



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Department of Administration
DIVISION OF TAXATION
One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908-5800

September 30, 1997

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Re: **FASTENAL COMPANY**

It appears from our records that the abovenamed corporation has filed all of the required Business Corporation Tax Returns due to be filed and paid all taxes indicated thereon and is in good standing with this Division as of this date regarding any liability under the Rhode Island Business Corporation Tax Law.

This letter is issued pursuant to the request of the abovenamed corporation for the purpose of:

REINSTATING REVOKED CORPORATE CHARTER

Very truly yours,

R. Gary Clark
Tax Administrator

Ernest A. DeAngelis
Chief Revenue Agent
Corporations