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Division of Corporations
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Tallahassee, FL 32314

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SUBJECT: HICKS, DISTRIBUTING, INC.
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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

\$70.00 Filing Fee
 \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status

\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy
 \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate of Status

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
HICKS DISTRIBUTING, INC.

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ARTICLE I - NAME:

The name of this corporation is: HICKS DISTRIBUTING, INC. hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation".

ARTICLE II - DURATION:

The Corporation shall exist perpetually, commencing upon the filing of the Articles of Incorporation with the Department of State.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE:

The Corporation is organized for the purpose of engaging in the distributing of McKee products and for the purpose of transacting any or all other lawful business not inconsistent with Laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL STOCK:

The Corporation is authorized to issue 100 shares of One Dollar (\$1.00) par value common stock.

ARTICLE V - PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS:

Every shareholder, upon the issuance of any new stock of the same kind, class or series as that which he or she already holds, whether for or without consideration, including but not limited to new stock issued as compensation to directors, officers, agents or employees, of the corporation or to satisfy conversion or option rights; shall have the right to purchase his or her pro-rata share thereof (as nearly as may be done without the issuance of fractional shares) at the same price at which it is offered to others.

ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT:

The principal office and street address of the Corporation is:
520 Tom Sawyer Lane, Crestview, FL 32536 and the mailing address is:
520 Tom Sawyer Lane, Crestview, FL 32536.

The name of the Registered Agent of the Corporation is:
ROBERT ALLAN HICKS and the street office address of such
registered agent and registered office of the Corporation is:
520 Tom Sawyer Lane, Crestview, FL 32536.

ARTICLE VII - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The Corporation shall have two directors initially. The
number of directors may be either increased or decreased
from time to time by the By-Laws but shall never be less than one.
The names and addresses of the initial directors of the Corporation
are: ROBERT ALLAN HICKS, 520 Tom Sawyer Lane, Crestview, FL 32536.

AMELIA GAIL HICKS, 520 Tom Sawyer Lane, Crestview, FL 32536 .

ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR:

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is:
ROBERT ALLAN HICKS, 520 Tom Sawyer Lane, Crestview, FL 32536.

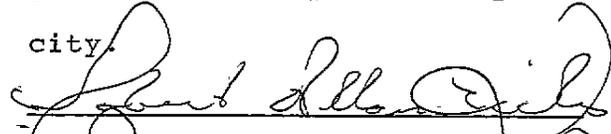
ARTICLE IX - BY-LAWS:

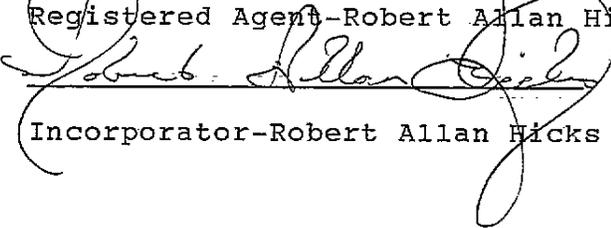
The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the By-Laws
shall be vested in the Board of Directors and the shareholders.

ARTICLE X - SECTION 1244 STOCK:

It is the intent of this Charter that the directors may
sell the capital stock of the Corporation in accordance with
the conditions of Sections 1243-1244, inclusive, of the
Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above named corporation at the place designated in these Articles, I am familiar with and accept appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.


Registered Agent-Robert Allan Hicks


Incorporator-Robert Allan Hicks

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