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September 25, 2000

Re:

Best Marine Construction, Inc.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith please find the original and one photocopy of Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced corporation. In addition, please find enclosed herewith a check in the amount of \$78.75 for filing, certified copy and registered agent fees. Please return a certified copy of the Articles to the undersigned.

In the event of any questions or comments concerning the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

Vincent E. Crow, Sr. (w/enclosure)

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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OF

SECRETARY OF STATE BEST MARINE CONSTRUCTION, INC. ALLAMASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the provisions of Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, hereby adopts the following articles of incorporation.

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation is BEST MARINE CONSTRUCTION, INC.

## **ARTICLE II - DURATION**

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSES

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

## ARTICLE IV - PRINCIPAL OFFICE OR MAILING ADDRESS

The address of the principal office and the mailing address of this corporation are 4905 34th Street North, PMB #197, St. Petersburg, FL 33711.

#### ARTICLE V - SHARES

The number of shares this corporation is authorized to issue shall be 1,000 shares with a par value of \$1.00 per share.

#### ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office and the name of its initial registered agent at that office are 4908½ Sunrise Drive South, St. Petersburg, FL 33705, VINCENT E. CROW, SR.

## ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation are VINCENT E. CROW, SR., 4908½ Sunrise Drive South, St. Petersburg, FL 33705.

## ARTICLE VIII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The business affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than 1 member, as established by the by-laws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 25th day of September, 2000.

VINCENT E. CROW, SR

# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been appointed as the initial registered agent for BEST MARINE CONSTRUCTION, INC., as stated in the foregoing articles of incorporation, VINCENT E. CROW, SR. hereby accepts such appointment as registered agent. Such registered agent is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position as registered agent.

INCENT E. CROW, SR.

Date: 9/25/00, 2000

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