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TO: Qualification/Tax Lien Section
Division of Corporations

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SUBJECT: Gans Tire Co., 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:

Michael Lawrence

(Name of Person)

Gans Tire Co., Inc.

(Firm/Company)

730 Eastern Ave.

(Address)

Malden, MA 02148

(City/State/Zip)

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Should you need to call someone concerning this matter, please call:

Michael Lawrence

(Name of Person)

at (617) 321-3910

(Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

COURIER ADDRESS:

Qualification/Tax Lien Sec.
Division of Corporations
409 E. Gaines St
Tallahassee, FL 32399

MAILING ADDRESS:

Qualification/Tax Lien Section
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

**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. Gans Tire Co., Inc.
(Name of corporation: must include the word "INCORPORATED", "COMPANY", "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present.)
2. Massachusetts 3. 04-2546439
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. July 1974 5. Perpetual
(Date of Incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. March 1, 1996
(Date first transacted business in Florida. (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502, AND 817.155, F.S.))
7. 730 Eastern Ave.
Maldon, MA 02148
(Current mailing address)
8. Wholesale Tire Sales
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in the state of Florida)

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9. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box NOT acceptable)

Name: S.O. Kines

Office Address: 5700 Commonwealth Ave

Jacksonville, Florida, 32254
(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 addresses of officers and/or directors: (Street address ONLY- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)

A. DIRECTORS (Street address only- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)

Chairman: David Ganz

Address: 77 Wellesley Rd. Belmont, MA 02178

Vice Chairman: Judith Ganz

Address: 77 Wellesley Rd. Belmont, MA 02178

Director: Bryan Ganz

Address: 80 Trapelo Rd. Lincoln, MA 01773

Director: Neil Ganz

Address: 415 Cliffside Dr. Danville, CA 94526

B. OFFICERS (Street address only- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)

President: David Ganz

Address: 77 Wellesley Rd. Belmont, MA 02178

Vice President: Neil Ganz

Address: 415 Cliffside Dr. Danville, CA 94526

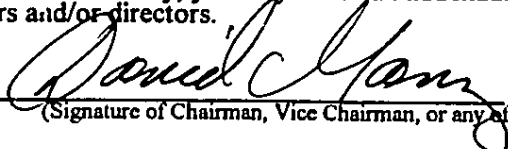
Secretary: Sheldon Ganz

Address: 13A Summer Ln. Framingham, MA 01701

Treasurer: Bryan Ganz

Address: 80 Trapelo Rd. Lincoln, MA 01773

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

13. 
(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. David Ganz - Chairman
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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William Francis Galvin
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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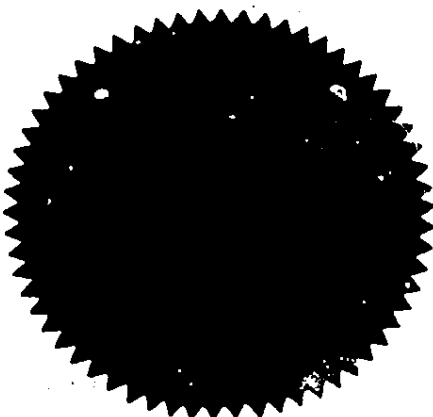
State House, Boston, Massachusetts 02133

April 18, 1996

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I hereby certify that the records of this office show that
Gans Corp.
was incorporated under the General Laws of this Commonwealth on
July 1, 1974
I further certify that by articles of amendment filed on June 30, 1976
the name of said corporation was changed to
Gans Tire Co., Inc.
and said corporation still has legal existence.

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In testimony of which,
I have hereunto affixed the
Great Seal of the Commonwealth
on the date first above written.

William Francis Galvin

Secretary of the Commonwealth

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* MGL Chapter 156B, § 83A provides that certain consolidations and mergers may be filed with the Division within thirty days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation.