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(Section 7-11-124)

APPLICATION FOR  
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY  
OF

DEERE MARKETING SERVICES, 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 Deere Marketing Services, Inc.

SECOND: The name which it elects to use in Rhode Island is Deere Marketing Services, 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 September 30, 1985 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 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801

SIXTH: The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is 111 Westminster 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

To engage in the retail sales of computer and related equipment.  
To engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Statutes.

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
See Attached Rider	Director	
	Director	
	Director	
	President	
	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>
1,000	Common		NPV

**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>
100	Common		NPV

**ELEVENTH:** An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by it for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 1,500,000.00

**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 \$ 140,000,000.00

**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 \$ 0

**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 October 27, 19 85

DEERE MARKETING SERVICES, INC.  
[Exact Corporate Name of Corporation Making Application]

By Neil O. Christenson  
Its Vice President  
Neil O. Christenson  
and Richard G. Silliman  
Its Secretary  
Richard G. Silliman

STATE OF ILLINOIS }  
COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND } Sc.

At Moline, Illinois in said County on the 27<sup>th</sup> day  
of October 19 85, before me personally appeared  
Neil O. Christenson, who being by me first duly sworn, declared that  
he is the Vice President of DEERE MARKETING SERVICES, INC.,  
that he signed the foregoing document as such Vice President of the  
corporation, and that the statements therein contained are true.

[Signature]  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires April 17, 1988

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DEERE MARKETING SERVICE INC.  
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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 INCORPORATION OF DEERE MARKETING SERVICES, INC. FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE THIRTIETH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 1985, AT 2 O'CLOCK P.M.

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*Michael Harkins*  
Michael Harkins, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 10648306

DATE: 10/31/1985

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