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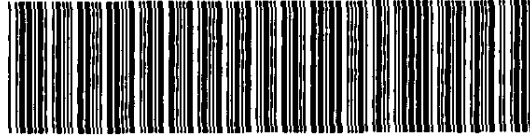
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## COVER LETTER

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

SUBJECT: **US TOMATO FARMERS**

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: **REGINALD L. BROWN**

Name (Printed or typed)

**800 TRAFALGAR CT. #300**

Address

**MAITLAND, FL 32751**

City, State & Zip

**407-660-1949**

Daytime Telephone number

**REGGIE@FLORIDATOMATOES.ORG**

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

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**



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Division of Corporations

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February 20, 2015

REGINALD L. BROWN  
800 TRAFALGAR CT, #300  
MAITLAND, FL 32751

SUBJECT: US TOMATO FARMERS  
Ref. Number: W15000012609

We have received your document for US TOMATO FARMERS and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name must contain a word that will clearly indicate that it is a corporation. This word may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of 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) 245-6052.

Sylvia Gilbert  
Regulatory Specialist II  
New Filing Section

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

**ARTICLE I    NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be: US TOMATO FARMERS, INC.

**ARTICLE II    PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

Principal street address:  
800 TRAFALGAR COURT

SUITE 300

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**ARTICLE III    PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is: (a) To serve as an association of persons having a common business interest in the United States tomato industry.

(b) To promote, encourage, foster, facilitate and insure the economical, orderly and efficient production, packaging, distribution: and sale of fresh United States tomatoes.

(c) To collect, assemble, record and disseminate information on the production, harvesting, packaging, sale and distribution of fresh United States tomatoes.

(d) To stimulate the demand and confidence of purchasers, as well as to promote harmony and good will among buyers, consumers and other allied interests by public relations activities, promotion and advertising.

(e) To promote the marketing and distribution of fresh United States tomatoes so as to obtain prices that are fair to consumers, as well as producers, based upon crop and market conditions.

(f) To provide legal services on matters that affect the United States tomato industry.

**ARTICLE IV    MANNER OF ELECTION** The manner in which the directors are elected and appointed: \_\_\_\_\_

Elected by membership at annual meeting

**ARTICLE V    INITIAL OFFICERS AND/OR DIRECTORS**

Name and Title: Edward Beckman, COO

Address: 13401 E. Jefferson St.

LeGrand, CA 95333

Name and Title: Bob Giampaoli, CEO

Address: 13401 E. Jefferson St.

LeGrand, CA 95333

Name and Title: Billy L. Heller, Jr., Co-CEO/COO

Address: 503 10th Street, West

Palmetto, FL 34220

Name and Title: Jeffrey Dolan, Field Operation Mgr.

Address: 1406 N. Street

Newman, CA 95360

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**ARTICLE VI REGISTERED AGENT**

The **name and Florida street address** (P.O. Box NOT acceptable) of the registered agent is:

Name: Reginald L. Brown

Address: 800 Trafalgar Ct., Suite 300  
Maitland, FL 32751

**ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR**

The **name and address** of the Incorporator is:

Name: Reginald L. Brown

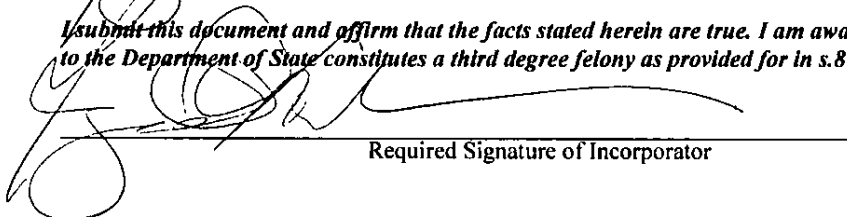
Address: 800 Trafalgar Ct., Suite 300  
Maitland, FL 32751

*Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity*

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Required Signature of Registered Agent

2/24/15  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*I submit this document and affirm 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.*

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Required Signature of Incorporator

2/26/15  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date