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September 20, 2000

Secretary of State 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Re: Southeastern Research Group, Inc.

Dear Madam/Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation and Designation of Registered Agent for the above-referenced corporation. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the filing fee (\$35.00), designation of registered agent (\$35.00), and charge for a certified copy (\$8.75).

I would appreciate your calling me at 425-5457 when the certified copy is ready, and I will arrange for someone to pick it up. Please do not hesitate to call me or Bob Pierce if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your usual assistance in these matters.

Sincerely,

Donna Marie Walters,

Legal Assistant to Robert A. Pierce

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH GROUP, INC.

The undersigned Incorporator hereby files these Articles of Incorporation in order to form a Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I. Name and Principal Office

The name of this Corporation shall be **SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH GROUP, INC.** The principal place of business and mailing address of this Corporation is 2000 Centre Point Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

ARTICLE II. Nature of Business

The Corporation may engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States of America and the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III. Stock

The authorized capital stock of this Corporation shall consist of One Thousand (1,000) shares of common stock of One Cent (\$0.01) par value shares. The stock of the Corporation shall be issued for such consideration as may be determined by the Board of Directors. Shareholders may enter into agreements with the Corporation or with each other to control or restrict the transfer of stock and such agreements may take the form of options, rights of first refusal, buy and sell agreements, or any other lawful form of agreements.

ARTICLE IV. Powers

This Corporation shall have all the corporate powers enumerated in the Florida Business Corporation Act.

ARTICLE V. Incorporator

The name and street address of the Incorporator of this Corporation are as follows:

Raleigh W. Rollins

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

ARTICLE VI. Term of Corporate Existence

This Corporation shall exist perpetually unless dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE VII. Address of Registered Office and Registered Agent

The street address of the initial Registered Office of this Corporation in the State of Florida shall be 227 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. The name of the initial Registered Agent of the Corporation at the above address shall be **Robert A. Pierce**. The Board of Directors may from time to time change the Registered Office to any other address in the State of Florida or change the Registered Agent.

ARTICLE VIII. Number of Directors

This Corporation shall have no fewer than two (2) and no more than eight (8) Directors. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the By-Laws adopted by the Shareholders.

ARTICLE IX. Initial Board of Directors

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of seven (7) persons. The name and street address of each of the members of the initial Board of Directors of this Corporation, who shall hold office until the first annual meeting of the Shareholders and thereafter until his successor is elected, are as follows:

Raleigh W. Rollins

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

David D. Miles

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Joseph L. Camps

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308 W. Paul Sawyer

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

William E. Potts

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Scott B. Sellinger

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

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ARTICLE X. Officers

The Corporation shall have a president, a secretary, and a treasurer and may have additional and assistant officers including, without limitation thereto, one or more vice-presidents, assistant secretaries, and assistant treasurers. A person may hold more than one office. The names and addresses of the initial officers are as follows:

President Raleigh W. Rollins

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Vice President W. Paul Sawyer

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Secretary/Treasurer Joseph L. Camps

2000 Centre Point Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32308

ARTICLE XI. Transactions In Which Directors Or Officers Are Interested

- A. No contract or other transaction between the Corporation and one or more of its Directors or officers or between the Corporation and any other Corporation, firm, or entity in which one or more of the Corporation's Directors or officers are Directors or officers or have a financial interest shall be void or voidable solely because of such relationship or interest or solely because such Director or Directors or officer or officers is present at or participates in the meeting of the Board of Directors or a committee thereof which authorizes, approves, or ratifies such contract or transaction or solely because his or their votes are counted for such purpose, if:
- 1. The fact of such relationship or interest is disclosed or known to the Board of Directors or the committee which authorizes, approves, or ratifies the contract or transaction by a vote or consent sufficient for the purpose without counting the votes or consents of such interested Director or Directors; or
- 2. The fact of such relationship or interest is disclosed or known to the Shareholders entitled to vote thereon and they authorize, approve, or ratify such contract or transaction by vote or written consent; or

- 3. The contract or transaction is fair and reasonable as to the Corporation at the time it is authorized by the Board of Directors, a committee thereof, or the Shareholders.
- B. Common or interested Directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee thereof which authorizes, approves, or ratifies such contract or transaction.

ARTICLE XII. Financial Information

The Corporation shall not be required to prepare and provide a balance sheet and a profit and loss statement to its Shareholders, nor shall the Corporation be required to file a balance sheet or profit and loss statement in its registered office. This provision shall be deemed to have been ratified by the Shareholders each year hereafter unless a resolution to the contrary has been adopted by the Shareholders.

ARTICLE XIII. Amendment

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in any manner now or hereafter provided for by law, and all rights conferred upon Shareholders hereunder are granted subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the original subscribing Incorporator to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, has executed these Articles of Incorporation this <u>SQ</u> day of June, 2000.

Raleigh W. Rollins Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEON

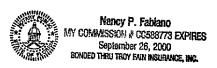
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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this <u>aa</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2000, by **Raleigh W. Rollins**. Such person: () is personally known to me; () produced a current Florida driver's license as identification.

(Notarial Seal) Signature of Notarial Seal)

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(Typed or Printed Name of Notary Public)



CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE

In compliance with Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH GROUP, INC., desiring to organize as a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, has designated 227 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, as its initial registered office and has named **Robert A. Pierce**, located at said address, as its initial Registered Agent.

Raleigh W. Rollins

Incorporator

Date: June 32, 2000 August

Having been named Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, the undersigned hereby accepts said appointment and agrees to act in this capacity. The undersigned further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of his duties and is familiar with and accepts the obligations of his position as Registered Agent.

Robert A. Pierce

Registered Agent

Date: June 1/2, 2000