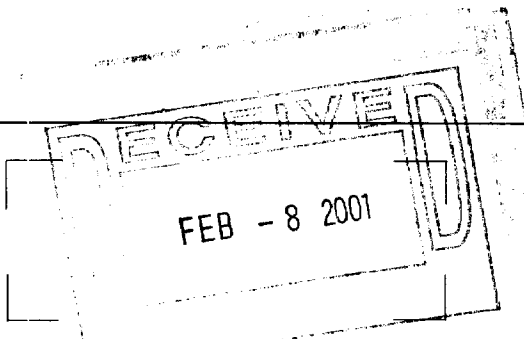


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Name Republic Engineered Steels, Inc.

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Composed of \_\_\_\_\_

Address (line 1) 3770 Embassy Parkway

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City

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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:

"REPUBLIC ENGINEERED STEELS, INC.", A DELAWARE CORPORATION, WITH AND INTO "REPUBLIC TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL, LLC" UNDER THE NAME OF "REPUBLIC TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL, LLC", A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF AUGUST, A.D. 1999, AT 11:47 O'CLOCK A.M.

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



*Edward J. Freel*

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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**CERTIFICATE OF MERGER**

**OF**

**REPUBLIC ENGINEERED STEELS, INC.**

**WITH AND INTO**

**REPUBLIC TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL, LLC**

Pursuant to Section 18-209 of the  
Delaware Limited Liability Company Act

The undersigned limited liability company organized and existing under and by virtue of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act of the State of Delaware,

**DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:**

**FIRST:** That the name and state of formation of each of the constituent entities to the merger are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>State of Formation</u>
Republic Technologies International, LLC (the "Company")	Delaware
Republic Engineered Steels, Inc. ("RESI")	Delaware


**SECOND:** That the RESI Merger Agreement, dated as of August 13, 1999, among the Company, RESI and RES Holding Corporation ("RES Holding"), a Delaware corporation of which RESI is a wholly-owned subsidiary (the "Merger Agreement"), has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by the Company in accordance with the requirements of Section 18-209 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act and by RESI in accordance with the requirements of Section 264 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"). In the case of RESI, the Merger Agreement was adopted by the written consent of sole stockholder of RESI in accordance with Section 228 of the DGCL.

THIRD: That the name of the surviving company of the merger is Republic Technologies International, LLC.

FOURTH: That the executed Merger Agreement is on file at the principal place of business of the surviving company. The address of the principal place of business of the surviving company is 3770 Embassy Parkway, Akron, Ohio 44333-8367.

FIFTH: That a copy of the Merger Agreement will be furnished by the surviving company, on request and without cost, to any member of the Company or any person holding an interest in RESI.

Republic Technologies International, LLC

By:   
Name: Joseph F. Lapinsky  
Title: President and Chief Operating Officer

**RESI MERGER AGREEMENT**

MERGER AGREEMENT (the "**Agreement**"), dated as of August 13, 1999, among RES Holding Corporation ("**RES Holding**"), Republic Engineered Steels, Inc. a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of RES Holding ("**RESI**"), and Republic Technologies International, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company of which RESI is the sole member ("**RTI Opco**").

**BACKGROUND**

Republic Technologies International, Inc., formerly named Bar Technologies Inc., RES Holding, RESI, Republic Technologies International Holdings, LLC, RTI Opco, Blackstone Capital Partners II Merchant Banking Fund L.P., Blackstone Offshore Capital Partners II L.P., Blackstone Family Investment Partnership II L.P., The Veritas Capital Fund, L.P., HVR Holdings, L.L.C., USX Corporation, Kobe Steel, Ltd., USS Lorain Holding Company, Inc., Kobe/Lorain Inc, USX RTI Holdings, Inc., Kobe Delaware Inc., Kobe RTI Holdings, Inc., Lorain Tubular Company, LLC and USS/Kobe Steel Company have entered into the Master Restructuring Agreement (the "**Master Restructuring Agreement**"), as of the date hereof, which provides for, among other things, the merger of RESI with and into RTI Opco (the "**RESI Merger**").

Pursuant thereto, (i) the respective Boards of Directors of RES Holding and RESI, (ii) RES Holding, as the sole stockholder of RESI, and (iii) RESI as the sole member of RTI Opco, have approved the RESI Merger, upon the terms set forth in this Agreement.

This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions upon which the parties hereto agree to consummate the RESI Merger.

**SECTION 1****THE RESI MERGER**

**1.1 The RESI Merger.** At the Effective Time (as defined in Section 1.2 hereof), in accordance with this Agreement, the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "**DGCL**") and the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (the "**DLLCA**"), RESI will be merged with and into RTI Opco, the separate existence of RESI will cease (except as may be continued by operation of law), and RTI Opco will continue as the surviving company (the "**Surviving Company**"). From and after the Effective Time, the Surviving Company will possess all the rights, privileges, powers and franchises, of a public as well as a private nature, and shall be

subject to all debts, liabilities and duties, of RESI and RTI Opco all with the effect set forth in the DGCL and the DLLCA.

1.2 Closing. (a) Unless this Agreement shall have been terminated and the transactions herein contemplated shall have been abandoned pursuant to the provisions of Article III hereof, the closing (the "Closing") of the RESI Merger shall take place at the offices of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, 425 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017 simultaneously with the closing of the Master Restructuring Agreement (such date and time of the Closing being hereinafter referred to as the "Closing Date").

(b) Concurrently with the Closing the parties hereto will cause the RESI Merger to be consummated by executing and delivering to the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware the certificate of merger in the form attached as Exhibit A hereto (the "Certificate of Merger"), and will make all other filings or recordings as may be required under the DGCL and the DLLCA in connection with the RESI Merger. The RESI Merger will become effective (the "Effective Time") upon the filing of the Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

1.3 Certificate: Limited Liability Company Agreement: Officers: Name. The Certificate of Formation and the Limited Liability Company Agreement of RTI Opco as in effect immediately prior to the Effective Time will be the Certificate of Formation and the Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Surviving Company, until thereafter amended as provided therein and under the DLLCA. The officers of RTI Opco immediately prior to the Effective Time will be the officers of the Surviving Company until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The name of the Surviving Company will be "Republic Technologies International, LLC".

## SECTION 2

### STATUS AND CONVERSION OF SHARES AND PAYMENT THEREFOR

2.1 Conversion of Shares. All of the shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of RESI issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (the "RESI Stock") will by virtue of the RESI Merger and without any action on the part of the holder thereof be converted into and thereafter evidence one duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable unit representing a 100% membership interest in the Surviving Company (the foregoing, the "RESI Merger Consideration").

2.2 Surrender of Certificates and Payment Therefor. Upon the surrender by RES Holding (the "RESI Stockholder") of the certificate(s) representing the RESI Stock to the Surviving Company at the Closing, immediately following the occurrence of the Effective Time, the Surviving Company will, in exchange for such certificate(s), reflect the issuance of the RESI Merger Consideration to the RESI Stockholder on Schedule A to the Limited Liability



Company Agreement of the Surviving Company. Until so surrendered and reflected, the certificate(s) representing RESI Stock shall represent solely the right to receive the RESI Merger Consideration, and the holder of such certificate(s) previously evidencing shares of RESI Stock outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time will cease to have any rights with respect to the RESI Stock, except as otherwise provided herein or by law.

**2.3 Taking of Necessary Action.** At any time after the date hereof, the parties hereto agree to cooperate with each other in reasonable respects to execute and deliver such other documents, instruments of transfer or assignment, files, books and records and do all such further acts and things as are necessary to carry out the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

### SECTION 3

#### TERMINATION, AMENDMENT AND WAIVER

**3.1 Termination.** This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing Date by mutual consent of each of the parties hereto.

**3.2 Amendment.** This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, but may not be amended except by an instrument or instruments in writing signed and delivered on behalf of each of the parties hereto.

**3.3 Extension; Waiver.** At any time prior to the Closing Date, any party hereto which is entitled to the benefits hereof may (a) extend the time for the performance of any of the obligations or other acts of any of the other parties hereto or (b) waive compliance with any of the agreements of any of the other parties hereto. Any agreement on the part of a party hereto to any extension or waiver shall be valid if set forth in an instrument in writing signed and delivered on behalf of such party.

### SECTION 4

#### OTHER PROVISIONS

**4.1 Successors and Assigns.** This Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

**4.2 Governing Law.** This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the State of Delaware.

**4.3 Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, all of which will be considered one and the same agreement and will become

effective when two or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other parties, it being understood that all parties need not sign the same counterpart.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be signed by their respective officers or authorized persons thereunto duly authorized, all as of the date first written above.

REPUBLIC TECHNOLOGIES  
INTERNATIONAL, LLC

By: *John B. George*  
Name: John B. George  
Title: Vice President of Finance,  
Treasurer and Secretary  
RES HOLDING CORPORATION

By: *David S. Blitzer*  
Name: David S. Blitzer  
Title: Secretary

REPUBLIC ENGINEERED STEELS, INC.

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