### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

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\$78.75

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SUBJECT: BED CONTRACTING, INC.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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Katherine Harris
Secretary of State

January 31, 2001

BERNADETTE D SMITH 6956 OAKWOOD STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL 32208

SUBJECT: B & D CONTRACTING, INC.

Ref. Number: W01000002365

We have received your document for B & D CONTRACTING, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 607.0802 or 617.0802, Florida Statutes, requires directors to be natural persons 18 years old or older.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6926.

Gina Bullock Document Specialist

Letter Number: 401A00005874

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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B & D Contracting, Inc.

The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of B & D Contracting, Inc., a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation shall be: B & D Contracting, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be: 6956 Oakwood Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32208. The mailing address of this corporation shall be: 6956 Oakwood Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32208.

The Board of Directors may from time to time move the principal office to any other address.

#### ARTICLE III

To engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and of this state.

To the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, and to hold, own, maintain, work, develop, sell, lease, exchange, hire, convey, mortgage or otherwise to dispose of and deal in, lands and leaseholds, and any interest, estate, and rights in real property, and any personal or mixed property, and franchises, rights, licenses or privileges necessary, convenient appropriate for any of the purposes herein expressed.

To manufacture, purchase, or otherwise acquire to dispose of, and to invest in, deal in and with, goods, wares, merchandise, real property, and services of every class, kind and description, now or hereafter permitted by law.

To conduct business in, have one or more offices in and to buy, hold, mortgage, sell, convey, lease, or otherwise to dispose of real and personal property, including franchises, patents, copyrights, trademarks, and licenses, in the State of Florida, and in all other states and countries.

To conduct debts and borrow money, issue and sell or pledge bonds, debentures, notes and other evidences of indebtedness, and to execute such mortgages, transfers of corporation indebtedness as required.

To purchase the corporate assets of any other corporation and engage in the same or other character of business.

To guarantee, endorse, purchase, hold, sell transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise acquire or dispose of the shares of the capital stock of, or any bonds, securities, or other evidences of indebtedness created by any other corporation of the State of Florida, or any other state or government, and while owner of such stock to exercise all rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote such stock.

To exercise all the powers now granted to this type of corporation under Florida law, and all powers subsequently authorized or granted by law to private corporations.

The foregoing clauses shall be construed both as objects and powers, and it is hereby expressly provided that the foregoing enumeration of specific powers shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the powers of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE IV

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is:

1,000 Shares of Common Stock of par value of \$1.00 per share.

The shareholders shall have preemptive rights.

Cumulative voting shall not be permitted.

The shareholders may, by By-law provision or by written shareholders' agreement, impose such restrictions on the sale, transfer, or encumbrance of the stock of this corporation as they may see fit.

#### ARTICLE V

The principal office shall be B & D Contracting, Inc., 6956 Oakwood Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32208, and the registered agent is Bernadette D. Smith, 6956 Oakwood Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32208.

#### ARTICLE VI

The name and addresses of the incorporators to these Articles of Incorporation:

Name

Address

Bernadette D. Smith

6956 Oakwood Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32208

Thomas G. Register, Sr.

6860 Greenland Ridge Lane, North Jacksonville, Florida 32256

Kevin T. Carter

Post Office Box 350574
Jacksonville, Florida 32235-0574

#### ARTICLE VII

The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by By-laws adopted by the Stockholders, but shall never be less than one. Initially, the number of directors shall be three(3). The directors are the incorporators listed in Article V.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The corporation shall indemnify any and all persons who may serve or who have served at any time as directors or officers, or who at the request of the Board of Directors of the corporation may serve at any time have served as directors or officers of another corporation in which the corporation at such time owned or may own share of stock or of which it was or may be a creditor, and their respective heirs, administrators, successors and assigns, against any and all expenses, including amounts paid upon judgments, counsel fees, and amounts paid in settlement (before or after suit is commenced), actually and necessarily incurred by such persons in connection with the defense or settlement of any claim, action, suit, or proceeding in which they, or any of them, are made parties, or a party, or which may be asserted against them or any of them, by reason of being or having been directors or officers or a director or officer of the corporation, or of such other corporation, except in relation to matters as to which any such director or officer or former director or officer or person shall be adjudged in any action, suit, or proceeding to be liable for his duty. Such indemnification

shall be in addition to any other rights to which those indemnified may be entitled under any law, by-law, agreement, vote of stockholders, otherwise, and the corporation shall indemnify any officer or director, or any former officer or director, to the full extent permitted by law.

#### ARTICLE IX

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the holder or holders of a majority of stock entitled to vote thereon.

refette D. Smith

Signature/Incorporator

Thomas G. Register, Sr.

President/B&E Contracting, Inc.

Kevin T. Carter

President/K T Carter Contracting, Inc.

#### ARTICLE IX

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Bernadette D. Smith

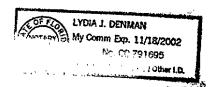
Date

Signature/Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

I hereby certify that on this day, before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared BERNADETTE D. SMITH, THOMAS B. Register, SR, Levin T. CARTER to me well known to be the persons described as the incorporators in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he subscribed to those Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State named above, this  $\frac{2J_{2}^{5T}}{2}$  day of  $\frac{J_{4NUARY}}{2}$ , A. D. 2001.



Notary Public

My commission expires:\_