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### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Office of the Secretary of State
Corporations Division
100 North Main Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903-1335

### **NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION (To Be Filed In Duplicate Original)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended,

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adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

1. The name of the corporation is eco RI, Inc.

2. The period of its duration is (if perpetual, so state) perpetual

3. The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are: eco RI, Inc. is a non-profit journalistic initiative devoted to educating Rhode Island policy makers and the public about the causes, consequences and solutions to local environmental issues and problems.

4. Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

See Attachment 1.



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5.	The address of the initial registered	d office of the corporation is	111 Hope Street
	-	·	(Street Address, not P.O. Box)
	Providence	, RI <u>02906</u>	, and the name of its initial registered agent at such
	(City/Town)	(Zip Code)	
	address is Frank Carini		
(Name of Agent)			
6.	The number of directors constituting	g the initial Board of Directo	rs of the Corporation is six (6) (not less than three directors)
	and the names and addresses of the	ne persons who are to serve	
	<u>Name</u>		<u>Address</u>
	Clifford Detz	842 Butternut Driv	ve, San Rafael, CA 94903
	Richard Lewis	12 Prospect Stree	t, Bristol, RI 02809
	John Chazvinian	2424 Waverly Stre	eet, Philadelphia, PA 19146
	Lovella Hill		
	Alan Bergland	108 Hillside Aven	ue, Pawtucket, RI 02860
	Sarah Chaplin		, Providence, RI 02909
7.	The name and address of each inc  Name  Michael Aaronson		<u>Address</u> t, Cranston, RI 02905
8.	Date when corporate existence is t	o begin upon the filing of	these papers.
		(not prior to, nor	more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)
Da	te: Feb 14, Hasq	have exa accompa	enalty of perjury, I/we declare and affirm that I/we imined these Articles of Incorporation, including any nying attachments, and that all statements contained a true and correct.
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			Signature of each Incorporator

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION ARTICLE FOUR

### STATEMENT 1

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation is organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes as specified in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, governors, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof.

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall the corporation participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

No payments or distributions shall be made by this corporation and no other activities shall be carried on or engaged in by this corporation which would result in the denial or revocation of the exemption of this corporation from federal income taxation under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as an organization described in <a href="Sec. 501(c)(3)">Sec. 501(c)(3)</a> of said Code or the deductibility of contributions to and for the use on this corporation for federal income tax purposes under the provisions of <a href="Sec. 170">Sec. 170</a> of said Code, or the deductibility of any transfer, device or bequests to said corporation for federal estate tax purposes under the provisions of <a href="Sec. 2055">Sec. 2055</a> and <a href="Sec. 2105">Sec. 2105</a> of said Code, or the deductibility of gifts to said corporation for federal gift tax purposes under the provisions of <a href="Sec. 2522">Sec. 2522</a> of said Code.

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Officers shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, education, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under <a href="Sec.501(c)(3">Sec.501(c)(3)</a>) of the <a href="Internal Revenue Code of 1986">Internal Revenue Code of 1986</a>, (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Governors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Superior Court of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.



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I, A. RALPH MOLLIS, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, hereby certify that this document, duly executed in accordance with the provisions of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this office on this day:

A. RALPH MOLLIS

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Secretary of State

