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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

 $\underline{\mathsf{OF}}$

EFFICIENCY ENGINEERING, INC.

IN THE OFFICES OF THE JUDGE OF PROBATE OF SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA

The undersigned, being over the age of nineteen (19) years, desiring to become a body corporate under the laws of the State of Alabama for the purpose of carrying on the business hereinafter stated and set forth, does hereby make and file with Your Honor, as Judge of said Court, these Articles of Incorporation, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of Alabama (specifically, under the Alabama Business Corporation Act, Acts 1980, No. 80-633, H. 81, 1980, Regular Session, Acts of 1980, Page 1094, et seq.), and I hereby declare as follows:

- l. The name of the corporation is: EFFICIENCY ENGINEERING, INC.
- 2. The period of duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.
- The purposes for which the corporation is organized 3. are:

- (a) To include the transaction of any or all business for which corporations may be incorporated under Ala. Code § 10-2A-1, et seq. (Repl. Vol. 1980).
- (b) To endorse, guarantee, become a surety with respect to, or otherwise obligate itself for, or without becoming liable therefor, nevertheless, to pledge or mortgage, all or any part of its properties to secure the payment of the principal of, and interest on, or either thereof, any agreement, note, debenture, scrip, coupons, contracts, or any other obligations or evidences of indebtedness, or the performance of any contract or other obligation of any other person, firm, or corporation, in which this corporation may have a lawful interest, or on account of, or with respect to, any transaction in which this corporation shall receive any lawful consideration, advantage, or benefit, on any account whatsoever. Irrespective of any other profit consideration, if any, and irrespective of the relative net worth of such a person, firm, or corporation involved, and of the relative amounts of obligations involved, this corporation shall be deemed to have a lawful interest in any person, firm, or corporation (1) in whom or in which this corporation owns stock, or (2) who or which owns stock in this corporation, or (3) who or which owns stock in another corporation which owns stock in this corporation, or (4) in whom or in which another corporation owns stock which also owns stock in this corporation, or (5) in whom or in which any one or more persons who own stock in this corporation also own stock, or (6) who or which has entered into any contractual arrangement pursuant to which any such corporation or person undertakes corresponding or like obligations of endorsement, guaranty, suretyship, or other obligation, with respect to all or any such obligations or evidences of indebtedness, or contracts of this corporation, or which may engage with this corporation in the use of common facilities or services.
- 4. The aggregate number of shares which the corporation shall have authority to issue is two thousand (2,000), all of said shares to be common stock, par value One Dollar (\$1.00) per share.

5. The corporation shall have one class of stock, which is common stock.

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- 6. (a) The board of directors may adopt, by resolution, a procedure whereby a shareholder of the corporation may certify in writing to the corporation that all or a portion of the shares registered in the name of such shareholder is held for the account of a specified person or persons.
- (b) The corporation may purchase its own shares, directly or indirectly, to the extent of unreserved and unrestricted capital surplus available therefor.
- (c) The number of directors may be increased or decreased by resolution adopted by a majority of the directors, but no decrease shall have the effect of shortening the term of any incumbent director.
- majority of the full board of directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the full board of directors, may designate from among its members one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more of the directors, and each of which committees, to the extent provided in such resolution, shall have and may exercise all the authority of the board of directors, except that no such committee shall have the authority of the board of directors in reference to the declaring of a dividend or distribution from capital surplus, issuing capital stock, amending the articles of incorporation, adopting a plan of merger or consolidation, recommending to shareholders the sale, lease, mortgage, exchange, or other disposition of all, or substantially

- (e) The board of directors of the corporation may, from time to time, distribute to its shareholders out of capital surplus of the corporation a portion of its assets, in cash or property, subject to the following provision:
 - (1) No such distribution shall be made at a time when the corporation is insolvent or when such distribution would render the corporation insolvent;
 - (2) No such distribution shall be made to the holders of any class of shares unless all cumulative dividends accrued on all preferred or special classes of shares entitled to preferential dividends shall have been fully paid;

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- (3) No such distribution shall be made to the holders of any class of shares which would reduce the remaining net assets of the corporation below the aggregate preferential amount payable in event of involuntary liquidation to the holders of shares having preferential rights to the assets of the corporation in the event of liquidation; and
- (4) Each such distribution, when made, shall be identified as a distribution from capital surplus and the amount per share disclosed to the shareholders receiving the same concurrently with the distribution thereof.
- 7. The location and mailing address of the initial registered office, and the name of the initial registered agent at such address of the corporation is: w. L. whitten, 375 Deer Mountain Circle, Helena, Alabama 35080.

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8. The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors is one (1), and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of shareholders, or until their successors be elected and qualified, are:

NAME

ADDRESS

W. L. Whitten

375 Deer Mountain Circle Helena, Alabama 35080

9. The name and address of the incorporator is:

NAME

ADDRESS

W. L. Whitten

375 Deer Mountain Circle Helena, Alabama 35080

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has hereunto subscribed his signature to these Articles of Incorporation on this the and day of leastern, 1988.

W. L. WHITTEN



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STATE OF ALABAMA

I, Glen Browder, Secretary of State, of the State of Alabama, having custody of the Great and Principal Seal of said State, do hereby certify that

	pursuar	nt to the provisions of Section 10-2A-26, Code of Alabama 19	75, the corporate			
	name	Efficiency Engineering, Inc.	is reserved			
as available based only upon an examination of the corporation records on file						
	this of	ffice for the exclusive use of <u>Efficiency Engineering, I</u>	nc.			
	for a p	period of one hundred twenty days from this date. In the cas	se of a domestic			
α	corpora	ation, the name of the county in which the corporation was or	r is proposed to			
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7	_	ation for reservation of corporate name, the Secretary of Sta	ate's office does			
	-	sume any responsibility for the availability of the corporate	e name requested			
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In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State, at the Capitol, in the City of Montgomery, on this day.

August 10, 1988 - expires 12-9-88

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Glen Browder

Secretary of State

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

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Efficiency E	ngineering, Inc.		
The undersigned, as J	udge of Probate of	Shelby	
State of Alabama, hereby o	certifies that duplicate or	iginals of Articles of Inc	corporation for the
incorporation ofEffic	iency Engineering,	Inc.	, duly
signed pursuant to the pr	ovisions of the Alabam	a Business Corporatio	n Act, have been
received in this office and	are found to conform to]	law.	
ACCORDINGLY the u	ndersigned, as such Judg	ge of Probate, and by vir	tue of the authority
vested in him by law, here	by issues this Certificate	of Incorporation of	
Efficiency E	ngineering, Inc.	· ·· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	, and attaches
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