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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

BUSINESS CORPORATION

APPLICATION FOR
AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
(To Be Filed In Duplicate Original)

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1.1-111 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, the undersigned corporation hereby applies for an Amended Certificate of Authority to transact business in Rhode Island, and for that purpose submits the following statement:

1. The name of the corporation is UCISCO, INC.

2. It is incorporated under the laws of Texas

3. A Certificate of Authority was issued to the corporation by the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island on December 17, 1992, authorizing it to transact business in Rhode Island under the name of: UCISCO, INC.

4. The corporate name of the corporation has been changed to PRAXAIR SERVICES, INC. (If no change, so indicate.)

5. 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:

6. The corporation desires to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island other or additional purposes than those set forth in its prior Application for a Certificate of Authority, as follows:

(If no other or additional purposes are proposed, insert "No Change.")

no change

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7. If there has been an increase in the authorized shares of the corporation, list the total number of authorized shares, including the increase (If there has been no increase in shares, insert "no change"):

Total Number of Authorized Shares	Class	Series	Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
no change			

8. (a) An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by the corporation for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 29,849,108.00.
- (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]
9. (a) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation during the following year is \$ 34,172,253.00.
- (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]
10. Except as herein modified, the original Application for Certificate of Authority continues in full force and effect and is hereby confirmed, ratified and incorporated by reference into this Application for Amended Certificate of Authority.

Date: April 24, 2003

PRAXAIR SERVICES, INC.  
 Print Exact Name of Corporation Making Application  
 By William T. Stoll  
 President or  Vice President (check one)  
 AND  
 By Mark S. Lyon  
 Secretary or  Assistant Secretary (check one)

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
 COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD

In Danbury, CT, on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003, personally appeared before me Mark S. Lyon who, being by me first duly sworn, declared that he/she is the Assistant Secretary of the corporation and that he/she signed the foregoing document as such officer of the corporation, and that the statements herein contained are true.

Annette Simmons  
 Notary Public  
 My Commission Expires: 3-31-2006

**CONSENT TO USE OF CORPORATE NAME**

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

The undersigned corporations, each a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and each authorized to transact business as a foreign corporation in the State of Rhode Island, hereby consent to the use of the name "Praxair Services, Inc." by Praxair Services, Inc., formerly known as UCISCO, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas and which is about to submit Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation in the State of Rhode Island.

Dated: August 12, 2003

Praxair, Inc.

By: David H. Chaifetz  
David H. Chaifetz  
Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

Praxair Distribution, Inc.

By: Mark S. Lyon  
Mark S. Lyon  
Assistant Secretary

Praxair Surface Technologies, Inc.

By: Mark S. Lyon  
Mark S. Lyon  
Assistant Secretary



## Office of the Secretary of State

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, does hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of each document on file in this office as described below:

Praxair Services, Inc.  
Filing Number: 17350600

Articles of Incorporation	April 05, 1961
Articles of Amendment	May 24, 1965
Articles Of Amendment	December 06, 1976
Articles Of Amendment	June 24, 1992
Change Of Registered Agent/Office	September 21, 1992
Change Of Registered Agent/Office	July 26, 1993
Articles Of Amendment	December 28, 1995
Resolution Establishing Series Of Shares	February 13, 1996
Public Information Report (PIR)	December 31, 1996
Change Of Registered Agent/Office	July 14, 1997
Public Information Report (PIR)	December 31, 2002
Articles of Amendment	March 14, 2003
Articles of Merger	March 25, 2003
Change of Registered Agent/ Office	August 01, 2003

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused to be impressed hereon the Seal of State at my office in Austin, Texas on September 12, 2003.

Corporations Section  
P.O. Box 13697  
Austin, Texas 78711-3697



Geoffrey S. Connor  
Secretary of State

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Connor".

Secretary of State