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Florida Dept. of State Division of Corporations 409 E. Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: W. C. Higgins, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed herein please find original and copy of Articles of Incorporation for W. C. Higgins, Inc. for filing. Also enclosed is my check in the amount of \$70.00 to cover costs. I would request that you please return the enclosed copy of Articles to me indicating the date of filing.

Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

ROXANNE BARTZ

Legal Assistant

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

#### W. C. HIGGINS, INC.

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#### ARTICLE I. - NAME

The name of this corporation is W. C. HIGGINS, INC.

#### ARTICLE II. - PURPOSE

This corporation is organized for the purposes of engaging in any and all lawful business permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE III. - STOCK

This corporation is authorized to issue One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) shares of One Dollar (\$1.00) par value common stock.

#### ARTICLE IV. - EXISTENCE & COMMENCEMENT

This corporation shall have perpetual existence and its existence shall commence upon the filing of these Articles.

#### ARTICLE V. - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The street address of the principal office is 2597 Ridge Lane, Palm Harbor, Florida 34684.

#### ARTICLE VI. - REGISTERED AGENT & ADDRESS

The name and address of the initial registered agent of this corporation is William J. Higgins, Sr., 2597 Ridge Lane, Palm Harbor, Florida 34684.

#### ARTICLE VII. - DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have two (2) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than one. The names and addresses of the initial directors of this corporation are:

William J. Higgins, Sr., 2597 Ridge Lane, Palm Harbor, Florida 34684 Carol S. Higgins, 2597 Ridge Lane, Palm Harbor, Florida 34684

ARTICLE VIII. - INDEMNITY OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

The corporation shall indemnify any officer or director to the full extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE IX. - INCORPORATOR(S)

The names and street addresses of the incorporator(s) signing these Articles are as follows:

William J. Higgins, Sr., 2597 Ridge Lane, Palm Harbor, Florida 34684

William J. Miggins dr. WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, SR.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, having been named as registered agent in these articles of incorporation and to accept service of process for the above corporation at the place designated in these articles of incorporation, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, SR. as Registered Agent

### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PASCO

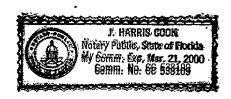
The foregoing instrument, Articles of Incorporation, was acknowledged before me this day of <u>Mounter</u>, 1997, by William J. Higgins, Sr., who is personally known to me, or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC: Roxanne Bartz

(Print, type or stamp name of Notary) (Commission Number and Expiration Date)

THIS INSTRUMENT PREPARED BY:
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