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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. The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company

(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. Connecticut

(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)

3. 06-0663265

(FEI number, if applicable)

4. November 17, 1950

(Date of incorporation)

5. perpetual

(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. July 1, 2006

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

7. 16380 U.S. Route 224 East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840

(Principal office address)

16380 U.S. Route 224 East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840

(Current mailing address)

8. to engage in the businesses and activities authorized under the Connecticut Business Corporation Act

(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: C T Corporation System

Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road

Plantation

(City)

Florida

33324

(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.

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By:

Claudia L. Saar

(Registered agent's signature)

Claudia L. Saar
Asst. Secretary

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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A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: Mark S. Hauser

Address: c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224 East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840

Director: see attached Exhibit A for additional directors

Address: _____

B. OFFICERS

President: Lawrence B. Sczwell

Address: c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224 East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840

Vice President: Victor Siwert

Address: c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224 East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840

Secretary: Howard Romanow

Address: c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224 East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840

Treasurer: Victor Siwert (Vice President - Finance)

Address: c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224 East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840

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

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

14. Victor L. Siwert CFO
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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**EXHIBIT A
TO APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION
FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA
OF THE HERCULES TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY**

12. A. DIRECTORS

**Howard Romanow, c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224
East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840**

**Kyle P. Wheeler, c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224 East,
Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840**

**Lawrence B. Seawell, c/o The Hercules Tire & Rubber Company, 16380 U.S. Route 224
East, Suite 200, Findlay, Ohio 45840**

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Office of the Secretary of the State of Connecticut

I, the Connecticut Secretary of the State, and keeper of the seal thereof,
DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the certificate of incorporation of

HERCULES TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY THE

a domestic STOCK corporation, was filed in this office on November 17, 1950, a certificate of dissolution has not been filed, the corporation has filed all annual reports, and so far as indicated by the records of this office such corporation is in existence.



Secretary of the State

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