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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

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BUSINESS CORPORATION

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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1.2-1405 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, the undersigned foreign corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in the State of Rhode Island, and for that purpose submits the following statement.

1. The name of the corporation is Thiele Geotech, Inc.
2. It is incorporated under the laws of the State of Nebraska
3. The name, if different, which it elects to use in Rhode Island is:

(a) If the name of the corporation in its jurisdiction of incorporation does not contain the word "corporation," "company," "incorporated," or "limited," or an abbreviation thereof, then list the name of the corporation with the addition of one of the above corporate endings for use in Rhode Island:

(b) If the corporate name is not available in Rhode Island, then set forth below the fictitious name under which the corporation will qualify and transact business in Rhode Island as stated in the "Fictitious Business Name Statement" to be filed with this application:

4. The date of its incorporation is January 3, 1996 and the period of its duration is Perpetual
5. The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is 13478 Chandler Road, Omaha, NE 68138-3716

6. The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is 10 Weeybosset Street  
(Street Address, not P.O. Box)  
Providence, RI 02903 and the name of its proposed registered agent in Rhode Island at  
(City/Town) (Zip Code)  
that address is CT Corporation System  
(Name of Agent)

7. The purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island are:

Consulting Engineering Services - Geotechnical, Materials, Environmental

8. (a) The names and respective addresses of its directors (optional unless directors are required under the laws of the state or country of which it is incorporated)

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Director	<u>Daniel J. Thiele, P.E.</u>	<u>6729 South 91st Street, Omaha, NE 68127</u>
Director	<u>Michael F. Gerdies</u>	<u>21401 Cedarwood Road, Elkhorn, NE 68022</u>
Director	<u>Steven D. Weidennhammer, P.E.</u>	<u>8928 N 56th Avenue Circle, Omaha, NE 68154</u>
Director	<u>Dennis J. Anderson, P.G.</u>	<u>6210 South 176th Street, Omaha, NE 68135</u>

(b) The names and respective addresses of its principal officers (mandatory if directors are not required under the laws of the state or country of which it is incorporated).

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
President	Daniel J. Thiele, P.E.	6729 South 91st Street, Omaha, NE 68127
Vice President	Michael F. Gerdes	21401 Cedarwood Road, Elkhorn, NE 68022
Treasurer	Michael F. Gerdes	21401 Cedarwood Road, Elkhorn, NE 68022
Secretary	Michael F. Gerdes	21401 Cedarwood Road, Elkhorn, NE 68022

9. The aggregate number of shares which it has authority to issue, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

<u>Number of Shares</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value</u>
2000			\$100.00

10. (a) An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by the corporation for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 3.0 million
- (b) An estimate of the value of the corporation's property to be located within Rhode Island during the following year is \$ -0-
- (c) An estimate, expressed as a percentage, of the proportion that the estimated value of the property of the corporation to be located within this state during the following year bears to the value of all property of the corporation to be owned during the following year, wherever located, is 0 % [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].
11. (a) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation during the following year is \$ 20,000
- (b) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation at or from places of business in Rhode Island during the following year is \$ -0-
- (c) An estimate, expressed as a percentage, of the proportion that the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation at or from places of business in this state during the following year bears to the gross amount thereof which will be transacted by the corporation during the following year is 0 % [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].
12. This application is accompanied by a certificate of Good Standing issued by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated. Attached
13. This Application for Certificate of Authority shall be effective upon filing unless a specified date is provided which shall be no later than the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the date of this filing

Under penalty of perjury, I declare and affirm that I have examined this Application for Certificate of Authority, including any accompanying attachments, and that all statements contained herein are true and correct.

Date: July 3, 2007

Michael F. Gerdes  
Signature of Authorized Officer of the Corporation  
Michael F. Gerdes / Senior Vice President  
Type or Print Name of Authorized Officer

STATE OF

NEBRASKA

United States of America,  
State of Nebraska } ss.



Department of State  
Lincoln, Nebraska

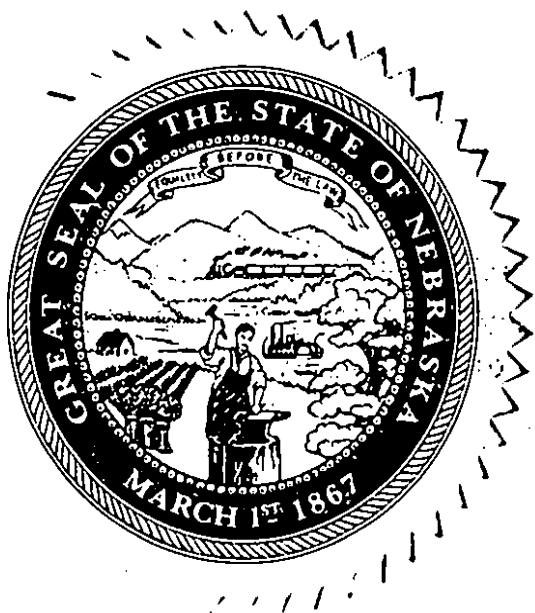
I, John A. Gale, Secretary of State of Nebraska do hereby certify;

**THIELE GEOTECH, INC.**

was duly incorporated under the laws of this state on January 4, 1996 and do further certify that no occupation taxes assessed are unpaid and no biennial reports are delinquent; articles of dissolution have not been filed and said corporation is in existence as of the date of this certificate.

In Testimony Whereof,

I have hereunto set my hand and  
affixed the Great Seal of the State  
of Nebraska on June 6, 2006.



*John A. Gale*  
SECRETARY OF STATE