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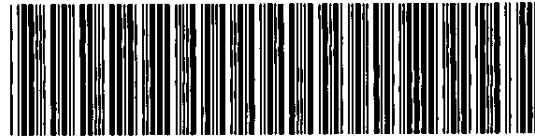
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EXAMINER

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TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: Morgan Tire & Auto, LLC
(Name of Surviving Party)

The enclosed Certificate of Merger and fee(s) are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to:

James S. Downing

(Contact Person)

Bridgestone Retail Operations, LLC

(Firm/Company)

333 East Lake Street

(Address)

Bloomington, Illinois 60108

(City, State and Zip Code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Daniel E. White at (312) 269-4112
(Name of Contact Person) (Area Code and Daytime Telephone Number)

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**Certificate of Merger
For
Florida Limited Liability Company**

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The following Certificate of Merger is submitted to merge the following Florida Limited Liability Company(ies) in accordance with s. 608.4382, Florida Statutes.

FIRST: The exact name, form/entity type, and jurisdiction for each merging party are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Form/Entity Type</u>
Morgan Equity Investors, Inc.	Florida	corporation

SECOND: The exact name, form/entity type, and jurisdiction of the surviving party are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Form/Entity Type</u>
Morgan Tire & Auto, LLC	Florida	limited liability company

THIRD: The attached plan of merger was approved by each domestic corporation, limited liability company, partnership and/or limited partnership that is a party to the merger in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapters 607, 608, 617, and/or 620, Florida Statutes.

FOURTH: The attached plan of merger was approved by each other business entity that is a party to the merger in accordance with the applicable laws of the state, country or jurisdiction under which such other business entity is formed, organized or incorporated.

FIFTH: If other than the date of filing, the effective date of the merger, which cannot be prior to nor more than 90 days after the date this document is filed by the Florida Department of State:

SIXTH: If the surviving party is not formed, organized or incorporated under the laws of Florida, the survivor's principal office address in its home state, country or jurisdiction is as follows:

SEVENTH: If the survivor is not formed, organized or incorporated under the laws of Florida, the survivor agrees to pay to any members with appraisal rights the amount, to which such members are entitled under ss.608.4351-608.43595, F.S.

EIGHTH: If the surviving party is an out-of-state entity not qualified to transact business in this state, the surviving entity:

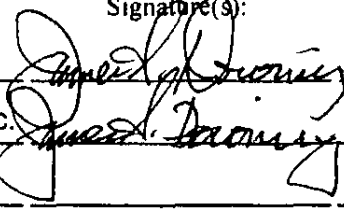
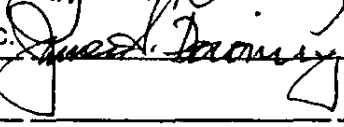
a.) Lists the following street and mailing address of an office, which the Florida Department of State may use for the purposes of s. 48.181, F.S., are as follows:

Street address: _____

Mailing address: _____

b.) Appoints the Florida Secretary of State as its agent for service of process in a proceeding to enforce obligations of each limited liability company that merged into such entity, including any appraisal rights of its members under ss.608.4351-608.43595, Florida Statutes.

NINTH: Signature(s) for Each Party:

Name of Entity/Organization:	Signature(s):	Typed or Printed Name of Individual:
Morgan Tire & Auto, LLC		James S. Downing
Morgan Equity Investors, Inc.		James S. Downing

Corporations:	Chairman, Vice Chairman, President or Officer (If no directors selected, signature of incorporator.)
General partnerships:	Signature of a general partner or authorized person
Florida Limited Partnerships:	Signatures of all general partners
Non-Florida Limited Partnerships:	Signature of a general partner
Limited Liability Companies:	Signature of a member or authorized representative

<u>Fees:</u> For each Limited Liability Company:	\$25.00
For each Corporation:	\$35.00
For each Limited Partnership:	\$52.50
For each General Partnership:	\$25.00
For each Other Business Entity:	\$25.00

<u>Certified Copy (optional):</u>	\$30.00
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PLAN OF MERGER

FIRST: The exact name, form/entity type, and jurisdiction for each **merging** party are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Form/Entity Type</u>
Morgan Equity Investors, Inc.	Florida	corporation

SECOND: The exact name, form/entity type, and jurisdiction of the **surviving** party are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Form/Entity Type</u>
Morgan Tire & Auto, LLC	Florida	limited liability company

THIRD: The terms and conditions of the merger are as follows:

Pursuant to Section 607.1108 of the Florida Business Corporation Act and Section 608.438 of the Florida Limited Liability Company Act, Morgan Equity Investors, Inc., a Florida corporation, shall be merged with and into Morgan Tire & Auto, LLC, a Florida limited liability company. The surviving entity of the merger shall be Morgan Tire & Auto, LLC, and at the effective time of the merger, the separate existence of Morgan Equity Investors, Inc. shall cease. The Articles of Organization of Morgan Tire & Auto, LLC, as in effect immediately prior to the effective time of the merger, shall be its Articles of Organization following the merger.

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

FOURTH:

A. The manner and basis of converting the interests, shares, obligations or other securities of each merged party into the interests, shares, obligations or others securities of the survivor, in whole or in part, into cash or other property is as follows:

All of the issued and outstanding shares of the common stock of
Morgan Equity Investors, Inc. held by its sole shareholder shall be
canceled in exchange for the sole membership interest in Morgan
Tire & Auto, LLC.

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

B. The manner and basis of converting rights to acquire the interests, shares, obligations or other securities of each merged party into rights to acquire the interests, shares, obligations or others securities of the survivor, in whole or in part, into cash or other property is as follows:

There are no issued or outstanding rights to acquire interests,
shares, obligations or other securities of Morgan Equity Investors,
Inc.

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

FIFTH: Any statements that are required by the laws under which each other business entity is formed, organized, or incorporated are as follows:

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

SIXTH: Other provisions, if any, relating to the merger are as follows:

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)