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August 16, 2001

Florida Department of State Via Hand Delivery

RE: Annual Reports

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find with this letter our annual report for 2001 and a check in the amount of \$300.00 which represents our annual filing fee for both 2000 and 2001.

We respectfully request that you remove any late penalties and interest charges for the delinquency of these reports. I recently became an officer of this corporation and needed its federal ID number and, not having it handy, looked it up on your website. It was in this process that I noted the corporation had been administratively dissolved.

After reviewing our records and finding no record of us paying our annual fee for either of the past two years, I immediately called your office. Our account was reviewed by your office and the records indicate the past two annual mailouts were returned to your office by the US Postal Service. Had we received these reminders, I am certain we would have filed our reports and paid our fees timely. I was further instructed by your office to bring a check for \$300.00 along with a completed 2001 report and a letter stating the facts and circumstances and we could be reinstated and any late filing or paying assessments would be waived.

My review of the previous filing shows the mailing address and the physical address were the same. We in fact have a PO Box for our mailing address and the new report changes the mailing address to the correct one. Hopefully, this measure will correct any future problems and we will be able to stay in compliance with the statutory requirements.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

/Jeff Bedenbaugh

Vice President, Chief Financial Officer