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**APPLICATION FOR  
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY  
OF**

Blount, Inc.

To the Secretary of State  
of the State of Rhode Island

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1.1-103 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, the undersigned 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:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is Blount, Inc.

SECOND: The name which it elects to use in Rhode Island is Blount, Inc.

(If the name of the corporation does not contain the word "corporation," "company," "incorporated," or "limited," or an abbreviation of one of such words, insert the name of the corporation with the word or abbreviation which it elects to add thereto for use in Rhode Island;)

THIRD: It is incorporated under the laws of Delaware

FOURTH: The date of its incorporation is February 22, 1971, and the period of its duration is perpetual

FIFTH: The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is The Corporation Trust Company, Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801

SIXTH: The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is 123 Dyer Street, Providence, R. I. 02903 and the name of its proposed registered agent in Rhode Island at that address is C T CORPORATION SYSTEM

SEVENTH: The purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island are manufacture and sale of specialty steel, cutting chain and related products, timber harvesting equipment, and sporting ammunition and accessories.

**EIGHTH: The names and respective addresses of its directors and officers are:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
	Director	
- See Attached Schedule -	Director	
	Director	
	President	
- See Attached Schedule -	Vice President	
	Secretary	
	Treasurer	

**NINTH: 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 per Share or Statement that Shares are without Par Value</u>
Common Stock - 40,000,000	A	-	\$1.00
Common Stock - 12,000,000	B	-	\$1.00
Preference - 4,467,029	various	-	\$ .10

**TENTH: The aggregate number of its issued shares, 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 per Share or Statement that Shares are without Par Value</u>
Common Stock - 7,252,824	A	-	\$1.00
Common Stock - 4,665,265	B	-	\$1.00
Preference - 10,174	various	-	\$ .10

**ELEVENTH:** An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by it for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 136,337,106.00

**TWELFTH:** An estimate of the value of its property to be located within Rhode Island during such year is \$ -0-

**THIRTEENTH:** An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by it during such year is \$ 366,655,259.00

**FOURTEENTH:** An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by it at or from places of business in Rhode Island during such year is \$ 93,954.00

**FIFTEENTH:** This Application is accompanied by a copy of its articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto, duly authenticated by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated.

Dated August 14, 19 87

Blount, Inc.

[Exact Corporate Name of Corporation Making Application]

By R. William Van Sant  
Its President  
and Louis A. Griffin  
Its Secretary

STATE OF Alabama }  
COUNTY OF Montgomery } SC.

At Montgomery in said County on the 14TH day  
of August 19 87, before me personally appeared  
Louis A. Griffin, who being by me first duly sworn, declared that  
he is the Secretary of Blount, Inc.,  
that he signed the foregoing document as such Secretary of the  
corporation, and that the statements therein contained are true.

Patricia J. Mcghee  
Notary Public

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DECEMBER 11, 1988

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BLOUNT, INC.

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
<u>OFFICERS</u>		
Winton M. Blount	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer & Chairman of the Executive Committee	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
Oscar J. Reak	Vice Chairman of the Board	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
Winton M. Blount III	Vice Chairman of the Board	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
R. William Van Sant	President & Chief Operating Officer	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
Louis A. Griffitt	Secretary	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
L. Daniel Morris, Jr.	Assistant Secretary	5550 S.W. Macadam Avenue, Portland, OR 97201-3786
Penny D. Beck	Assistant Secretary (Omark Group)	P. O. Box 494, Washington, PA 15301
Robert E. Grote III	Assistant Secretary (Washington Steel Div.)	P. O. Box 494, Washington, PA 15301
James J. Plerotti	Assistant Secretary (Washington Steel Div.)	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
Frank H. McFadden	Senior Vice President and General Counsel	
J. Lee Ledbetter	Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
Peter C. Robinson	Vice President - Planning & Marketing	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
D. Joseph McInnes	Vice President - Human Resources	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
Rodney W. Blankenship	Controller	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
John D. Livingson	Assistant Controller - Accounting	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
Walter L. Nixon	Assistant Controller - Systems and Budgets	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<u>Class A Directors</u>	<u>Class B Directors</u>
Robert M. Adams	Winton M. Blount
Herbert J. Dickson	Winton M. Blount III
James W. Hargrove	W. Houston Blount
Mary D. Nelson	Alfred M. Gleason
	Thomas H. Moorer
	Dillard Munford
	Oscar J. Reak
	Edward S. Smith
	Joab L. Thomas
	R. William Van Sant
5 Field Ridge Road, White Bear Lake, MN 55110	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
12 Muscogee Avenue, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30305	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
6300 Texas Commerce Tower, Houston, TX 77002-3071	P. O. Box 7497, Birmingham, AL 35253-0497
1120 4th and Race Tower, 97204	851 S. W. 6th Avenue, Portland, OR 97204
105 West 4th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202-2717	6901 Lupine Lane, McLean, VA 22101
	P. O. Box 7701, Station C, Atlanta, GA 30357
	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116
	111 S. W. 5th Avenue, Portland, OR 97204
	University of Alabama, P. O. Box B, 35486
	University, AL 36116
	4520 Executive Park Drive, Montgomery, AL 36116