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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

March 5, 2010

RODNEY S. UPTON  
POST OFFICE BOX 284  
SPARTANBURG, SC 29304

SUBJECT: VENTEX COMPANY, INC.  
Ref. Number: W10000011333

We have received your document for VENTEX COMPANY, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of your corporation is not available in Florida. An out-of-state corporation whose name is not available must adopt an alternate corporate name for use in Florida. The alternate corporate name must contain "Incorporated," "Company," "Corporation," "Inc.," "Co.," "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Corp." Please enter the alternate corporate name in the space provided in number one of the application.

Simply adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of a name is not acceptable.

The entity's period of duration must be listed on the application. Please insert the word "perpetual", if a specific date of dissolution or term of existence has not been specified.

According to the application submitted to this office, this entity transacted business in the state of Florida before properly registering with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations. Consequently, a \$500 civil penalty and an annual report filing fee for each year the entity failed to properly file a Florida annual report are due this office. Based on the date entered on the application, the civil penalty and annual report filing fees total \$800.00.

The registered agent designated in your document is not an active entity according to our records. Please reinstate this entity (call (850) 245-6059 for information) or designate another entity that is active according to our records.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of 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) 245-6973.

Claretha Golden  
Regulatory Specialist II  
New Filing Section

Letter Number: 410A00005521

## COVER LETTER

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

**SUBJECT:** Ventex 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:

Rodney S. Upton  
(Name of Person)  
Ventex Company, Inc.  
(Firm/Company)  
P.O. Box 284  
(Address)  
Spartanburg, SC 29304  
(City/State and Zip code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Denise Upton at (864) 597-0234  
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

**STREET/COURIER ADDRESS:**

New Filing Section  
Division of Corporations  
Clifton Building  
2661 Executive Center Circle  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

New Filing Section  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

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

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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1. Ventex-Company, INC.

(Enter name of corporation; must include "INCORPORATED," "COMPANY," "CORPORATION,"  
"Inc.," "Co.," "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Corp.")

~~DBA~~ AMERICA'S Food Equipment Company

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

2. South Carolina

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

3. 57-1051324

(FEI number, if applicable)

4. 7-1-1996

(Date of incorporation)

5. ~~DECEMBER 31~~

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

"Perpetual"

6. FEBRUARY 1, 2008

(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration)

(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501 & 607.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability)

7. 1809 Southport Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29306

(Principal office address)

P.O. Box 284, Spartanburg, SC 29304

(Current mailing address)

8. SELL OF RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT.

(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:

LAW OFFICES OF Stephanie P. Cawein, P.A.

Office Address:

507 SOUTHEAST ELEVENTH CT.

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL

(City)

, Florida 33316

(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.*

(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:

Rodney S. Upton  
1809 Southport Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29306

**A. DIRECTORS**

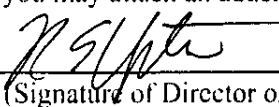
Chairman: N/A  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Vice Chairman: N/A  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Director: N/A  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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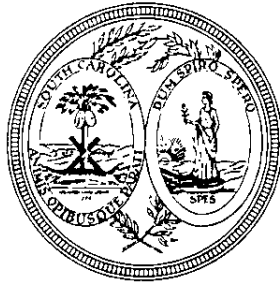
**B. OFFICERS**

President: Rodney S. Upton  
Address: 1756 Carolina Country Club Rd.  
Spartanburg, SC 29306  
Vice President: Denise Upton  
Address: 1756 Carolina Country Club Rd.  
Spartanburg, SC 29306  
Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**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. Rodney S. Upton, President.  
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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*Office of Secretary of State Mark Hammond*

## **Certificate of Existence**

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

VENTEX-COMPANY, INC.,  
a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina on May 21st, 1996, 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  
19th day of February, 2010.

  
Mark Hammond, Secretary of State