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### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

June 24, 2013

JAMES T. BACON 11350 RANDOM HILLS ROAD, SUITE 700 FAIRFAX, VA 22030

SUBJECT: DIRECT CONNECT MERCHANT SERVICES, LLC

Ref. Number: W13000036265

We have received your document for DIRECT CONNECT MERCHANT SERVICES, LLC and your check(s) totaling \$155.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The effective date of the conversion cannot be prior to the date of filing nor more than 90 days after the date of filing and must be the same as the effective date listed in the Florida Articles of Organization, if any.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6051.

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## **COVER LETTER**

TO: Registration Section Division of Corporations			
SUBJECT: Direct Connect Merch (Name o	nant Services, LL f Resulting Florida Limit		-
The enclosed Certificate of Conversion, a "Other Business Entity" into a "Florida L	Articles of Organizat Limited Liability Con	ion, and fees are submitted on pany" in accordance with s	to convert ans. 608.439, F.S.
Please return all correspondence concern	ing this matter to:		
James T. Bacon			
(Contact Person)			
Allred, Bacon, Halfhill & Young,	PC		
(Firm/Company)			
11350 Random Hills Road, Suite	e 700		
(Address)			
Fairfax, VA 22030			
(City, State and Zip Code	e)		
jbacon@abhylaw.com	,		
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual repo	ort notifications)		
For further information concerning this n	natter, please call:		
James T. Bacon	at (_703)_	352-1300	
(Name of Contact Person)		nd Daytime Telephone Number)	
Enclosed is a check for the following am	ount:		Com Com
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STREET ADDRESS: Registration Section Division of Corporations Clifton Building 2661 Executive Center Circle	Registrat Division P. O. Box	IG ADDRESS: ion Section of Corporations x 6327 see, FL 32314	्रेल ज

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Via Federal Express July 2, 2013

Florida Department of State Registration Section Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Conversion of Virginia company, "Direct Connect, LLC" to Florida company, "Direct Connect Merchant Services, LLC".

Dear Sir or Madam:

We are in receipt of your June 24, 2013 letter regarding the above-referenced filing. Please see the enclosed application, which we have amended by striking through the previously requested "effective date".

Should there be any further questions or comments with regards to this transaction, do not hesitate to contact my office. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours

James T. Bacon, Esq.

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# For "Other Business Entity" Into

### Florida Limited Liability Company

This Certificate of Conversion <u>and attached Articles of Organization</u> are submitted to convert the following "Other Business Entity" into a Florida Limited Liability Company in accordance with s.608.439, Florida Statutes.

1. The name of the "Other Business Entity" immediately prior to the filing of this Certific	cate of	F	
Conversion is:			
Direct Connect, LLC			
(Enter Name of Other Business Entity)			
2. The "Other Business Entity" is a Limited Liability Company			
(Enter entity type. Example: corporation, limited partnership, general partnership, common law or business trust, etc.)			
first organized, formed or incorporated under the laws of Virginia	_		
(Enter state, or if a non-U.S. entity, the name of the country)	-		
on May 14, 2008 (Enter date "Other Business Entity" was first organized, formed or incorpo	rated	l)	
3. If the jurisdiction of the "Other Business Entity" was changed, the state or country und which it is now organized, formed or incorporated:	er the	laws of	of 
4. The name of the Florida Limited Liability Company as set forth in the attached Articl Organization:	es of	in B	To be a first to the second se
Direct Connect Merchant Services, LLC		ar Tr	1.74 - 10
(Enter Name of Florida Limited Liability Company)	j.	25	
5. If not effective on the date of filing, enter the effective date:  (The effective date: 1) cannot be prior to nor more than 90 days after the date this d filed by the Florida Department of State; AND 2) must be the same as the effective d attached Articles of Organization, if an effective date is listed therein.)			the
6. The conversion is permitted by the applicable law(s) governing the other business entity conversion complies with such law(s) and the requirements of s.608.439, F.S., in effecting			sion.

7. The "Other Business Entity" currently exists on the official records of the jurisdiction under which it is

currently organized, formed or incorporated.

Signed this 19th day of June	20 <u>13</u> .	
	presentative of Limited Liability Company ated in this document are true. Any false infeed for in s.817.155, F.S.	
Signature of Member or Authorized Representation Name: Carlos E. Gavidia Revocal		<del></del>
Signature(s) on behalf of Other Business E	ntity: Individual(s) signing affirm(s) that the	e facts stated in vided for in
Signature: Printed Name: Carlos E. Gavidia Revocable Trust	Title: Trustee	
Signature: Printed Name:	Title:	<del></del>
Signature:Printed Name:	Title:	
Signature:Printed Name:	Title:	<del>_</del>
Signature: Printed Name:	Title:	<del></del>
Signature:Printed Name:	Title:	
If Florida Corporation: Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Directors or Officers have not been selected.		
If Florida General Partnership or Limited Signature of one General Partner.	Liability Partnership:	
If Florida Limited Partnership or Limited Signatures of <u>ALL</u> General Partners.	Liability Limited Partnership:	Cn cn
All others: Signature of an authorized person.		
Fees:		
Certificate of Conversion: Fees for Florida Articles of Organization: Certified Copy: Certificate of Status:	\$25.00 \$125.00 \$30.00 (Optional) \$5.00 (Optional) Page 2 of 2	

# ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FOR FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

**ARTICLE I - Name:** 

The name of the Limited Liability Company is:	
Direct Connect Merchant Services, (Must end with the words "Limited Liability Company, the abbrev	LLC iation "L.L.C.," or the designation "LLC.")
ARTICLE II - Address: The mailing address and street address of the prince	cipal office of the Limited Liability Company is:
Principal Office Address:	Mailing Address:
212 Spyglass Lane Jupiter, FL 33477	212 Spyglass Lane Jupiter, FL 33477
ARTICLE III - Registered Agent, Registered Co. (The Limited Liability Company cannot serve as its own Registere business entity with an active Florida registration.)  The name and the Florida street address of the reg	d Agent. You must designate an individual or another
Carlos Gavidia	
	Name Control of the C
212 Spyglass Lane Florida street address (P	P.O. Box NOT acceptable)
Jupiter City, St	FL 33477
company at the place designated in this certificate, agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to com	I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my

(CONTINUED)

Registered Agent's Signature (REQUIRED)

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#### ARTICLE IV- Manager(s) or Managing Member(s):

The name and address of each Manager or Managing Member is as follows:

<u>Title:</u>	Name and Address:
"MGR" = Manager "MGRM" = Managing Membe	er
MGRM	Matt Clyne 3901 Centerview Drive, Suite W Chantilly, VA 20105
MGRM	Carlos E. Gavidia Revocable Trust 212 Spyglass Lane Jupiter FL 33477
(Use attachment if necessary)  ICLE V: Effective date, if other	er than the date of filing:  (OPTIONAL)

(The effective date: 1) cannot be prior to nor more than 90 days after the date this document is filed by the Florida Department of State; <u>AND</u> 2) must be the same as the effective date listed in the attached Certificate of Conversion, if an effective date listed therein.)

**REQUIRED SIGNATURE:** 

**ART** 

Signature of a member of an authorized representative of a member.

(In accordance with section 608.403(3), Florida Statutes, the execution of this document constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.)

Carlos E. Gavidia Revocable Trust

Typed or printed name of signee

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