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SUBJECT: PIPER, INC...

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Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for:

\$70.00 - Filing Fee  
8.75 - Certificate of Status  
8.75 - Certified Copy  
\$87.50 - Total Check

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FROM: BRIAN PIPER

Name (Printed or typed)

6 SW 33 PLACE....

Address

CAPE CORAL, FL. 33991

City, State, Zip

Daytime Telephone Number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the Articles

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

September 21, 2000

BRIAN PIPER  
6 SW 33RD PLACE  
CAPE CORAL, FL 33991

SUBJECT: PIPER, INC.  
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We have received your document for PIPER, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

We regret that we were unable to contact you by phone. Please return the corrected document with a letter providing us with an address and telephone number where you can be reached during working hours.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**PIPER UTILITIES, INC.**

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OF FLORIDA

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, Brian Piper, being a natural person competent to contract, hereby acknowledges and files these ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida in order to form a Corporation for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE I**

**CORPORATE NAME**

The name of this Corporation is PIPER UTILITIES, INC. The principal office and mailing address of the corporation is 6 SW 33rd Place, Cape Coral, Florida 33991.

**ARTICLE II**

**DURATION**

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing upon the filing of these articles with the Florida Secretary of State.

**ARTICLE III**

**PURPOSE**

The Corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any or all lawful business.

**ARTICLE IV**

**CAPITAL STOCK**

The Corporation is authorized to issue 1000 shares of \$1.00 par value stock, which shall be designated "common shares." The stock of the Corporation is intended to qualify under the requirements of Section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code and all regulations issued thereunder. Such actions as are necessary will be taken by the officers of this Corporation in order to qualify under Section 1244. This Corporation is being capitalized and its stock is being issued to comply with the aforementioned section of the Internal Revenue Code.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 6 SW 33rd Place Cape Coral, Florida 33991, and the name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address is Brian Piper. The Director(s) of this Corporation may from time to time change the registered office or registered agent, or both, by appropriate notice to the Secretary of State.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **DIRECTORS**

The Corporation shall have not less than one Director, as provided by the By-Laws. Director(s) shall hold office for the term provided in the By-Laws or until their successor(s) have been duly elected and qualified.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The following shall constitute the initial Board of Directors of this Corporation:

**Brian Piper  
6 SW 33rd Place  
Cape Coral, Florida 33991**

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **INCORPORATORS**

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is:

**Brian Piper  
6 SW 33rd Place  
Cape Coral, Florida 33991**

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **BY-LAWS**

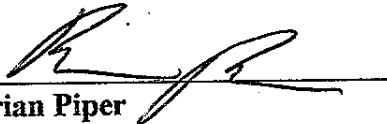
The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal By-Laws shall be vested in the Board of Directors and the Shareholders in the manner provided by the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE X

AMENDMENT

This Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, in the manner provided by the laws of the State of Florida.

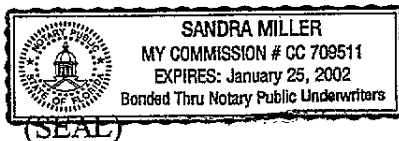
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Subscriber(s) executed these Articles of Incorporation this 29 day of September, 2000.

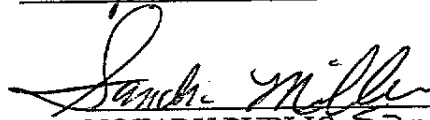
  
Brian Piper

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF COLLIER

BEFORE ME, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgments in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared Brian Piper, known to me and known by me to the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed those Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, in the State and County aforesaid, this 29th day of September, 2000.



  
NOTARY PUBLIC Sandra Miller  
State of Florida at Large

My commission expires:

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

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

That PIPER UTILITIES, INC., 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 Lee, State of  
Florida, has named Brian Piper located at 6 SW 33rd Place, Cape Coral, Florida 33991, as its  
agent to accept service of process within this State.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Having been named to accept service of process of 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.

  
Brian Piper

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