**CORPORATE** 1116-D Thomasville Road . Mount Vernon Square . Tallahassee, Florida 32303 ACCESS, P.O. Box 37066 (32315-7066) ~ (904) 222-2666 or (800) 969-1666. Fax (904) 222-1666 INC. CERTIFIED COPY (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) 3736-----01013--020 (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) \*\*\*\*\*70.00 \*\*\*\*\*70.00 (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) Ш (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) 8.) (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) QIVIS: NO OF CURPORA 9.) (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) 10.) (CORPORATE NAME & DOCUMENT #) P.Hall SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS\_\_\_

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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**OF** 

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

# PROMEDCO OF PINELLAS/PASCO, INC.

The undersigned natural person of the age of eighteen years or more, acting as incorporator of a corporation under the Florida 1989 Business Corporation Act, as amended, (the "Florida Act") hereby adopts the following charter for such corporation:

## ARTICLE ONE

The name of the Corporation is ProMedCo of Pinellas/Pasco, Inc.

#### ARTICLE TWO

The period of its duration is perpetual.

## ARTICLE THREE

The corporation is for profit.

## ARTICLE FOUR

The purpose for which the Corporation is organized is to engage in the transaction of any or all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Florida Act.

## ARTICLE FIVE

The aggregate number of shares which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is One Thousand (1,000) shares common stock with a par value of \$.01 per share.

#### ARTICLE SIX

The street address of its initial registered office is 1201 Hays Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301 and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is Corporation Service Company.

## ARTICLE SEVEN

The complete address of the corporation's principal office is 801 Cherry Street, Suite 1450, Fort Worth, Texas 76102.

#### ARTICLE EIGHT

Election of the Directors need not be by written ballot unless the Bylaws of the corporation shall so provide.

## ARTICLE NINE

The name and address of the incorporator is:

John E. Gillmor 414 Union Street Suite 1600 Nashville, TN 37219

## ARTICLE TEN

To the fullest extent permitted by Florida law, a director of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 607.0831 of the Florida Act, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derives an improper personal benefit. If the Florida Act is amended hereafter to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Florida Act, as so amended.

Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph by the stockholders of the Corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification.

## ARTICLE ELEVEN

A. Rights to Indemnification. Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she, or a person of whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director or officer of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan (hereinafter an "indemnitee"), whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director or officer or in any other capacity while serving as a director or officer, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the Florida Act as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than permitted prior thereto),

against all expense, liability and loss (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) incurred or suffered by such indemnitee in connection therewith and such indemnification shall continue with respect to an indemnitee who has ceased to be a director or officer and shall inure to the benefit of the indemnitee's heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that except as provided in paragraph (B) of this Article Eleven with respect to proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify any such indemnitee in connection with a proceeding initiated by such indemnitee only if such proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this Article Eleven shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition (hereinafter an "advancement of expenses"); provided, however, that, if the Florida Act requires, an advancement of expenses incurred by an indemnitee shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking (hereinafter an "undertaking"), by or on behalf of such indemnitee, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined by final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal (hereinafter a "final adjudication") that such indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified for such expenses under this Article Eleven or otherwise.

B. Right of Indemnitee to Bring Suit. If a claim under paragraph (A) of this Article Eleven is not paid in full by the Corporation within sixty days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation (except in the case of a claim for an advancement of expenses, in which case the applicable period shall be twenty days), the indemnitee may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim. If successful in whole or in part in any such suit, the indemnitee shall also be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting or defending such suit. In (i) any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification hereunder (but not a suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to an advancement of expenses) it shall be a defense that, and (ii) in any suit by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Corporation shall be entitled to recover such expenses upon a final adjudication that, the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Florida Act. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such suit that indemnification of the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Florida Act, nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) that the indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, in the case of such a suit brought by the indemnitee, shall be a defense to such suit. In any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification or to an advancement of expenses hereunder or by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the burden of proving that the indemnitee is not entitled under this Article Eleven or otherwise to be indemnified, or to such advancement of expenses, shall be on the Corporation.

- C. <u>Non-Exclusivity of Rights</u>. The rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses conferred in this Article Eleven shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under these Articles of Incorporation or any Bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.
- D. Insurance. The Corporation may maintain insurance, at its expense, to protect itself and any indemnitee against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the Florida Act.
- E. Indemnity of Employees and Agents of the Corporation. The Corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors, grant rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to any employee or agent of the Corporation to the fullest extent of the provisions of this Article Eleven or as otherwise permitted under the Florida Act with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of directors and officers of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE TWELVE

The Bylaws of the Corporation may be altered, amended or repealed or new Bylaws may be adopted by the board of directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this 10th day of August, 1998.

John E. Gillmor, Incorporator

414 Union Street Suite 1600

Nashville, TN 37219

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

# ACCEPTANCE OF AGENT

**FOR** 

ProMedCo of Pinellas/Pasco, Inc.

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated 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.

Corporation Service Company

Bv.

Date: August 10,199