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March 8, 2005

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

RE: Gulfcoast Drilling, Inc.

Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Certificate of Registered Agent & Certificate of Incorporator

Gentlemen:

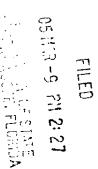
Enclosed please find one (1) original and one (1) copy of the required paperwork to incorporate a business in the State of Florida. I have also enclosed check number 3162 in the amount of \$78.75 for filing fees, registered agent designation fees and one (1) certified copy. Please process as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions, please give us a call at (727) 772-1543 or (727) 786-8264.

Thank you in advance for your time.

Stephen Bradley Nichols Incorporator

Enclosures



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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

GULFCOAST DRILLING, 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

The name of this Corporation shall be GULFCOAST DRILLING, INC.

ARTICLE II.

Address

The principal place of business, and the mailing address, of this Corporation shall be 1546 Indiana Avenue, Palm Harbor, FL. 34683.

ARTICLE III.

Corporate Purposes

The Corporation is organized for the purpose of engaging in any and all activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IV.

Term of Corporate Existence

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence unless dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE V.

Corporate Powers

This Corporation shall have and exercise all the powers accorded corporations under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE VI.

Stock

The authorized capital stock of this Corporation shall consist of 1,000 shares of Common Stock with a par value of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share. The stock of the Corporation shall be issued for such consideration as may be determined by the Board of Directors but not less than par value.

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 form of options, rights of refusal, buy and sell agreements or any other lawful form of agreements.

ARTICLE VII.

Incorporator

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

Stephen Bradley Nichols 1546 Indiana Avenue Palm Harbor, FL. 34683

ARTICLE VIII.

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 1546 Indiana Avenue, Palm Harbor, FL. 34683

The name of the initial Registered Agent of the Corporation at the above address shall be Wendy S. Nichols. 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 IX.

Board of Directors

The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by any or under the authority of, and the affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of, a Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of two persons. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time as regulated by the Bylaws.

The name and street address of each member of the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation who shall hold office until the first annual meeting of the shareholders and thereafter until his or her successor is elected and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation, removal from office, inability to act, or death, is as follows:

Stephen Bradley Nichols 1546 Indiana Avenue

Palm Harbor, FL. 34683

Wendy S. Nichols

1546 Indiana Avenue Palm Harbor, FL. 34683

ARTICLE X.

Officers

The Corporation shall have a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors at such time and in such manner as prescribed by the bylaws. The Corporation may have such other officers and assistant officers and agents as the Board of Directors may deem necessary, to be elected by the Board of Directors or chosen in such other manner as prescribed by the bylaws. A person may hold more than one office, and all of the offices may be held by the same person. The names and addresses of the initial officers are as follows:

President:

Stephen Bradley Nichols 1546 Indiana Avenue

Palm Harbor, FL. 34683

Vice-President: Wendy S. Nichols

1546 Indiana Avenue Palm Harbor, FL. 34683 Secretary:

Stephen Bradley Nichols

1546 Indiana Avenue

Palm Harbor, FL. 34683

Treasurer:

Wendy S. Nichols 1546 Indiana Avenue Palm Harbor, FL. 34683

ARTICLE XI.

Amendment

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed these Articles of Incorporation of GULFCOAST DRILLING, INC., this 7th day of March, 2005.

Stephen Bradley Nichols

Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of GULFCOAST DRILLING, INC., were acknowledged before me this _________, 2005, by Stephen Bradley Nichols, as Incorporator.

Signature of Notary Public

JUAN DE LA ESPRIELLA
Notary Public, State of Florida
My comm. expires Feb. 3, 2009
No. DD 392900

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING INCORPORATOR

Pursuant to Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, GULFCOAST DRILLING, INC., desiring to organize as a Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, has designated and named Stephen Bradley Nichols, located at 1546 Indiana Avenue, Palm Harbor, FL. 34683 as its Incorporator.

President

Having been named by the above-stated Corporation as its Incorporator to accept service of process at the location designated herein, the undersigned hereby accepts said appointment and agrees to act in this capacity, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes, and agrees to comply with the laws of Florida applicable thereto.

Stephen Bradley Nichols

Incorporator

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, GULFCOAST DRILLING, INC., desiring to organize as a Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, has designated 1546 Indiana Avenue, Palm Harbor, FL. 34683, as its initial Registered Office, and has named Wendy S. Nichols, located at said address as its initial Registered Agent.

Stephen Bradley Nichols

Incorporator

Date: 3.7 - 05

Having been named by the above-stated Corporation as its Registered Agent to accept service of process at the location designated herein, the undersigned hereby accepts said appointment and agrees to act in this capacity, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes, and agrees to comply with the laws of Florida applicable thereto.

Wendy S. Nichols Registered Agent

Date: 3-07-05