# ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF GRANT MARKETING ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

#### TO THE JUDGE OF PROBATE OF SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA:

The undersigned Carl E. Grant, Judith Ann Grant and Gerald Lee Grant, adopt the following Articles of Organization for the purpose of forming a limited liability company under the provisions of Act No. 93-724 of the 1993 Alabama Legislature and known as the Alabama Limited Liability Company Act (the "Act"):

#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the limited liability company, referred to in these Articles as "Company," is "Grant Marketing Associates, L.L.C."

# ARTICLE II DURATION

The period of duration of the Company shall be ninety-nine (99) years.

### ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purposes for which the Company is organized are to own and operate a manufacturers' representative business, and to conduct such other lawful business for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Act.

The foregoing paragraph of this Article III, and each phrase thereof, shall be construed, in their broadest sense, as purposes and powers of the Company in addition to those powers specifically conferred upon the Company by law, and it is hereby expressly provided that the foregoing specific enumeration of purposes and powers shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the powers of the Company otherwise granted by law.

#### ARTICLE IV REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name of the Company's initial registered agent in Alabama is Carl E. Grant. The address and location of the Company's registered office in Alabama, and the address of the said agent, is 337 Business Circle (Suite C), Pelham, Alabama 35124.

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#### ARTICLE V INITIAL MEMBERS

The names and mailing addresses of the initial members of the Company are:

Carl E. Grant 337 Business Circle (Suite C) Pelham, Alabama 35242

Judith Ann Grant 337 Business Circle (Suite C) Pelham, Alabama 35242

Gerald Lee Grant 337 Business Circle (Suite C) Pelham, Alabama 35242

#### ARTICLE VI NEW MEMBERS

Additional members may be admitted as provided in the Operating Agreement.

#### ARTICLE VII DISSOLUTION

The Company may be dissolved at any time upon the action of its members.

# ARTICLE VIII INITIAL MANAGERS

The initial managers of the Company shall be all of its members.

### ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

The Company shall have all the powers of a limited liability company that are set out in the Act. The members have executed an operating agreement which shall govern the operation of the Company.

The Company shall be treated as a partnership for purposes of federal and state income tax and for other State of Alabama Department of Revenue applications.

IN WITNESS WHER in accordance with the Ala executed these Articles of 6	EOF, for the purpose of forming this limited liability company abama Limited Liability Company Act, the undersigned have Organization as of the//2 day of, 1999.
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	Carl E. Grant
	Judith Ann Grant
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**Gerald Lee Grant** 

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