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NAME: AMERICAN VALVE & PUMP, INC.

XXXX QUALIFICATION (TYPE: CO)

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**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO  
TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

*IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS  
SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN THE  
STATE OF FLORIDA.*

1. American Valve & Pump, Inc.  
(Name of corporation; must include the word "INCORPORATED," "COMPANY," or  
"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. Indiana 3. 35-2042071  
(State or county under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. 1/14/98 5. perpetual  
(Date of Incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. January 14, 1998  
(Date first transacted business in Florida) (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155)
7. 25 Executive Drive, Suite D  
Lafayette, IN 47905  
(Current mailing address)
8. All lawful business  
(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 or Mail Drop Box NOT  
acceptable)

Name: Linda L. Fleming, Attorney at Law  
Office Address: 401 E. Jackson Street, Suite 2500  
Tampa, Florida 33602  
(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.*

Linda L. Fleming  
(Registered agent's signature)

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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 address of officers and/or directors: (Street address **ONLY** - P. O. Box **NOT** acceptable)

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

Chairman: Alan Brink  
Address: 1307 Smith Street, Loganport, IN 46947

Vice Chairman: Kenneth Spannagle  
Address: 17718 Nathan Drive  
Tampa, FL 33647

Director: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Director: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

President: Alan Brink  
Address: 1307 Smith Street  
Logansport, IN 46947

Vice President: Kenneth Sponnagle  
Address: 17718 Nathan Drive  
Tampa, FL 33647

Secretary: Alan Brink  
Address: 1307 Smith Street  
Logansport, IN 46947

Treasurer: Kenneth Sponnagle  
Address: 17718 Nathan Drive  
Tampa, FL 33647

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

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

14. R. ALAN BRINK, CHAIRMAN  
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

To Whom These Presents Come, Greeting:

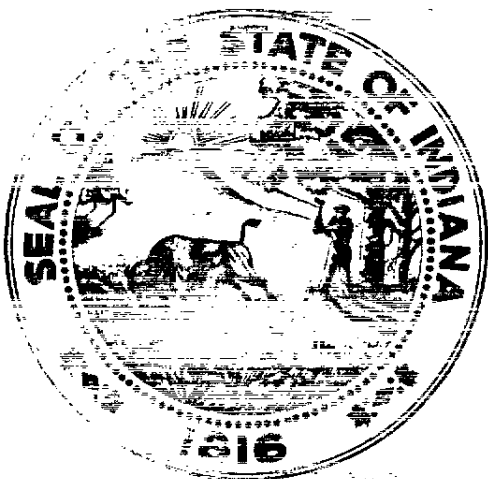
I, SUE ANNE GILROY, Secretary of State of Indiana, do hereby certify that I am, by virtue of the laws of the State of Indiana, the custodian of the corporate records and the proper official to execute this certificate.

I further certify that records of this office disclose that

AMERICAN VALVE & PUMP, INC.

filed Articles of Incorporation on January 14, 1998, and is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Indiana.

I further certify this corporation has filed its most recent annual report required by Indiana law with the Secretary of State, or is not yet required to file such annual reports, and that Articles of Dissolution have not been filed.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the State of Indiana, at the City of Indianapolis, this Sixth day of April, 1998.

*Sue Anne Gilroy*  
SUE ANNE GILROY, Secretary of State

*[Signature]*  
Deputy

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