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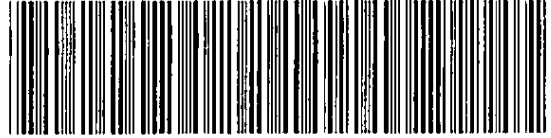
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Via Hand Delivery

Florida Division of Corporations
Fla. Dept. of State
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

**Re: Filing of Articles of Incorporation of: Tallahassee Regional Environmental
Group, Inc., a Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation.**

Dear Division of Corporations:

Please find attached for filing the Articles of Incorporation (and a copy) on behalf of the Tallahassee Regional Environmental Group, Inc., along with the \$78.75 filing fee.

If available, I will retrieve the filed copy tomorrow morning.

Thank you as always for your assistance.

Sincerely,



H. Richard Bisbee

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Encl. Articles & Check

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

SUBJECT: Tallahassee Regional Environmental Group, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

☐ \$70.00
Filing Fee

☒ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
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FROM: H. Richard Bisbee

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J. Terry Ryan <terry@thetrakker.com>

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

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF THE
TALLAHASSEE REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, INC.
A Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation**

In compliance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the undersigned, all of whom are resident(s) of Leon County and the State of Florida and are of legal age, have this day voluntarily associated themselves together for the purpose of forming a Not-for Profit Corporation and do hereby certify:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be the **TALLAHASSEE REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, INC.** (hereinafter referred to as "TREG"). It shall be a nonprofit corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida exclusively for educational and charitable purposes within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. No part of any income or profit of this corporation shall be distributable to its members, directors, or officers, except as provided under §617.0505, Fla. Stat.

**ARTICLE II
PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The street address of the principal office of TREG for the transaction of business and receipt of mail shall be at 2538 Stonegate Drive, Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida 32208.

**ARTICLE III
MISSION, PURPOSE, AND POWERS OF TREG**

(1) **MISSION:** TREG shall be composed of citizens, professionals, scientists, educators, and volunteers concerned about pollution and related environmental issues beginning within the region where the Florida Aquifer flows from South Georgia to the Gulf of Mexico and the manner in which environmental issues are identified, addressed, or remedied, jointly or severally, by the State of Florida and counties located within this geographical area.

(2) **PURPOSES:** TREG's specific purposes shall consist of the following:

a. **EDUCATION:**

Develop a citizen and school educational outreach program educating or alerting

citizens of local and regional environmental concerns.

b. RESEARCH:

Create and train a Citizens Science group of volunteers to research past water analyses in the region and conduct their own sampling as needed and trace the sources of contamination.

c. INCREASE LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY:

Define environmental issues that require greater governmental transparency and advocacy with local government.

d. ADVOCATE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF TALLAHASSEE, LEON COUNTY, AND WITHIN THE REGION BEGINNING FROM WHERE THE FLORIDA AQUIFER FLOWS FROM SOUTH GEORGIA TO THE GULF OF MEXICO:

Notify and advocate for residents affected by sewage spills, contaminated sites, and other environmental issues.

(3) **POWERS:** The above purposes may be amended from time to time and any additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of TREG, and for this purpose to (a) exercise all of the powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of TREG as set forth herein, and (b) have and to exercise any and all powers, rights, and privileges which a Not-for-Profit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Fla. Stat. (Florida's Non-Profit Corporation Law) may now or hereafter possess.

**ARTICLE IV
MEMBERSHIP**

Every person of voting age who is a resident of the City of Tallahassee, Leon County, or within the region beginning from where the Florida aquifer flows from south Georgia to the Gulf of Mexico who has a genuine concern for the environment and the mission of TREG as set forth in Article III above, can be a member of TREG.

**ARTICLE V
VOTING RIGHTS**

TREG shall have one class of voting membership consisting of each member of the Board of Directors. Each Director shall be entitled to one vote. The vote for each Director shall be

exercised as each Director determines, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to each Director.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of TREG shall be managed by a Board of Directors of no less than three (3) Directors but no more than (9) Directors who must be members of TREG. The number of directors and directors' terms of office may be changed by amendment of the By-Laws of TREG.

At the first annual meeting the Board of Directors shall elect one director for a term of one year, one director for a term of two years and one director for a term of three years; and at each annual meeting thereafter the Board of Directors shall elect one director for a term of three years. A Director or a Member shall be entitled to nominate an individual or individuals to serve on the Board of Directors. An individual nominated to serve on the Board of Directors must be approved by a majority vote of the existing Directors.

The following individuals shall serve as the initial Directors of TREG:

Terry Ryan
2538 Stonegate Drive
Tallahassee, Florida 32208

Dr. Amal Ibourk, Ph.D
Assistant Professor
Science Education
1114 West Call Street, G131
School of Teacher Education
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4459

Glenna Jo Kester
1022 Munson Landing Rd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32305

Dr. Sean McGlynn, Ph.D
c/o McGlynn Laboratories, Inc.
568 Beverly Court
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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Professor
1011 Academic Way
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ARTICLE VII OFFICERS

The officers of TREG shall be a President and Vice President, who at all times shall be members of the Board of Directors, and a Secretary/Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board

of Directors may from time to time by resolution create. The election, term, removal, and duties of the officers shall be as set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII

BY-LAWS

The initial By-Laws for TREG shall be adopted by a vote of a majority of the Board of Directors. The By-Laws may be amended or altered at a regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors, by a vote of a majority of a quorum of the Board of Directors present in person or by proxy, in the manner and subject to any other conditions set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IX

DURATION

TREG shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE X

DISSOLUTION

TREG may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than three-fourths (3/4th) of the Board of Directors. Upon dissolution of TREG, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of TREG shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency to be used for the purposes similar to those for which TREG was created. In the event that such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed and assigned to any nonprofit corporation, trust, or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes.

ARTICLE XI

AMENDMENTS

(1) Amendments to these Articles shall be made in the following manner:

(a) The Board of Directors shall adopt a resolution setting forth the proposed amendment. The amendment shall be adopted by a vote of the majority of Directors.

(b) Written notice setting forth the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be effected thereby shall be given to each Director of record entitled to vote thereon

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within the time and in the manner provided by these Articles, the By-Laws or general law for the giving of notice of meetings of Directors. If the meeting is an annual meeting, the proposed amendment or such summary may be included in the notice of such annual meeting.

(2) At such meeting, a vote of the Directors entitled to vote thereon shall be taken on the proposed amendment. The proposed amendment shall be adopted upon receiving the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes of Directors entitled to vote thereon. Any number of amendments may be submitted to the Directors and voted upon by them at one meeting.

(3) If all of the Directors sign a written statement manifesting their intention that an amendment to these Articles of Incorporation be adopted, then the amendment shall thereby be adopted as though subsection (1) had been satisfied.

ARTICLE XII

REGISTERED AGENT

H. Richard Bisbee, Attorney at Law, whose address is 1882 Capital Circle N.E., Suite 206, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, is hereby appointed the initial registered agent of TREG.

ARTICLE XIII

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pursuant to §617.0203(1), Fla. Stat., the effective date of TREG shall be the date these Articles of Incorporation are filed with the Florida Secretary of State, Division of Corporations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purposes of forming this Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, we, the undersigned, constituting the incorporators of this Corporation,

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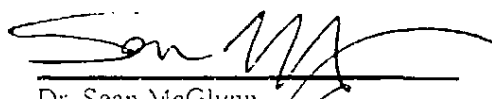
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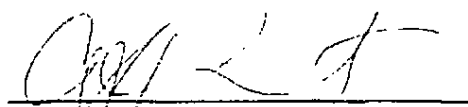
have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 31st day of July 2024.

INCORPORATOR(S)


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2538 Stonegate Drive
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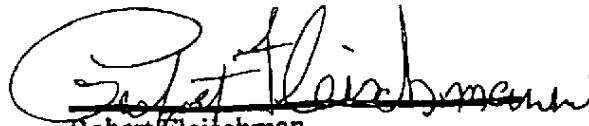

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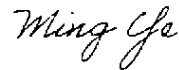

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ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Attorney H. Richard Bisbee, having been named as the registered agent in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation agrees to accept service of process for TREG at 1882 Capital Circle N.E., Suite 206, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 and to act as the registered agent in compliance with the laws of the State of Florida relative to such position. The undersigned registered agent is familiar with and accepts the obligations of that position.



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