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By Federal Express

Corporation Service Company
1201 Hays Street
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Attention: Corporate Filing Department

Re: Application for Reinstatement; Hardwick Land Co.

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

We need you to take special care with the enclosed Application for Reinstatement.

First, according to the Secretary of State, there is a basis for requesting waiver of the reinstatement fee. The reason for this is that Hardwick Land sent a check for \$150.00 and the 2000 Annual Report in a timely manner, but the Secretary of State cannot find the 2000 Annual Report. The Secretary of State has a record of receiving the \$150.00 payment, however.

Accordingly, please give this letter to the Secretary of State as our request for a waiver of the \$600.00 reinstatement fee.

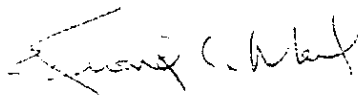
If the Secretary of State agrees to waive the fee, then the total amount required to file this Application for Reinstatement and to obtain a Certificate of Status is \$308.75. There are three checks enclosed. One for \$300.00, one for \$8.75 and one for \$600.00.

If the waiver is approved, please return the \$600.00 check. If the waiver is not approved, please use the \$600.00 check along with the other checks to have this corporation reinstated.

Finally, please ask the Secretary of State to accept this letter as a request for refund of the \$150.00 paid previously but not credited toward the 2000 Annual Report.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

cc: Mr. James O. Hardwick