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# LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

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# ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

OF

# FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

The undersigned hereby certifies that it has formed a limited liability company under the State of Florida.

## ARTICLE I

#### Name

The name of the limited liability company shall be FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC.

#### ARTICLE II

# Address and Place of Business

The mailing address and principal place of business for the limited liability company is:

FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC c/o Cynthia A. Kleinhans 980 Bay Esplanade Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

## ARTICLE III

# Period of Duration

The limited liability company shall begin existence on the day of filing, and shall continue into perpetuity, or until dissolved in a manner provided by law or by regulations adopted by the Members of the limited liability company.

#### ARTICLE IV

# Purposes

The limited liability company may engage in the transaction of any or all lawful business for which limited liability companies may be formed under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE V

## General Powers

The limited liability company shall have the power to:

- (a) Purchase, take, receive, lease or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, or otherwise deal in or with real or personal property, or an interest in real or personal property, wherever situated.
- (b) Sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, create a security interest in, lease, exchange, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property or assets.
- (c) Purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge or otherwise dispose of, use or deal in or with:
- (i) Shares or other interests in or obligations of other foreign or domestic limited liability companies, domestic or foreign corporations, associations, general or limited partnerships or individuals; or
- (ii) Direct or indirect obligations of the United States or any other government, state, territory, governmental district or municipality, or of any instrumentality thereof.
- (d) Make contracts or guarantees or incur liabilities; borrow money at such rates of interest as the limited liability company may determine; issue its notes, bonds, or other obligations

or secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of all or any part of its property, assets, franchises or income.

- (e) Lend money for any lawful purpose, invest or reinvest its funds, or take and hold real or personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested.
- (f) Conduct its business, carry on its operations and have offices, and exercise the powers granted by Florida law, within or without the State of Florida.
  - (g) Elect or appoint managers and agents, define their duties, and fix their compensation.
- (h) Make and alter an operating agreement not inconsistent with these Articles of Organization or the laws of the State of Florida.
- (i) Make donations to the public welfare or for charitable, scientific or educational purposes.
- (j) Indemnify a Member or any other person to the same extent as a corporation may indemnify any of the directors, officers, employees, or agents of the corporation against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or it in connection with the defense of an action, suit; or proceeding, whether civil or criminal, in which he or it is made a party.
  - (k) Cease its activities and surrender this Certificate of Organization.
- (1) Have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect any or all of Be purposes for which the limited liability company is organized.
- (m) Transact any lawful business which the Members find to be in aid of governmental policy.
- (n) Pay pensions and establish pension plans, profit-sharing plans and other incentive plans for any or all of its employees.

- (o) Be a promoter, incorporator, general partner, limited partner, Member, associate, or manager of any corporation, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise.
  - (p) Have and exercise all other powers necessary or convenient to effect its purposes.

#### ARTICLE VI

# Registered Office and Registered Agent

The street address of the limited liability company's initial registered office is 625 Court Street, Suite 625, Clearwater, FL 33756 and the initial registered agent at such address is Thomas C. Nash, II. The limited liability company may change its registered office or its registered agent or both by filing with the Department of State of the State of Florida a statement complying with Section 608.416, Florida Statutes. Thomas C. Nash, II is specifically authorized to sign and file such Affidavits as may be required under Section 608.407, Florida Statutes.

#### ARTICLE VII

# Initial Capital Contributions

The total amount of cash, and the description and agreed value of property other than cash initially contributed to the limited liability company is described on the attached Exhibit "A, which is made a part hereof by this reference.

## ARTICLE VIII

## Additional Contributions

Additional contributions, if any, will be made by the Members as provided in the regulations adopted by the Members.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Management

The management of the limited liability company, unless otherwise provided in the articles of organization or the operating agreement, shall be vested in its members in proportion to their contributions to the capital of the limited liability company, as adjusted from time to time to properly reflect any additional contributions or withdrawals by the members. The name and current address of each Member is as follows:

Cynthia A. Kleinhans 980 Bay Esplanade Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

#### ARTICLE X

# Continuity of Business

Upon the death, retirement, resignation, expulsion, bankruptcy or dissolution of a member, or upon the occurrence of any other event which terminates the continued membership of a member in the limited liability company, the business of the limited liability company shall not cease and the limited liability company shall not be dissolved unless the business of the limited liability company is terminated by the consent or agreement of the majority of the remaining Members interests. Notwithstanding the death, retirement, resignation, expulsion or bankruptcy of a Member, all contracts authorized by the limited liability company and executed by such Member in his or its representative capacity shall survive and shall inure to the benefit of the limited liability company.

#### ARTICLE XI

# Restrictions on Membership

No new members shall be admitted to the limited liability company without the prior consent of a majority of the existing members interests. Contributions required of new members shall be determined as of the time of their admission to the limited liability company. A member's interest in the limited liability company may not be sold or otherwise transferred except in compliance with the operating agreement of the limited liability company. Additional restrictions and conditions on membership may be set forth in the operating agreement adopted by the members.

#### ARTICLE XII

### Operating Agreement

The members of the limited liability company shall adopt an operating agreement of the members pertaining to the regulation, management and affairs of the limited liability company, provided that such regulations shall not be inconsistent with these Articles of Organization or with the laws of the State of Florida. The operating agreement shall be repealed or altered only by the members of the limited liability company, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE XIII

### Acknowledgment

The undersigned, being the members of the limited liability company, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes the Articles of Organization of FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC. These Articles of Organization may be amended from time to time by the members in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by the laws of the State of Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Organization this

lay of January, 2000.

By:

Attorney and Authorized Representative

for the Members

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this day personally appeared before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, Thomas C. Nash, II, to me personally known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing instrument or who has as identification and who did take an oath and acknowledged before me that they executed the same for the purposes therein expressed and in the capacities so stated.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Clearwater, said County and State, this January, 2000.

Print Name:

My Commission Expires:

COMMISSION & CC721581 EXPIRES

MY COMMISSION # CC/21581 EXPIRES April 28, 2002 BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

# EXHIBIT "A"

## ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

## **FOR**

# FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

# Initial Contribution:

The initial contribution to the capital of FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC, by its members is as follows:

Member Cash

Cynthia A. Kleinhans \$1,000.00

TOTAL \$1,000.00

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# CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.415, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

- 1. The name of the limited liability company is: FORAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Thomas C. Nash, II 625 Court Street Suite 200 Clearwater, Florida 33756

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, 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 relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Dated this  $O^T$  day of January, 2000.

Thomas Q. Nash, II

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