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

SUBJECT:	THE			MANUFACTURERS	ASSOCIATION, O	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

& Certificate

\$122.50

Filing Fee

& Certified Copy

\$131.25

Filing Fee,

Certified Copy

& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

MICHAEL J. DEVINE

Name (Printed or typed)

Address

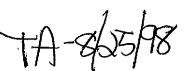
JACKSONVIUE, FL 3225 Y

City, State & Zip

(800) 736 - 0238

Daytime Telephone number

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



ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

The Backflow Prevention Manufacturer's Association, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

250 Lane Avenue North Jacksonville, FL 32254

ARTICLE III PURPOSE(S)

The specific purpose(s) for which the corporation is organized is (are):

- 1. To promote the common business interests of those engaged in the backflow industry.
- To consider and deal by all lawful means with common problems of management, distribution, employment and
 financial functions of the backflow prevention industry; to foster cooperative action in advancing the common
 purposes of its members and promote activities designed to enable the industry to be conducted with the greatest
 economy and efficiency.
- 3. To afford due consideration to and expression of opinion upon questions affecting the industry and the financial, commercial and industrial interests of the nation, and to promote the common business interests of the industry.
- 4. To cooperate with other industries and organizations.
- 5. To conduct or engage in all lawful activities in furtherance of the foregoing purposes, or incidental thereto.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall be composed of the President, Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Organization. They shall be elected, by ballot, by the members of the Association, for two (2) year terms. Initially, the Vice President and the Secretary will be elected to a one (1) year term, to allow for subsequent continuity of the Board. Any officer is eligible for reelection.

ARTICLE V INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street addresses of the initial registered agent are:

Michael J. Devine

250 Lane Avenue North

Jacksonville, FL 32254

ARTICLE VI INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Michael J. Devine

250 Lane Avenue North

Jacksonville, FL 32254

Signature/Incorporator

8/20/98

Date

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate. 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 statues relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Signature/Registered Agent

Date