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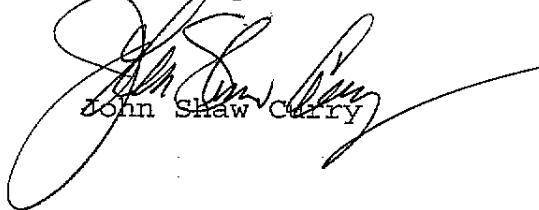
Re: Higdon Industries Incorporated

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find original articles of incorporation for the above referenced corporation, a copy of articles for certification and my check in the amount of \$78.75 for filing fee and cost of certification. Please forward to me the certified copy.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,


John Shaw Curry

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Enclosures

ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION
OF
HIGDON INDUSTRIES INCORPORATED

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ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is HIGDON INDUSTRIES INCORPORATED.

ARTICLE II

This corporation is authorized to issue one thousand (1,000) shares of \$1.00 par value common stock.

ARTICLE III

The corporation is organized for the purpose of conducting any and all lawful business within the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IV

The street address of the initial registered and principle office of this corporation is 130 North Virginia Street, Quincy, Florida 32351, and its post office box is Post Office Box 1739, Quincy, Florida 32353-1739, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is J. WARREN HIGDON, III.

ARTICLE V

This corporation shall have three (3) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws, but shall never be less than one. The name and address of the initial directors of this corporation are:

J. WARREN HIGDON, III

Post Office Box 1739
Quincy, Florida 32353-1739

JOSEPH W. HIGDON, JR.

Post Office Box 1739
Quincy, Florida 32353-1739

RALPH W. HIGDON

Post Office Box 1739
Quincy, Florida 32353-1739

ARTICLE VI

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is J. WARREN HIGDON, III, as the Incorporator. His address is 130 North Virginia Street, Quincy, Florida 32351, and his post office box is Post Office Box 1739, Quincy, Florida 32353-1739.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 15th day of February, A.D., 2000.




J. WARREN HIGDON, III
Incorporator

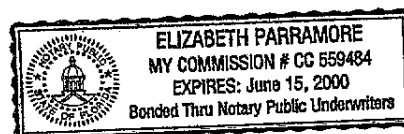
STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF GADSDEN

The undersigned notary public hereby certifies that the foregoing instrument was sworn to, subscribed and acknowledged before me this 15th day of February, 2000, by J. WARREN HIGDON, III, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC



ELIZABETH PARRAMORE
State of Florida at Large
My Commission Expires: 6/15/2000



**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATION (OR CHANGING) PLACE OF BUSINESS
OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE
NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

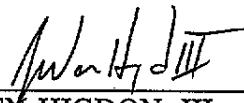
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In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

First — that HIGDON INDUSTRIES INCORPORATED desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida, has named J. WARREN HIGDON, III located at 130 North Virginia Street, Quincy, Florida 32351, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.



J. WARREN HIGDON, III
Resident Agent