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SUBJECT: LIGHTNING RETAIL COMPANY		
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)		
Enclosed are an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:		
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

LIGHTNING RETAIL COMPANY

In compliance with Chapter 607 and/or Chapter 621, F.S. (Profit)

Articles 1 - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: LIGHTNING RETAIL COMPANY

Articles 2 - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of Business / Mailing address is:

802 E. MARTIN LUTHER KING BLVD TAMPA, FL 33603

Mailing Address:

301 W. PLATT ST, #372 **TAMPA, FL 33606**

Articles 3 - SHARE

The corporation is authorized to issue One Thousand Shares (1,000 Shares) of \$ 1.00 par value common stock, which shall be designated "common sharea"

Articles 4 - INITIAL OFFICES/DIRECTORS

The name(s) and Address(es):

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CARLOS A. PEIRATS 591 LUZON AVE TAMPA, FL 33606

Article 5 - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address Registered Agent is:

CARLOS A. PEIRATS 591 LUZON AVE **TAMPA, FL 33606**

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<u>Articles 6 – INCORPORATION</u> The name and address of the incorporator is:

CARLOS A. PEIRATS 591 LUZON AVE TAMPA, FL 33606

Articles 7 - POWER OF CORPORATION

The corporation shall have the same powers as an individual to do all things necessary or convenient to carry out its Business and Affairs, subject to the limitations or restrictions imposed by applicable law or these Articles of incorporation.

Articles 8 - TERMS OF EXISTANCE

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

Articles 9 - EFFECTIVE DATE

These articles of incorporation shall be effective upon approval of the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

Articles 10 - PURPOSE OF CORPORATION

The corporation shall engage in any activity or Business permitted under the law of the United States and of the State of Florida.

Articles 11 - BY LAWS

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

SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISION/INFORMATION

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary and unless otherwise required by state law, the sole shareholder(s) of this corporation shall be the "Franchisee(s)." For purposes of this document, "Franchisee(s)" shall mean and include (a) the original signatory(ies), as franchisee, to the 7-Eleven Store Franchise Agreement(s) ["Franchise Agreement(s)"] intended to be, or having been, assigned to this corporation; (b) anyone listed as a shareholder of this corporation who has participated in 7-Eleven, Inc.'s franchise qualification process and has been approved by 7-Eleven, Inc. as a

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shareholder of this corporation; and (c) anyone added as a franchisee by amendment to the Franchise Agreement(s); however, "Franchisee(s)" shall exclude anyone who was an original signatory or who was later added as a franchisee but who has subsequently been deleted as a franchisee by amendment to the Franchise Agreement(s). Further, each "Franchisee," during the time such person is a "Franchisee," and only while a "Franchisee," must be a shareholder of this corporation.

- a) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, this corporation is a single-purpose corporation, the single purpose being the operation of one or more 7-Eleven stores in accordance with one or more Franchise Agreements.
- b) The following restrictive legend must appear clearly and legibly on each stock certificate:

"No shares of this corporation may be issued, encumbered, assigned, held or transferred except with the prior written consent of 7-Eleven Inc., a Texas corporation, and no shares may be held by anyone other than the "Franchisee(s)," as defined in the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation. However, shares may be owned by the fiduciary of the estate of a deceased shareholder pending an approved transfer. These restrictions may not be amended, repealed or revoked except with the prior written consent of 7-Eleven Inc."

- c) These Articles of Incorporation may not be revised, amended or repealed except with the prior written consent of 7-Eleven, Inc., a Texas corporation.
- d) Both preemptive rights and cumulative voting must be prohibited.

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

Signature Registered Agent

Sidnature / Incorporator

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