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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 CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY  
(To Be Filed In Duplicate Original)

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

1. The name of the corporation is Wells Fargo Financial Retail Credit, Inc. *(11/19/94) of name obtained*

2. It is incorporated under the laws of Iowa

3. 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:*

4. The date of its incorporation is April 7, 1987 and the period of its duration is perpetual

5. The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is 206 8th St., Des Moines, IA 50309

6. The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is 1160 Post Road  
(Street Address, not P.O. Box)

Warwick, RI 02888 and the name of its proposed registered agent in Rhode Island at  
(City/Town) (Zip Code)

that address is Wells Fargo Financial Rhode Island, Inc.  
(Name of Agent)

7. The specific purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island are:  
retail credit services and all lawful business

8. The names and respective addresses of the directors and officers are:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Director	<u>See attached officers/directors rider</u>	
Director		
President		
Vice President		
Treasurer		
Secretary		

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9. 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:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
100			\$100

10. 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:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
10			\$100

11. (a) An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by the corporation for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 36,000.

(b) An estimate of the value of the corporation's property to be located within Rhode Island during the following year is \$ 1,000.

(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 2.78 %. [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].

12. (a) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation during the following year is \$ 18,250,000.

(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 \$ 100,000.

(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 .55 % [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].

13. This application is accompanied by certified copies of its articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto, duly authenticated by the secretary of state or other authorized officer of the jurisdiction of its incorporation.

Date: July 13, 2000

Wells Fargo Financial Retail Credit, Inc.

Print Exact Name of Corporation Making Application

By

President or  Vice President (check one)

By

Secretary or  Assistant Secretary (check one)

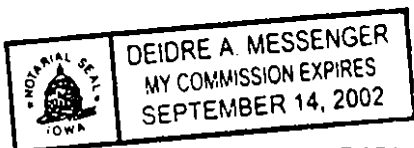
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STATE OF IOWA  
COUNTY OF POLK

In DES MOINES, IA, on this 13TH day of JULY, 2000, personally appeared before me STEVE R. WAGNER who, being by me first duly sworn, declared that he/she is the PRESIDENT 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.



Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 9/14/2002

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Steve R. Wagner – President/Director – 206 8<sup>th</sup> St., Des Moines, IA 50309  
Bradley J. Anderson – Vice President – 206 8<sup>th</sup> St., Des Moines, IA 50309  
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Wells Fargo Financial, Inc.  
206 Eighth Street  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309  
515 243-2131

August 8, 2000

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Office of the Secretary of State  
100 North Main Street  
Providence, RI 02903-1335

Re: Wells Fargo Financial Retail Credit, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Wells Fargo Financial Rhode Island, Inc. consents to the use of the name Wells Fargo Financial Retail Credit, Inc. in Rhode Island by Wells Fargo Financial Retail Credit, Inc.

Sincerely,

WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL  
RHODE ISLAND, INC.

Gary M. Poetting  
Vice President

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Re: Wells Fargo Financial Retail Credit, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Wells Fargo Financial Leasing, Inc. hereby consents to the use of the name Wells Fargo Financial Retail Credit, Inc. in the state of Rhode Island.

Sincerely,

WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL  
LEASING, INC.

Gary M. Poetting  
Vice President

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I hereby certify that this is a true and complete document to which the seal is affixed as filed in this office beginning 7 day of April 1987 to and including the date below.

DATED July 20, 2000

Chas. J. Melon  
Secretary Of State

BY: Patty Simpson  
6/24/00