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·Secretary of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$122.50 along with the Articles of Incorporation for Lease American Backbone Fiber Optics, Inc. Please forward a certified copy of these Articles to the address listed above.

Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

Kind regards

DAVID R. GRACE

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Sandra B. Mortham Secretary of State

August 14, 1996

DAVID R. GRACE, ESQ. 919 S.R. 436, STE, 230 ALTAMONTE SPRINGS, FL 32714

SUBJECT: LEASE AMERICAN BACKBONE FIBER OPTICS, INC. Ref. Number: W96000016968

We have received your document for LEASE AMERICAN BACKBONE FIBER OPTICS, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The effective date is not acceptable since it is not within five working days of the date of receipt.

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 (904) 487-6924.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation, under the Florida Business Corporation Act, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Lease American Backbone Fiber Optics, Inc.

ARTICLE II

The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE III

Commencement of Corporate Existence

The corporate existence of Lease American Backbone Fiber Optics, Inc. shall commence upon the date of the subscription and acknowledgment of these Articles of Incorporation pursuant to Florida Statute.

ARTICLE IV

Purpose

The purpose or purposes for which Lease American Backbone Fiber Optics, Inc. is organized are to engage in a general business and to do everything necessary, proper, advisable, or convenient for the accomplishment of said purposes, and to do all other things incidental to them or connected with them that are not forbidden by the Florida Corporation Laws or by any other law, or by these Articles of Incorporation, and to carry out the said purposes in any state, territory, district or possession of the United States, or any foreign country, to the extent that these purposes are not forbidden by the law of the state, territory, district or possession of the United States, or by the foreign country.

ARTICLE V

Authorized Shares

- 1. The aggregate number of shares that the corporation shall have the authority to issue is 7,500 shares of capital stock with \$1.00.
- 2. Initial Issue 1,000 shares of the capital stock of the corporation shall be issued for cash at an initial price of

\$1.00.

- 3. Stated Capital. The sum of the par value of all shares of capital stock of the corporation that had been issued shall be the stated capital of the corporation at any particular time.
- 4. The shares of the corporation do not have to be divided into classes.
- 5. The corporation is not authorized to issue shares in series.

ARTICLE VI

Registered Agent

The initial street address in Florida
. 919 West S.R. 436, Suite
230, Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714, and the name of the
initial registered agent at such address is David R. Grace.

ARTICLE VII

Management of Corporation

All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of this corporation shall be managed under the director of, the shareholders of this corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

Incorporators

The name and address of the initial incorporator of Lease American Backbone Fiber Optics, Inc. is as follows:

David Waterhouse 1407 Welson Road, Orlando, Florida 32837

ARTICLE IX

Shareholder Action

Majority vote of the stockholders of the corporation shall be required for any shareholder action.

ARTICLE X

Initial Officers and Directors

The initial officers and directors of the corporation shall be as follows:

Director/President/Treasurer - J. Carmella Waterhouse

Vice President/Secretary - David Waterhouse

ARTICLE XI

Amendment of Articles Incorporation

The shareholders shall have the power to adopt, amend, alter, change, or repel the Articles Incorporation when proposed and approved at a stockholders meeting, with a vote of majority of the stockholder of the corporation.

ARTICLE XII

Preemptive Rights

Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash or any new stock of this corporation of the same kind, class, or series as that which he already holds, shall have the right to purchase his prorate a share (as nearly as may be done without issuance of fractional shares) at the price at which it is offered to others.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has made and subscribed of these Articles of Incorporation on this 30th day of August, 1996.

DAVID WATERHOUSE

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF SEMINOLE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared <u>David Waterhouse</u>, known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, who acknowledged before me that he executed the same and that an oath was/was not taken.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid this 30th day of August , 1996.

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My Commission Expires:

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Florida Driver License
Other



DESIGNATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT FOR LEASE AMERICAN BACKBONE FIBER OPTICS, INC.

In compliance with Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted

1. That Lease American Backbone Fiber Optics, Inc. desiring to organize or qualify under the Laws of the State of Florida, with its principal place of business in Orlando, Florida has named David R. Grace, 919 West S.R. 436, Suite 230, Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714 as its agent to accept service of process within Florida.

Date: 8-30-96

David Waterhouse-Incorporator

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated Corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all Statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

Date: 8/30/96

David R. Grace Registered Agent