1099 as independent contractors.
- 7. I am aware of and have consulted with counsel with respect to Florida Revised Statute §607.1501(e). Upon information and belief, the registered representatives selling financial products on behalf of Fort Washington in the state of Florida are independent contractors within the meaning of that provision.

Executed this 23 day of March, 2006.

NOTARY PUBLIC

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23 day of March, 2006, by Gregory M. Luebbe, who is personally known to me and who did take an oath.

Notary Public, State of Ohio

(Signature)

CAROLYN MARY SAENZ

My Commission Expires June 22, 2010

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