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Name RHONE MERIEUX, INC.

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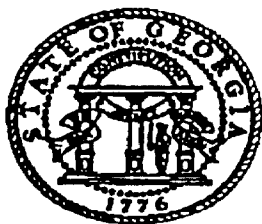
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I, Lewis A. Massey, the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that

Effective October 16, 1997, RHONE MERIEUX, INC., a Georgia corporation, filed articles of amendment changing the name of the corporation to MEXIAL, INC.

This certificate is issued pursuant to Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and is prima-facie evidence of the existence or nonexistence of the facts stated within.



Lewis A. Massey

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