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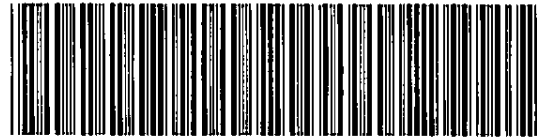
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SUBJECT: EMPIRE FREIGHT LOGISTICS, LLC
Ref. Number: W23000136700

We have received your document for EMPIRE FREIGHT LOGISTICS, LLC and your check(s) totaling \$. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The form you have submitted is for an INC but your entity is an LLC. Please fill out the correct application and return.,

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

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Name: Juliana

Reference #: 2146169

Entity Name: EMPIRE FREIGHT LOGISTICS, LLC

☒ Articles of Incorporation/Authorization to Transact Business

☐ Amendment

☐ Change of Agent

☐ Reinstatement

☐ Conversion

☐ Merger

☐ Dissolution/Withdrawal

☐ Fictitious Name

☒ Other Please retain original filing date and provide certified copy 7

Authorized Amount: \$155.00

Signature: Juliana Prestia

COVER LETTER

**TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations**

SUBJECT: Empire Freight Logistics, LLC

Name of Limited Liability Company

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Limited Liability Company for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida," Certificate of Existence, and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign limited liability company to transact business in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Daniel Meldrim

Name of Person

Empire Freight Logistics, LLC

Firm/Company

6567 Kinne Road

Address

Syracuse, New York 13214

City/State and Zip Code

dmeldrim@shipeff.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Daniel Meldrim

at (315)

374-9492

Name of Contact Person

Area Code

Daytime Telephone Number

MAILING ADDRESS:

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

STREET ADDRESS:

Division of Corporations
Registration Section
Clifton Building
2661 Executive Center Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

Please make check payable to: **FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

☐ \$125.00 Filing Fee

☐ \$130.00 Filing Fee &
Certificate of Status

☐ \$155.00 Filing Fee &
Certified Copy

☐ \$160.00 Filing Fee, Certificate
of Status & Certified Copy

APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS
IN FLORIDA

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 605.0902, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

1. Empire Freight Logistics, LLC
(Name of Foreign Limited Liability Company; must include "Limited Liability Company," "L.L.C.," or "LLC.")

(If name unavailable, enter alternate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida. The alternate name must include "Limited Liability Company," "L.L.C.," or "LLC.")

2. New York
(Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited liability company is organized)

3. N/A
(FEI number, if applicable)

4. Please see enclosed Supplemental Response
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration.)
(See sections 605.0904 & 605.0905, F.S. to determine penalty liability)

5. 6567 Kinne Road
(Street Address of Principal Office)

6. Same as number 5
(Mailing Address)

Syracuse, New York 13214

7. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

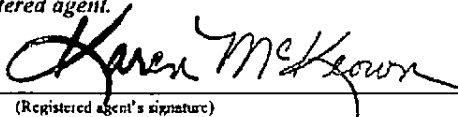
Name: Cogency Global Inc.

Office Address: 115 North Calhoun St. Suite 4

Tallahassee, Florida 32301
(City) (Zip code)

Registered agent's acceptance:

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 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.


(Registered agent's signature)

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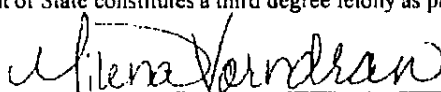
8. For initial indexing purposes, list names, title or capacity and addresses of the primary members/managers or persons authorized to manage [up to six (6) total]:

| <u>Title or Capacity:</u> | <u>Name and Address:</u> | <u>Title or Capacity:</u> | <u>Name and Address:</u> |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manager | Name: Daniel Meldrim | <input type="checkbox"/> Manager | Name: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Member | Address: Empire Freight Logistics, LLC | <input type="checkbox"/> Member | Address: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized | 6567 Kinne Road | <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized | _____ |
| Person | Syracuse, New York 13214 | Person | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
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Important Notice: Use an attachment to report more than six (6). The attachment will be imaged for reporting purposes only. Non-indexed individuals may be added to the index when filing your Florida Department of State Annual Report form.

9. Attached is a certificate of existence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the official having custody of records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is organized. (If the certificate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate under oath of the translator must be submitted)

10. This document is executed in accordance with section 605.0203 (1) (b), Florida Statutes. 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.



Signature of an authorized person

Milena Vorndran

Typed or printed name of signee

EMPIRE FREIGHT LOGISTICS, LLC
EIN: 57-1159689

Question #4: Supplemental Response

The Application by Foreign Limited Liability Company for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida requires the applicant to state the date it first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration.

Florida Statutes Section 607.1501(2)(a)–(m) provides a non-exhaustive list of activities which *do not* constitute transacting business. Upon review, Empire Freight Logistics, LLC (the “Company”) has determined that this list does not fully encompass the Company’s contacts with or activities within the state. Given that there is no comprehensive guidance with respect to contacts which *do* constitute transacting business in the state, the Company has undertaken an extensive review of its contacts with the state of Florida in an attempt to determine whether it has transacted business in Florida, and if so, the date it first transacted business in the state.

Taking into consideration the facts outlined below, and the limited nature of the contacts, the Company believes it has not transacted business in the state of Florida within the meaning of the Florida statute. We have provided a summary of the Company’s contacts below for the Florida Department of State’s review.

Remote Employee and Services

The Company has one employee (the “Employee”) that has resided and worked in Florida for a limited time as further described below.

The Employee moved from New York to Florida and began working for the Company remotely from the Employee’s home in Florida on August 20, 2021. The work the Employee performs for the Company includes handling freight claims with respect to the Company’s freight brokerage business. This individual does not hold any professional licenses in Florida and performs all work remotely. Therefore, the limited and minimal contacts of this individual’s employment as a remote employee does not constitute transacting business in Florida.

Based on the foregoing, the Company believes it has not transacted business in the state of Florida within the meaning of the Florida statute. In the alternative, should the Florida Department of State believe that the Company has been transacting business in the state of Florida, it is the Company’s position that any transacting of business occurred no earlier than on August 20, 2021, which is the first date the Company had an employee working remotely within the state of Florida.

STATE OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Certificate of Status

I, ROBERT J. RODRIGUEZ, Secretary of State of the State of New York and custodian of the records required by law to be filed in my office, do hereby certify that upon a diligent examination of the records of the Department of State, as of the date and time of this certificate, the following entity information is reflected:

Entity Name: EMPIRE FREIGHT LOGISTICS, LLC
DOS ID Number: 2871174
Entity Type: DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Entity Status: EXISTING
Date of Initial Filing with DOS: 02/18/2003

Statement Status: CURRENT
Statement Due Date: 02/28/2025

No information is available from this office regarding the financial condition, business activity or practices of this entity.



WITNESS my hand and official seal of the Department of State,
at the City of Albany, on October 05, 2023 at 12:54 P.M.

ROBERT J. RODRIGUEZ, Secretary of State

Brendan C. Hughes

By Brendan C. Hughes
Executive Deputy Secretary of State

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