Filing fee: \$35.00

APPLICATION FOR AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY OF

PLATT ENERGY CORPORATION

To the Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island

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:

FIRST: A Certificate of Authority was issued to the corporation by your office on November 2 , 1988 , authorizing it to transact business in Rhode Island under the name of PLATT ENERGY CORPORATION

SECOND: The corporate name of the corporation has been changed to UNITED STATES BORAX & CHEMICAL CORPORATION

[If no change, so indicate]

THIRD: The name which it elects to use hereafter in Rhode Island is UNITED STATES BORAX & CHEMICAL CORPORATION

FOURTH: It 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

FIFTH: Other amendments, if any, to Certificate of Authority previously issued:

[see §§7-1.1-103, 7-1.1-109, 7-1.1-110, of the General Laws, 1956, as amended.] (If increase of authorized capital stock, state:

Par Value per Share

Number of Shares	Class	Series	or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
11,000	Common Preferred	-	\$.10 \$1,000.
250,000		-	

- (A): An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by it for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 449,943,000
- (B): An estimate of the value of its property to be located within Rhode Island during such year is \$ None
- (C): An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by it during such year is \$ 393,677,000
- (D): 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 \$770,000

(Now named United States Borax & PLATT ENERGY CORPORATION Chemical Corporation)

Dated February 24 . 1988

Kerstetter, Jr. Its Sr. VicePresident

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Secretary W. A. Ackerman

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

At Los Angeles

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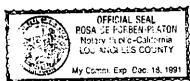
R. J. Kerstetter, Jr. , who being by me first duly sworn, declared that he is the

a Senior Vice President Of PLATT ENERGY CORPORATION (Now named United States Borax & Chemical Corporation) that he signed the foregoing document as such Senior Vice President

of the corporation, and that the statements therein contained are true.

Low be Porten-Platon Notary Public

(NOTARIAL SEAL)





Office of Secretary of State

I, MICHAEL HARKINS, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT

COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AGREEMENT OF MERGER OF "UNITED STATES

BORAX & CHEMICAL CORPORATION" MERGING WITH AND INTO "PLATT ENERGY

CORPORATION" UNDER THE NAME OF "UNITED STATES BORAX & CHEMICAL

CORPORATION" AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE THE SIXTEENTH

DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 1987, AT 2:01 O'CLOCK P.M.

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Michael Harkins, Secretary of State *3011580

AUTHENTICATION:

DATE:

04/09/1991