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Florida Department of State Secretary of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: STORAGE TANK ENVIRONMENT, INC.

To whom it may concern,

Enclosed herewith is an executed original of the Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced company, together with our check for \$122.50. Please return a certified photocopy of the Articles with the log-in stamp.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Ernest A. Seemann

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

# STORAGE TANK ENVIRONMENT, INC.

The undersigned, Ernest A. Seemann, files in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, for the purpose of forming a corporation for profit, in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation, as by law provided.

I.

#### NAME:

The name of this Corporation shall be: STORAGE TANK ENVIRONMENT, INC.

II.

#### BUSINESS: ·

The general nature of the business and business to be transacted are as follows:

To transact any and all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida of the United States.

Without in any way limiting any of the objects and powers of the Corporation, it is expressly declared and provided that the Corporation, to carry on its business, or for the purpose of accomplishing any of the objects hereinabove mentioned, shall have the power to make and perform contracts of any kind and description, to do any and all other acts and things, and to exercise any and all other powers, either as principal, agent or broker, conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon corporations formed under the laws of said State, and which now or hereafter may be authorized by law.

III.

### SHARES:

The authorized capital stock of this Corporation shall consist of 100 shares of common stock, at \$10.00 par value per share.

IV.

## **EXISTENCE:**

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

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# PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT:

The street address of the Corporation's initial principal office is 5325 Bayshore Avenue, Cape Coral, FL 33904.

The initial registered agent for the Corporation is Ernest A. Seemann, Esq., 4729 Del Prado Blvd, Cape Coral, FL 33904.

#### VI.

## **DIRECTORS:**

The Corporation shall have not less than one (1) Director, as provided by the By-Laws. Directors shall hold office for one year, or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. The initial director is:

Martha Schueler Schweinfurter Weg 3 D-60599 Frankfurt/M Germany

#### VII.

#### INCORPORATOR:

The name and address of the initial incorporator of the Corporation is as follows: Ernest A. Seemann, Esq., 4729 Del Prado Blvd., Cape Coral, FL 33904.

## VIII.

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS:**

- (a) The private property of the stockholders shall not be subject to the payment of any corporate debts to any extent whatsoever.
- (b) Subject to the provisions and conditions of this Article, the Corporation shall have full power and lawful authority to accept property, labor and services in payment for shares of its Capital stock in lieu of cash, at a just valuation to be fixed by its Board of Directors.
- (c) A director of the Corporation may transact business, borrow, lend, or otherwise deal or contract with the Corporation to the full extent and subject only to limitations and provisions of the laws of the State of Florida and the laws of the United States.
- (d) The Corporation shall indemnify each director and officer of the Corporation against all or any portion of any expenses reasonably incurred by him in connection with or

arising out of any action, suit or proceeding in which he may be involved, by reason of his being or having been an officer or director of the Corporation (whether or not he continues to be an officer or director at the time of incurring such expenses), to the full extend permitted by and subject only to the limitations and provisions of the laws of the State of Florida and laws of the United States.

SUBSCRIBED at Cape Coral, Florida, this 22nd day of May, 1997.

Ernest A. Seemann

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 22nd day of May, 1997, before me, an officer duly qualified to take acknowledgments, personally appeared ERNEST A. SEEMANN who is personally known to me, who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged before me that he executed the same.

My Commission Expires: May 1, 1999

PETRA RUDAT
Notary Public, State of Florida
My Comm. expires May 01, 1999
No. CC457704
Bonded Thru Official Natury Service
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Notary Public, State of Florida Commission No.: CC457704

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#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated Corporation at the place designated within the Certificate, the undersigned hereby accepts to act in this capacity and agrees to comply with the provisions of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes.

Ernest A. Seemani