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July 7, 2000

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

RE: U.S. MEAT PACKERS, INC

Enclosed please find the following documents for filing herein:

Articles of Incorporation for U.S. Meat Packers, Inc. and Certificate designating Place of Business along with the filing fee, (\$87.50).

If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Frank Ribel, Jr.  
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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**U.S. MEAT PACKERS, INC.**

The undersigned subscribe to these Articles of Incorporation, being, WILLIAM PIPPIN, GARY ARMISTEAD, and TERRY J. VAUGHAN, natural persons, competent to contract, hereby desire to form a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

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**ARTICLES I - NAME**

The name of this corporation is U.S. MEAT PACKERS, INC.

**ARTICLES II - ADDRESS**

The address of the principal office of this corporation is 2220 N.W. Hail Dean Road, Arcadia, Florida 34266 and the mailing address of the corporation is 2220 N.W. Hail Dean Road, Arcadia, Florida 34266.

**ARTICLES III - NATURE OF BUSINESS**

This corporation is organized for the purpose of selling, cutting, packing meats, and for the purpose of transacting any and all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under Section 607 of the Florida Statutes.

**ARTICLES IV- CAPITAL STOCK**

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to issue at any time is: 6,000 shares of common stock having a nominal par value of \$25.00 per share.

**ARTICLES V - ADDRESS**

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 2220 N.W. Hail Dean Road, Arcadia, FL 34266. The name of the corporation's initial registered agent at this address is GARY ARMISTEAD, who has signed a statement accepting the appointment pursuant to Section 607.0502 which is filed herewith.

**ARTICLES VI - DIRECTOR (S)**

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

William Pippin	4152 Nursery Road Zolfo Springs, FL 33890
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Gary Armistead	135 N. Brevard Avenue Arcadia, FL 34266
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Terry J. Vaughan	2220 N.W. Hail Dean Road Arcadia, FL 34266
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**ARTICLES VII - INCORPORATOR(S)**

The name and street address of the incorporator(s) of this corporation:

William Pippin	4152 Nursery Road Zolfo Springs, FL 33890
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Gary Armistead

135 N. Brevard Avenue  
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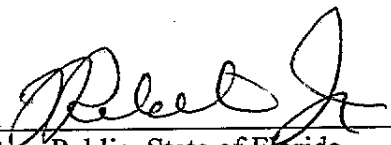
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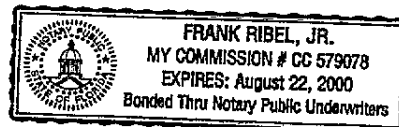
  
WILLIAM PIPPIN

STATE OF FLORIDA,  
COUNTY OF DESOTO.


BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared, WILLIAM PIPPIN,  
Personally known ☒ or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and  
who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and WILLIAM PIPPIN, executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County last aforesaid, this 2 day of  
June, 2000.

  
Notary Public, State of Florida  
at Large.  
Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



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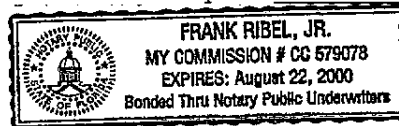
  
GARY ARMISTEAD

STATE OF FLORIDA,  
COUNTY OF DESOTO.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared, GARY ARMISTEAD,  
Personally known ☒ or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and  
who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and GARY ARMISTEAD, executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County last aforesaid, this 2 day of  
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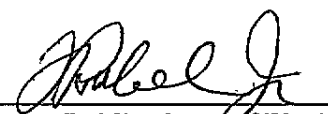


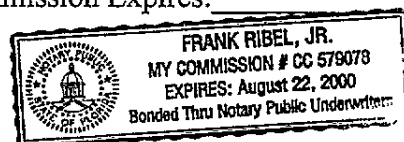
  
TERRY J. VAUGHAN

STATE OF FLORIDA,  
COUNTY OF DESOTO.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared, TERRY J. VAUGHAN,  
Personally known ☒ or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and  
who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and TERRY J. VAUGHAN, executed the  
same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County last aforesaid, this 2 day of  
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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF  
PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE  
SERVED.

Pursuant to 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

First--That U.S. Meat Packers, Inc.. desiring to organized under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at City of Arcaida, County of DeSoto, State of Florida, has named GARY ARMISTEAD., located at 135 North Brevard Avenue, Arcadia, FL 34266 as its agent to accept service of process within this state and said location shall be it's registered office.

Second--Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the 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.

  
GARY ARMISTEAD.