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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. National Welders Supply 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. North Carolina 3. 56-0503794
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. 12-24-47 5. Perpetual
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

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

7. 810 Gesco Street, Charlotte, NC 28208
(Principal office address)

PO Box 31007 Charlotte, NC 28231
(Current mailing address)

8. Distributor of industrial, medical gases and welding supplies.
(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)

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Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road

Plantation . Florida 33324
(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, 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: James M. Newsome

(Registered agent's signature)

JAMES M. NEWSOME
Special Assistant 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: Peter McCausland

Address: 259 N. Radnor-Chester Road, Ste 100
Radnor, PA 19087

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: Andrew R. Cichocki

Address: 810 Gasco Street
Charlotte, NC 28208

Director: Robert M. McLaughlin

Address: 259 N. Radnor-Chester Road, Ste 100
Radnor, PA 19087

B. OFFICERS

President: Andrew R. Cichocki

Address: 810 Gasco Street
Charlotte, NC 28208

Vice President: Thomas M. Smyth

Address: 259 N. Radnor-Chester Road, Ste 100
Radnor, PA 19087

Secretary: Robert H. Young, Jr.

Address: 259 N. Radnor-Chester Road, Ste 100, Radnor, PA 19087

Treasurer: Alan DeMart

Address: 810 Gasco Street, Charlotte, NC 28208

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. Thomas M. Smyth, Vice President

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



NORTH CAROLINA

Department of The Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

I, ELAINE F. MARSHALL, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that

NATIONAL WELDERS SUPPLY COMPANY, INC.

is a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of North Carolina, having been incorporated on the 24th day of December, 1947, with its period of duration being Perpetual.

I FURTHER certify that, as of the date set forth hereunder, the said corporation's articles of incorporation are not suspended for failure to comply with the Revenue Act of the State of North Carolina; that the said corporation is not administratively dissolved for failure to comply with the provisions of the North Carolina Business Corporation Act; that its most recent annual report required by N.C.G.S. 55-16-22 has been delivered to the Secretary of State; and that the said corporation has not filed articles of dissolution as of the date of this certificate.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of Raleigh, this 5th day of February, 2008.

Elaine F. Marshall

Secretary of State

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