P97000025424 31940 Clay Gully Road Myakka City, FL 34251 March 10, 1997

Corporate Records Bureau Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: RAFTER L J CATTLE CO.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed in duplicate are 1) the Articles of Incorporation for the above named corporation to be organized under the Florida Corporation Code, and 2) Acceptance by Registered Agent for that corporation. Also included is a check in the amount of \$122.50 as the required filing fee, including a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Please return a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation to the undersigned at the above return address. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James R. Feid

encl: Articles of Incorporation (2) Check # /237 for \$122.50

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

<u>OF</u>

RAFTER L J CATTLE CO.

ARTICLE 1: NAME

The name of this corporation is RAFTER L J CATTLE CO.

ARTICLE II: NATURE OF BUSINESS

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation is to manufacture, purchase, or otherwise dispose of, and to invest in, trade in, deal in and with goods, wares, merchandise, real and personal property, and services, of every class, kind and description; to engage in any other lawful business; and to do any and all acts and things necessary, convenient, expedient, ancillary or in aid to the accomplishment of the foregoing.

ARTICLE III: STOCK

The number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is one thousand (1,000) shares of common stock having no par value.

ARTICLE IV: MANAGEMENT

The business of the corporation shall be managed by the shareholders of this corporation rather than by a Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V: INCORPORATOR

The name and mailing address of the incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is:

James R. Feid, 31940 Clay Gully Road, Myakka City, Florida 34251.



ARTICLE VI: PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The address of the corporation's principal office shall be 31940 Clay Gully Road, Myakka City, Florida 34251.

ARTICLE VII: INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 31940 Clay Gully Road, Myakka City, Florida 34251, which is the same as the corporation's principal office, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is James R. Feid.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has made and subscribed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

STATE OF FLORIDA **COUNTY OF SARASOTA**

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this day, personally appeared before me, an officer duly authorized to take acknowledgments, James R. Feid, to me known to be the person described in and who signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged before me he executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State aforesaid, this /0 day

NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF FLORIDA KATHRYN KING

COMMISSION NUMBER CC581419 EXPIRES 10-23-2000

My Commission Expires: MERICAN SURETY ASSOCIATES

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ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been designated as the Registered Agent of the above named corporation to accept service of process for that corporation, at the place designated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the Florida statutory provision relative to keeping that office open.

James R. Feid Registered Agent

DIVISION OF CORPORALIUM