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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Florida Division of Corporations
Amendment Section
409 Gaines Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Cree, Inc. -- Application by Foreign Profit Corporation to File Amendment

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find one original and one copy of an Application by Foreign Profit Corporation to File Amendment to Application for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$43.75 representing the filing fee for this Application.

Please return a copy of the filed Application to the undersigned as follows:

Ms. Tamara Cappelson
Cree, Inc.
4600 Silicon Drive
Durham, NC 27703
(919) 313-5403

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Tamara Cappelson
Senior Paralegal

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(Pursuant to s. 607.1504, F.S.)

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Business in Florida

Name of corporation as it appears on the records of the Department of State.

Incorporated under laws of

Date authorized to do business in Florida _____

4. If the amendment changes the name of the corporation, when was the change effected under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation? JANUARY 1, 2000

Name of corporation after the amendment, adding suffix "corporation" "company" or "incorporated," or appropriate abbreviation, if not contained in new name of the corporation.

New Duration

New Jurisdiction

January 7, 2000
Date

Typed or printed name

| <u>GENERAL COUNSEL AND SECRETARY</u> | |
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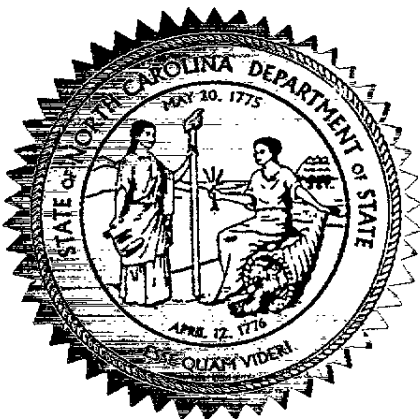
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To all whom these presents shall come, Greetings:

I, **ELAINE F. MARSHALL**, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the following and hereto attached to be a true copy of

**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
OF
CREE RESEARCH, INC.
Which changed it's name to
CREE, INC.**

the original of which is now on file and a matter of record in this office.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my official seal at the
City of Raleigh, this 20th day of December,
1999.

Elaine F. Marshall

Secretary of State

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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
OF
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
CREE RESEARCH, INC.

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Effective 1-1-2000 11:59:59 pm
ELAINE F. MARSHALL
SECRETARY OF STATE
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Pursuant to Section 55-10-06 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the undersigned corporation hereby submits the following Articles of Amendment for the purpose of amending its Articles of Incorporation:

1. The name of the corporation is Cree Research, Inc.
2. The text of Article I of the Articles of Incorporation is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"The name of the corporation is Cree, Inc."

3. No exchange, reclassification or cancellation of issued shares will be effected by the amendment.
4. The date of adoption of the amendment was November 2, 1999.
4. The amendment was approved by shareholder action as required by Chapter 55 of the North Carolina General Statutes.
5. These Articles of Amendment shall be effective on January 1, 2000.

Signed this the 7th day of December, 1999.

CREE RESEARCH, INC.

By: 
Adam H. Broome, Secretary