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May 21, 1999

VIA FEDEX

Florida Department of State 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Surety Holdings Corp.

Dear Sir/Madam:

On behalf of Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation, enclosed please find a Certificate of Merger, whereby Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation is merged into Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$78.75, which represents the \$70.00 filing fee along with \$8.75 for a certified copy which shall be returned to our office.

Kindly provide confirmation of the filing as soon as possible.

If you require anything further, please do not hesitate to telephone me. Thank you.

Yours very truly,

VINCENT For the Firm

MSV/kr

cc: Mr. Bob Knapp

Surety Holdings Corp.

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VIA FEDEX

Florida Department of State Attn: Thelma Lewis, Corporate Specialist Supervisor 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Surety Holdings Corp.

Reference Number: P95000097535

Dear Ms. Lewis:

In response to your letter of June 1, 1999 and our telephone conference of June 7, 1999, I have modified the Certificate of Merger previously forwarded to conform to Articles of Merger pursuant to Section 607.1105 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, and have attached the fully executed Agreement of Merger as an exhibit to the Articles. An original and one copy of the revised filing are enclosed.

Please telephone me if there is anything further you require. Thank you.

Yours very truly,

For the Firm

MSV/kr

cc: Mr. Bob Knapp

Surety Holdings Corp.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Katherine Harris Secretary of State

June 1, 1999

MARK S. VINCENT, ESQ. SONNENBLICK, PARKER & SELVERS P. O. BOX 765 FREEHOLD, NJ 07728

SUBJECT: SURETY HOLDINGS CORP.

Ref. Number: P95000097535

We have received your document for SURETY HOLDINGS CORP. and check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned to you for the following reason(s):

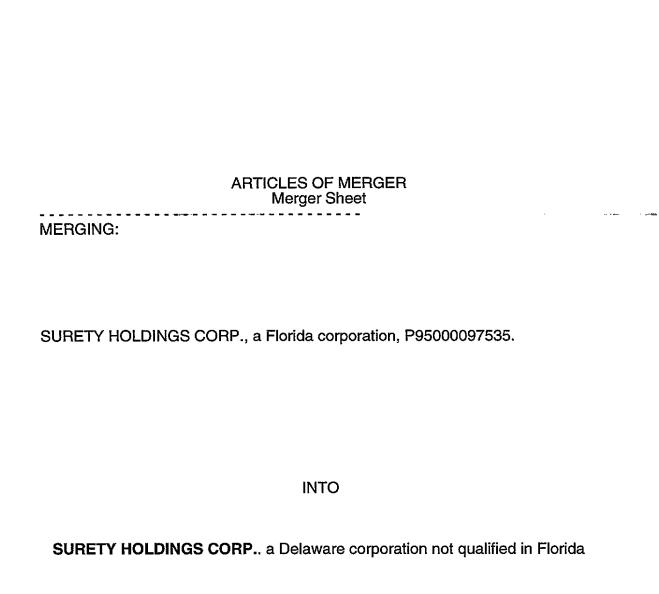
The merger submitted was prepared in compliance with section 607.1109 Florida Statutes which provides for mergers between domestic corporations and other business entities as defined in section 607.1108, Florida Statutes. Pursuant to section 607.1108(7), Florida Statutes, any merger consisting solely of the merger of one or more domestic corporations with or into one or more foreign corporations shall be consummated solely in accordance with section 607.1107, Florida Statutes. Section 607.1107, Florida Statutes then refers you to section 607.1105, Florida Statutes. Enclosed is a merger form for your convenience.

Please return 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) 487-6905.

Thelma Lewis
Corporate Specialist Supervisor

Letter Number: 399A00029800



File date: June 9, 1999

Corporate Specialist: Thelma Lewis

ARTICLES OF MERGER

OF

SURETY HOLDINGS CORP., a Florida Corporation

INTO

SURETY HOLDINGS CORP., a Delaware Corporation

Pursuant to Section 607.1105 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, the undersigned corporations, Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation and Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation,

DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That the name and state of incorporation of each of the constituent corporations of the merger is as follows:

NAME

STATE OF INCORPORATION

Surety Holdings Corp. Surety Holdings Corp. Florida Delaware

SECOND: That an Agreement of Merger between the parties to the merger has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by each of the constituent corporations in accordance with the requirements of section 252 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware and, the corresponding Section of the corporation law of Florida as applicable and approved by the shareholders of both the surviving and merging corporation, on May 20, 1999 as stated in the attached Certificates.

THIRD: That the name of the surviving corporation of the merger is Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation.

FOURTH: That the Certificate of Incorporation of Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation, which is the corporation surviving the merger, shall be the Certificate of Incorporation of the surviving corporation.

FIFTH: That the executed Agreement of Merger is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and is on file at the principal place of business of the surviving corporation, the address of which is:

55-515 Hawi Road Hawi, HI 96719

SIXTH: That a copy of the Agreement of Merger will be furnished by the surviving corporation, on request and without cost, to any stockholder of any constituent corporation.

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SEVENTH: The authorized capital stock of each foreign corporation which is a party to the merger is as follows:

Corporation	Class	Number of Shares	Par value <u>per share</u>
Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida Corporation	Common	200,000,000	.001

EIGHTH: That this Certificate of Merger shall be effective on filing.

SURETY HOLDINGS CORP., A Florida Corporation and SURETY HOLDINGS CORP., A Delaware Corporation

YOSHIHIRO KAMON, Chairman of the Board of Directors

Date: May 20, 1999

I, YOSHIHIRO KAMON, Secretary of Surety Holdings Corp., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, hereby certifies, as such Secretary, that the Agreement of Merger to which this Certificate is attached, after having been first duly signed on behalf of the said corporation and having been signed on behalf of Surety Holdings Corp., a corporation of the State of Delaware, was duly adopted pursuant to Section 607.0704 Corporation. Law of Florida by the written consent of the stockholders holding ninety (90%) percent of the shares issued and outstanding capital stock having voting power, and is the duly adopted agreement and of the said Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation.

WITNESS my hand this 20th day of May 1999.

Yoshiniro KAMON, Secretary

I, YOSHIHIRO KAMON, Secretary of Surety Holdings Corp., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, hereby certifies, that the Agreement of Merger to which this Certificate is attached, after having been first duly signed on behalf of the said corporation and having been signed on behalf of Surety Holdings Corp., a corporation of the State of Florida, was duly adopted pursuant to subsection (f) of section 251 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware without any vote of the stockholders of the surviving corporation; and no shares of the corporation were issued prior to the adoption by the Board of Directors of the surviving corporation of the resolution approving the Agreement of Merger; and that subsection (f) of section 251 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware is applicable; and that the Agreement of Merger was adopted by action of the Board of Directors of said Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation, and is the duly adopted agreement and act of the said corporation.

WITNESS my hand this 20th day of May , 1999.

YOSHIHIRO KAMON, Secretary

AGREEMENT OF MERGER

AGREEMENT OF MERGER, dated this 20th day of May , 1999, pursuant to Section 252 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware, between Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation and Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation.

WITNESSETH that:

WHEREAS, all of the constituent corporations desire to merge into a single corporation; and

NOW THEREFORE, the corporations, parties to this Agreement, in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements and provisions hereinafter contained do hereby prescribe the terms and conditions of said merger and mode of carrying the same into effect as follows:

FIRST: Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation hereby merges into itself Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation and said Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation shall be and hereby is merged into Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation, which shall be the surviving corporation.

SECOND: The Certificate of Incorporation of Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation, as heretofore amended and as in effect on the date of the merger provided for in this Agreement, shall continue in full force and effect as the "Certificate of Incorporation" of the corporation surviving this merger.

THIRD: The manner of converting the outstanding shares of the capital stock of each of the constituent corporations into the shares or other securities of the surviving corporation shall be as follows:

- (a) Each share of common stock of the merged corporation which shall be outstanding on the effective date of this merger, and all rights in respect thereof shall forthwith be changed and converted into one share of common stock of the surviving corporation.
- (b) After the effective date of this merger, each holder of an outstanding certificate representing shares of common stock of the merged corporation shall surrender the same to the surviving corporation and each such holder shall be entitled upon such surrender to receive the number of shares of common stock of the surviving corporation on the basis provided herein. Until so surrendered, the outstanding shares of the stock of the merged corporation to be converted into the stock of the surviving corporation as provided herein, may be treated by the surviving corporation for all corporation purposes as evidencing the ownership of shares of the surviving corporation as though said surrender and exchange has taken place. After the effective date of this Agreement, each registered owner of any uncertificated shares of common stock of the merged corporation shall have said

shares cancelled and said registered owner shall be entitled to the number of common shares of the surviving corporation on the basis provided herein.

FOURTH: The terms and conditions of the merger are as follows:

- (a) The bylaws of the surviving corporation as they shall exist on the effective date of this merger shall be and remain the bylaws of the surviving corporation until the same shall be altered, amended or repealed as therein provided.
- (b) The directors and officers of the surviving corporation shall continue in office until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors shall; have been elected and qualified.
- (c) This merger shall become effective upon filing of a Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of Delaware.
- (d) Upon the merger becoming effective, all the property, rights, privileges, franchises, patents, trademarks, licenses, registrations and other assets of every kind and description of the merged corporation shall be transferred to, vested in, and devolve upon, the surviving corporation without further act or deed and all property, rights, and every other interest of the surviving corporation and the merged corporation shall be as effectively the property of the surviving corporation as they were of the surviving corporation and the merged corporation respectively. The merged corporation hereby agrees from time to time, as and when requested by the surviving corporation or by its successors or assigns, to execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered all such deeds and instruments and to take or cause to be taken such further or other action as the surviving corporation may deem necessary or desirable in order to vest in and confirm to the surviving corporation title to and possession of any property of the merged corporation acquired or to be acquired by reason of or as a result of the merger herein provided for and otherwise to carry out the interest and purposes hereof and the proper officers and directors of the merged corporation and the proper officers and directors of the surviving corporation are fully authorized in the name of the merged corporation or otherwise to take any and all such action.

FIFTH: Anything herein or elsewhere to the contrary notwithstanding, this Agreement may be terminated and abandoned by the Board of Directors of any constituent corporation at any time prior to the date of filing the Agreement or Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State, provided that an amendment made subsequent to the adoption of the Agreement by the stockholders of any constituent corporation shall not (1) alter or change the amount or kind of shares, securities, cash, property and/or rights to be received in exchange for or on conversion of all or any of the shares of any class or series thereof of such constituent corporation, (2) alter or change any term of the Certificate of Incorporation of the surviving corporation to be effected by the

merger, or (3) alter or change any of the terms and conditions of the Agreement if such alteration or change would adversely affect the holders of any class or series thereof of such constituent corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Agreement, pursuant to the approval and authority duly given by resolutions adopted by their respective Boards of Directors have caused these presents to be executed by the Chairman of the Board of Directors of each party hereto as the respective act, deed and agreement of each of said corporations.

Surety Holdings Corp., a Florida corporation

Date: May 20, 1999 By

YOSHIHIRO KAMON, Chairman of the

Board of Directors

Surety Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation

Date: May 20, 1999

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Board of Directors