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To the Honorable Commissioner of

1. Name of conveying party(ies):  
**Hilleshog Mono-Hy Inc.**  
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Individual(s)       Association  
 General Partnership       Limited Partnership  
 Corporation-State        
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?  Yes  No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):  
 Name: **Novartis Seeds, Inc.**  
 Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: **7500 Olson Memorial Highway**  
 City: **Golden Valley** State: **MN** Zip: **55427**

Individual(s) citizenship \_\_\_\_\_  
 Association \_\_\_\_\_  
 General Partnership \_\_\_\_\_  
 Limited Partnership \_\_\_\_\_  
 Corporation-State: **Delaware**  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Nature of conveyance:  
 Assignment       Merger  
 Security Agreement       Change of Name  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Execution Date: **July 1, 1997**

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):  
 A. Trademark Application No.(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 B. Trademark Registration No.(s) **1605840**

Additional numbers attached?  Yes  No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:  
 Name: **Barry A. Solomon**  
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6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: **1**

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) .....\$ **40.00**  
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9. Statement and signature. *To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*  
**Barry A. Solomon** \_\_\_\_\_ **June 29, 2000**  
 Name of Person Signing      Signature      Date

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**CERTIFICATE OF MERGER  
OF  
HILLESHÖG MONO-HY INC.  
INTO  
NOVARTIS SEEDS, INC.**

The undersigned corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of Delaware,

**DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:**

**FIRST:** That the name and state of incorporation of each on the constituent corporations of the merger is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF INCORPORATION</u>
Novartis Seeds, Inc.	Delaware
Hilleshög Mono-Hy Inc.	Delaware

**SECOND:** That an Agreement and Plan of Merger between the parties to the merger has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by each of the constituent corporations in accordance with the requirements of section 251 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware

**THIRD:** That the name of the surviving corporation is Novartis Seeds, Inc.

**FOURTH:** That the Certificate of Incorporation of Novartis Seeds, Inc., a Delaware corporation which will survive the merger, shall be the Certificate of Incorporation of the surviving corporation.

**FIFTH:** That the executed Agreement and Plan of Merger is on file at the principal place of business of the surviving corporation, the address of which is 7500 Olson Memorial Highway, Golden Valley, MN 55427.

**SIXTH:** That a copy of the Agreement and Plan of Merger will be furnished by the surviving corporation, on request and without cost, to any stockholder of any constituent corporation.

**SEVENTH:** That this Certificate of Merger shall be effective on July 1, 1997.

Dated June 23, 1997

NOVARTIS SEEDS, INC.

By: Edward C. Resler  
Name: Edward C. Resler  
Title: Vice President & General Counsel

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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER, WHICH MERGES:

"HILLESHOG MONO-HY INC.", A DELAWARE CORPORATION,  
WITH AND INTO "NOVARTIS SEEDS, INC." UNDER THE NAME OF "NOVARTIS SEEDS, INC.", A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 1997, AT 9:01 O'CLOCK A.M.

A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS FOR RECORDING.



*Edward J. Freel*  
Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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