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### TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

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SUBMISSION TYPE: NEW ASSIGNMENT

NATURE OF CONVEYANCE: MERGER

#### **CONVEYING PARTY DATA**

Name	Formerly	Execution Date	Entity Type
Cooperative Milling, Inc.		106/30/2004	Agricultural Cooperative Corporation: PENNSYLVANIA

#### **RECEIVING PARTY DATA**

Name:	Southern States Cooperative, Incorporated	
Street Address:	P.O. Box 26234	
City:	Richmond	
State/Country:	VIRGINIA	
Postal Code:	23260-6234	
Entity Type:	Agricultural Cooperative Corporation: VIRGINIA	

### PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 4

Property Type	Number	Word Mark	
Serial Number:	78437937	COOPERATIVE MILLING	
Serial Number:	78437946	COOPERATIVE MILLING	
Serial Number:	78437915	CM COOPERATIVE MILLING	
Serial Number:	78437920	CM COOPERATIVE MILLING	

### **CORRESPONDENCE DATA**

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NAME OF SUBMITTER: Robert L. Brooke

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Name	Registered Office Address	Commerc	cial Registered Office I	Provider	County
Cooperative Milling,	1892 York Rd.	32225	/-		
Inc.	Gettysburg PA	17325	N/A		Adams
4. Check, and if	appropriate complete, one of	the following:			
X The plan of	merger shall be effective upor	n filing these Ar	ticles/Certificate of Mo	erger in the De	epartment of State.
The plan of	merger shall be effective on:	Date	at		
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5. The manner i	n which the plan of merger wa	as adopted by ea	ch domestic corporation	on/limited part	nership is as follows:
Name			Manner of Adoption		
Cooperative	Milling, Inc Adopted \$1924(a	by the direc	tors and sharehold	ers pursuant	to 15 Pa. C.S.
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned corporation/limited partnership has caused these Articles/Certificate of Merger to be signed by a duly authorized officer thereof this
2004 day of <u>Gune</u>
Cooperative Milling, Inc.
Name of Corporation/Lippited Partnership
Keder T. Mente
Signature
SECRETARY
Title
Southern States Cooperative, Incorporated
Name of Corporation/Limited Partnership
Feelee T. Mestron Signature
Signature
EXEC. VA S.CFO
Title

### **EXHIBIT A**

## Plan of Merger of Cooperative Milling, Inc. with and into Southern States Cooperative, Incorporated

- 1. The names of the merging corporations are Cooperative Milling, Inc. ("CM"), a Pennsylvania agricultural cooperative corporation and Southern States Cooperative, Incorporated ("SSC"), a Virginia agricultural cooperative corporation. CM shall be merged with and into SSC and SSC shall be the surviving corporation (the "Surviving Corporation") in the merger (the "Merger").
- 2. Upon the effective date of the Merger of CM into SSC, all of the shares of capital stock of CM shall be cancelled and the separate existence of CM shall cease to exist.
- 3. The Articles of Incorporation and By-laws of SSC as in effect prior to the Merger shall continue (until amended or repealed as provided by applicable law) to be the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws of the Surviving Corporation.
- 4. The board of directors of the Surviving Corporation immediately after the Merger shall consist of the same individuals serving as members of the board of directors of SSC immediately prior to the Merger.

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### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 30, 2004

The State Corporation Commission finds the accompanying articles submitted on behalf of

### SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE, INCORPORATED

to comply with the requirements of law and confirms payment of all required fees. Therefore, it is ORDERED that this

### CERTIFICATE OF MERGER

be issued and admitted to record with the articles of merger in the Office of the Clerk of the Commission, effective June 30, 2004. Each of the following:

COOPERATIVE MILLING, INC. (A PA CORPORATION NOT QUALIFIED IN VA)  $\,$ 

is merged into SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE, INCORPORATED, which continues to exist under the laws of VIRGINIA with the name SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE, INCORPORATED, the separate existence of each non-surviving entity ceases.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

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Commissioner

# ARTICLES OF MERGER of COOPERATIVE MILLING, INC. with and into SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE, INCORPORATED

- 1. Parties to the Merger and Plan of Merger. A copy of the Plan of Merger ("Plan") by which Cooperative Milling, Inc., a Pennsylvania agricultural cooperative corporation ("CM"), shall be merged with and into Southern States Cooperative, Incorporated, a Virginia agricultural cooperative corporation ("SSC"), with SSC to be the surviving corporation, is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 2.. <u>Compliance with Applicable Law</u>. This merger is permitted by the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, under which CM is organized, and by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, under which SSC is organized. Both corporations have complied with the applicable provisions of the respective laws of the State of Pennsylvania and the Commonwealth of Virginia in effectuating the merger.
- 3. Approval by Merging Corporation. By resolutions adopted June 14, 2004, the board of directors of CM approved the Plan, and recommended and submitted the Plan to the shareholders of CM. The Plan was adopted and approved by unanimous written consent of the shareholders of CM pursuant to 15 Pa.C.S. § 1925(a) on June 30, 2004.
- 4. <u>Approval by Surviving Corporation</u>. The Plan was duly approved by a majority of the board of directors of SSC on May 20, 2004. Action by the holders of membership common stock of SSC on the Plan is not required by reason of the application of and satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Va. Code §13.1-718.G.
- 5. Effective Time and Date. The effective date of the Merger shall be June 30, 2004.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Merger are signed by the respective duly authorized officers of each of the undersigned corporations this 30th day of June, 2004.

COOPERATIVE MILLING, INC.

By: Name: Ia

Title: Secretary

SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE, INCORPORATED

Name: Leske T. Newton

Title: Executive VP:

Chief Financial Officer

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**RECORDED: 10/18/2004**