UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 25, 2024



Advanced Energy Industries, Inc.

(Ex	act name of registrant as specified in its chart	er)
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	000-26966 (Commission File Number)	84-0846841 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
1595 Wynkoop Street, Suite 800, Denver, Colorado (Address of principal executive offices)		80202 (Zip Code)
(Registi	(970) 407-6626 rant's telephone number, including are	ea code)
(Former nar	Not applicable me or former address, if changed since	e last report)
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☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule	425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.42	5)
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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of	f the Act:	
<u>Title of each class</u> Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	Trading Symbol(s) AEIS	Name of each exchange on which registered NASDAQ Global Select Market
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Excha		Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR
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Item 3.03 Material Modifications to Rights of Security Holders.

The information set forth under Item 5.03 and Item 9.01 of this report is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5.03 Amendments to the Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation

On April 25, 2024, at the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. ("Advanced Energy" or the "Company"), the Company's stockholders approved an Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company to (i) limit the personal liability of the Company's officers in light of recent amendments to the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL") and (ii) make certain other minor, non-substantive updates and improvements (the "Restated Certificate"), which had previously been approved by the Company's Board of Directors, subject to stockholder approval. On April 25, 2024, the Company filed the Restated Certificate with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

The Restated Certificate is described in detail in the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A (the "Proxy Statement") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 15, 2024, under the caption "Proposal No. 4 - Approval Of Advanced Energy's Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to Provide Exculpation from Personal Liability for Certain Officers as Permitted by Delaware Law and Make Certain Other Minor, Non-Substantive Updates," which description is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the Restated Certificate is also filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. The description of the Restated Certificate set forth above does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such materials.

Third Amended and Restated By-Laws

On April 25, 2024, the Company's Board of Directors amended and restated the by-laws of the Company (the "Third Amended and Restated By-Laws"), effective immediately upon their adoption. These amendments principally provide for the following:

- (i) to revise the advance notice requirements and procedures for stockholder proposals and director nominations and to address the universal proxy rules adopted by the SEC, including (A) updating the advance notice deadlines for stockholder proposals and nominations to no earlier than the close of business on the one hundred twentieth (120th) day and no later than the ninetieth (90th) day prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, or if the meeting date is more than 30 days before or after the first anniversary and the first public announcement of such date is less than one hundred (100) days before the meeting, the tenth (10th) day following such public announcement, (B) updating the advance notice informational and disclosure requirements for stockholder proposals and director nominations, (C) requiring evidence of compliance with Rule 14a-19 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and (D) specifying the color of proxy card reserved for exclusive use by the Company;
- (ii) to adopt an exclusive forum provision designating the U.S. federal district courts as the exclusive forum for all claims arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended;
- (iii) to align with recent changes to the DGCL, such as those regarding adjournment procedures for stockholder meetings and the provision of the stockholder list;
- (iv) to update the stock ownership requirement to call a special meeting of stockholders to not less than 20% of the shares entitled to vote at the meeting; and
- (v) to make other clarifying, conforming and administrative changes.

A copy of the Third Amended and Restated By-Laws filed as Exhibit 3.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein. The foregoing summary description of the Third Amended and Restated Bylaws does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Third Amended and Restated Bylaws.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Company held its 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders on Thursday, April 25, 2024, to vote on four proposals. The following matters as set forth in the Proxy Statement were voted upon with the results indicated below.

1. Election of ten (10) directors.

The following ten nominees were elected to serve as directors of the Company, with the following votes tabulated:

	For	Withhold	Broker Non-Vote
Grant H. Beard	34,609,484	72,751	1,298,891
Frederick A. Ball	33,660,884	1,009,802	1,310,440
Anne T. DelSanto	34,489,290	192,945	1,298,891
Tina M. Donikowski	34,371,680	310,555	1,298,891
Ronald C. Foster	34,619,868	62,367	1,298,891
Stephen D. Kelley	34,596,033	86,202	1,298,891
Lanesha T. Minnix	34,464,756	217,479	1,298,891
David W. Reed	34,586,258	95,977	1,298,891
John A. Roush	34,457,612	224,623	1,298,891
Brian M. Shirley	34,598,336	83,899	1,298,891

Each director has been elected to serve until the 2025 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, or until his or her successor has been elected and qualified or until such director's earlier resignation or removal.

2. Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Advanced Energy's independent registered public accounting firm for 2024.

The appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2024 was ratified, with the following votes tabulated:

For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Vote
35,879,956	95,753	5,417	

3. Advisory approval on the compensation of Advanced Energy's named executive officers.

The advisory approval of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed in the Proxy Statement was approved, with the following votes tabulated:

For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Vote
34,361,564	309,087	11,584	1,298,891

4. Approval of Advanced Energy's Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to provide exculpation from personal liability for certain officers as permitted by Delaware law and make certain other minor, non-substantive updates.

The Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation was approved, with the following votes tabulated:

For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Vote
30,580,479	4,067,740	34,016	1,298,891

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation
3.2	Third Amended and Restated By-Laws
104	The cover page from Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K, formatted in Inline XBRL

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 1, 2024

ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC.

/s/ Elizabeth K. Vonne

Elizabeth K. Vonne

Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate

Secretary

AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC.

Advanced Energy Industries, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of the state of Delaware (the "Corporation"), DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

- 1. The name of the Corporation is Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. The date of filing of the Corporation's original Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State was September 1, 1995. The original Certificate of Incorporation was subsequently amended and restated by the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, filed with the Secretary of State on July 5, 2019.
- 2. This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation has been duly adopted in accordance with Sections 242 and 245 of the Delaware General Corporation Law and restates, integrates, and further amends the provisions of the Corporation's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation.
- 3. The text of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of this Corporation is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be signed by Elizabeth K. Vonne, its Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, this 25^{th} day of April, 2024.

ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: /s/ Elizabeth K. Vonne

Elizabeth K. Vonne

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Exhibit A

AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC.

ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation is ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC. (the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II.

The address, including street number, city, and county, of the registered office of the Corporation in the state of Delaware is Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, city of Wilmington, 19801, County of New Castle; and the name of the registered agent of the Corporation in the State of Delaware at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

ARTICLE III.

The purpose of this Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under the Delaware General Corporation Law.

ARTICLE IV.

- A. The Corporation is authorized to issue two classes of stock to be designated "Common Stock" and "Preferred Stock." The total number of shares of all classes of capital stock that the Corporation is authorized to issue is seventy-one million (71,000,000) shares. Seventy million (70,000,000) shares shall be Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, and one million (1,000,000) shares shall be Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share.
- B. The Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The board of directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") is hereby authorized, by filing a certificate (a "Preferred Stock Designation") pursuant to the Delaware General Corporation Law, to fix or alter from time to time the designation, powers, preferences, and rights of the shares of each such series and the qualifications, limitations, or restrictions of any wholly unissued series of Preferred Stock, and to establish from time to time the number of shares constituting any such series or any of them; and to increase or decrease the number of shares of any series subsequent to the issuance of shares of that series, but not below the number of shares of such series then outstanding, in case the number of shares of any series shall be decreased in accordance with the foregoing sentence, the shares constituting such decrease shall resume the status that they had prior to the adoption of the resolution originally fixing the number of shares of such series.

ARTICLE V.

For the management of the business and for the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation, and in further definition, limitation, and regulation of the powers of the Corporation, of its directors and of its stockholders or any class thereof, as the case may be, it is further provided that:

Α.

- (1) The management of the business and the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The number of directors which shall constitute the whole Board of Directors shall be fixed exclusively by one or more resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors.
- (2) Subject to the rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock to elect additional directors under specified circumstances, directors shall be elected at each annual meeting of stockholders for a term of one year. Each director shall serve until a successor is duly elected and qualified or until such director's earlier death, resignation, or removal. No decrease in the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.
- (3) Subject to the rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock, any director may be removed with or without cause. Subject to any limitations imposed by law, the Board of Directors or any individual director may be removed from office at any time, with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of all the then-outstanding shares of voting stock of the Corporation, entitled to vote at an election of directors (the "Voting Stock").
- (4) Subject to the rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock, any vacancies on the Board of Directors resulting from death, resignation, disqualification, removal, or other causes and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of directors shall, unless the Board of Directors determines by resolution that any such vacancies or newly created directorships shall be filled by the stockholders, except as otherwise provided by law, be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, even though less than quorum of the Board of Directors, and not by the stockholders. Any director elected in accordance with the preceding sentence shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the director for which the vacancy was created or occurred and until such director's successor shall have been elected and qualified or until such director's earlier death, resignation, or removal.

В.

(1) Subject to paragraph (h) of Section 43 of the By-Laws, the By-Laws may be amended, altered, changed, or repealed or new By-Laws adopted by the affirmative vote of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the voting power of all of the thenoutstanding shares of the Voting Stock. The Board of Directors shall also have the power to adopt, amend, alter, change, or repeal By-Laws.

- (2) The directors of the Corporation need not be elected by written ballot unless the By-Laws so provide.
- (3) Special meetings of the stockholders of the Corporation may be called, for any purpose or purposes, by (i) the Chair of the Board of Directors, (ii) the Chief Executive Officer, (iii) the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the total number of authorized directors (whether or not there exist any vacancies in previously authorized directorships at the time any such resolution is presented to the Board of Directors for adoption), or (iv) the written request of stockholders satisfying the procedural and stock ownership requirements set forth in Section 5 of the By-Laws, and shall be held at such place, on such date, and at such time as the Board of Directors shall fix.
- (4) Advance notice of stockholder nominations for the election of directors and of business to be brought by stockholders before any meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation shall be given in the manner provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VI.

- A. A director or officer of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer, as applicable, provided that this Article VI shall not eliminate or limit the liability of (i) a director or officer for any breach of the director's or officer's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) a director or officer for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) a director under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, (iv) a director or officer for any transaction from which the director or officer derived an improper personal benefit, or (v) an officer in any action by or in the right of the Corporation. If the Delaware General Corporation Law is amended after approval by the stockholders of this Article to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors or officers, then the liability of a director or officer shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, as so amended.
- B. Any repeal or modification of this <u>Article VI</u> shall be prospective and shall not affect the rights under this Article VI in effect at the time of the alleged occurrence of any act or omission to act giving rise to liability or indemnification.

ARTICLE VII.

- A. The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision contained in this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, except as provided in paragraph B of this <u>Article VII</u>, and all rights conferred upon the stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or any provision of law which might otherwise permit a lesser vote or no vote, but in addition to any affirmative vote of the holders of any particular class or series of the Voting

Stock required by law, this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, or any Preferred Stock Designation, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the voting power of all of the then-outstanding shares of the Voting Stock, voting together as a single class, shall be required to amend, alter, change, or repeal <u>Articles VI</u> or <u>VII</u> of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation.

THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED BY-LAWS

OF

ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC.

(A DELAWARE CORPORATION)

ARTICLE I

OFFICES

Section 1. Registered Office. The registered office of Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. (the "Corporation") in the State of Delaware shall be in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle.

Section 2. Other Offices. The Corporation shall also have and maintain an office or principal place of business at such place as may be fixed by the Board of Directors, and may also have offices at such other places, both within and without the State of Delaware as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

ARTICLE II

CORPORATE SEAL

Section 3. Corporate Seal. The corporate seal shall consist of a die bearing the name of the Corporation and the inscription, "Corporate Seal - Delaware." Said seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or reproduced or otherwise.

ARTICLE III

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETINGS

Section 4. Place of Meetings. Meetings of the stockholders of the Corporation shall be held at such place, either within or without the State of Delaware, as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors, or, if not so designated, then at the office of the Corporation required to be maintained pursuant to <u>Section 2</u> of these By-Laws.

Section 5. Annual and Special Meetings.

- (a) Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation, for the purpose of election of directors and for such other business as may lawfully come before it, shall be held on such date and at such time as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors.
 - (b) Special Meetings.
 - (i) Special meetings of the stockholders of the Corporation may be called, for any purpose or purposes, by (i) the Chair of the Board of Directors, (ii) the Chief Executive Officer, (iii) the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the total number of authorized directors (whether or not there exist any vacancies in previously authorized directorships at the time any such resolution is presented to the Board of Directors for adoption) or (iv) by the holders of shares entitled to cast not less than twenty percent (20%) of the

votes at the meeting, and shall be held at such place, on such date, and at such time as the Board of Directors shall fix

(ii) If a special meeting is called by any person or persons other than the Board of Directors, the request shall be in writing, specifying the general nature of the business proposed to be transacted and, in the case of a special meeting called by one or more stockholders, shall be accompanied by the information, representations, and other materials required for proposed business or director nominations to be brought before an annual meeting under clauses (A) – (F) of Section 6(a)(ii) of these By-Laws, as applicable, and shall be delivered personally or sent by registered mail to the Chair of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, or the Secretary of the Corporation. No business may be transacted at such special meeting otherwise than specified in such request; provided, however, that nothing in this subparagraph (ii) shall prohibit the Board of Directors from submitting matters to the stockholders at any special meeting requested by stockholders. The Board of Directors shall determine the time and place of such special meeting, which shall be held not less than thirty-five (35) nor more than one hundred twenty (120) days after the date of the receipt of the request. Upon determination of the time and place of the meeting, the officer receiving the request shall cause notice to be given to the stockholders entitled to vote, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7 of these By-Laws. If the notice is not given within sixty (60) days after the receipt of the request, the person or persons requesting the meeting may set the time and place of the meeting and give the notice. Nothing contained in this paragraph (b) shall be construed as limiting, fixing, or affecting the time when a meeting of stockholders called by action of the Board of Directors may be held.

Section 6. Advance Notice of Stockholder Nominations and Other Business.

(a) Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

- (i) Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors and the proposal of other business to be considered by the stockholders may be made at an annual meeting of stockholders (A) brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of the Board of Directors, or (B) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof), or (C) by any stockholder of the Corporation who (1) was a stockholder of record at the time of giving notice provided for in this Section 6, (2) at the time of the annual meeting is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (3) complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 6 as to such business or nomination and, with respect to nominations only, the requirements of Rule 14a-19 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"); clause (C) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to make nominations or submit other business (other than matters properly brought under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and included in the Corporation's notice of meeting) before an annual meeting of stockholders.
- (ii) Without qualification, for any nominations or any other business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder pursuant to Section 6(a)(i)(C) of these By-Laws, the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing to the Secretary and such other business must otherwise be a proper matter for stockholder action. To be timely, a stockholder's notice shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not earlier than the close of business on the one hundred twentieth (120th) day and not later than the close of business on the ninetieth (90th) day prior to the first (1st) anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting; provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than thirty (30) days after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered not earlier than the close of business on the one hundred twentieth (120th) day prior to the date of such annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the ninetieth (90th) day prior to the date of such annual meeting or, if the first public announcement of the date of such annual meeting is less than one hundred (100) days prior to the date of such annual meeting, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made by the Corporation. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above. To be in proper form, a stockholder's notice (whether given pursuant to this Section 6(a)(ii) or Section 6(b) to the Secretary must:
- (A) set forth, as to the stockholder giving the notice and as to the Stockholder Associated Person (as defined in Section 6(c) below), if any, on whose behalf the nomination or proposal is made (i) the name and address of such stockholder, as they appear on the Corporation's books and such Stockholder Associated Person, if any, (ii) (a) the class and number of shares of the Corporation which are, directly or indirectly, owned beneficially and of record by such stockholder and Stockholder

Associated Person, (b) any option, warrant, convertible security, stock appreciation right, or similar right with an exercise or conversion privilege or a settlement payment or mechanism at a price related to any class of shares of the Corporation or with a value derived in whole or in part from the value of any class of shares of the Corporation, whether or not such instrument or right shall be subject to settlement in the underlying class of stock of the Corporation or otherwise (a "Derivative Instrument") directly or indirectly owned beneficially by such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person and any other direct or indirect opportunity to profit or share in any profit derived from any increase or decrease in the value of shares of the Corporation, (c) any proxy, contract, arrangement, understanding, or relationship pursuant to which such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person has a right to vote any shares of any security of the Corporation, (d) any short interest in any security of the Corporation (for purposes of this Section 6 a person shall be deemed to have a short interest in a security if such person directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship or otherwise, has the opportunity to profit or share in any profit derived from any decrease in the value of the subject security), (e) any rights to dividends on the shares of the Corporation owned beneficially by such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the Corporation, (f) any proportionate interest in shares of the Corporation or Derivative Instruments held, directly or indirectly, by a general or limited partnership in which such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person is a general partner or, directly or indirectly, beneficially owns an interest in a general partner, (g) any performance-related fees (other than an asset-based fee) that such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person is entitled to based on any increase or decrease in the value of shares of the Corporation or Derivative Instruments, if any, as of the date of such notice, including without limitation any such interests held by members of such stockholder's immediate family sharing the same household and (h) any prior campaigns against the Corporation by the stockholder or the Stockholder Associated Person, (iii) a representation that such stockholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to nominate the persons named in its notice and (iv) any other information relating to such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person, if any, that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for, as applicable, the proposal and/or for the election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, including Rule 14a-19;

- (B) if the notice relates to any business other than a nomination of a director or directors that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, set forth a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting and any material interest of such stockholder and Stockholder Associated Person, if any, on whose behalf the proposal is made, as well as (i) such other information concerning such business and the stockholder proponent as would be required by the appropriate rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission to be included in a proxy statement soliciting proxies for the proposal and (ii) a description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings between such stockholder and Stockholder Associated Person, if any, and any other person or persons (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such business;
- (C) set forth, (i) as to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection to the Board of Directors (each a "*Proposed Nominee*") (a) the name, age, business address, and residence address of the Proposed Nominee, (b) the principal occupation or employment of the Proposed Nominee, (c) the class and number of shares of the Corporation which are directly or indirectly owned beneficially and of record by the Proposed Nominee, (d) all information relating to the Proposed Nominee that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (including the Proposed Nominee's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected) and (ii) a description of all direct and indirect compensation and other material monetary agreements, arrangements and understandings during the past three (3) years, and any other material relationships, between or among such stockholder and Stockholder Associated Person, if any, and their respective affiliates and associates, or others acting in concert therewith, on the one hand, and each Proposed Nominee, and his or her respective affiliates and associates, or others acting in concert therewith, on the other hand, including, without limitation all information that would be required to be

disclosed pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission if the stockholder making the nomination and any Stockholder Associated Person on whose behalf the nomination is made, if any, or any affiliate or associate thereof or person acting in concert therewith, were the "registrant" for purposes of such rule and the nominee were a director or executive officer of such registrant. The Corporation may require any Proposed Nominee to furnish such other information as may reasonably be required by the Corporation to determine the eligibility of such Proposed Nominee to serve as an independent director of the Corporation or that could be material to a reasonable stockholder's understanding of the independence, or lack thereof, of such nominee; and

- (D) with respect to each Proposed Nominee for election or reelection to the Board of Directors, include a completed and signed questionnaire, representation and agreement as set forth in this Section 6(a)(ii)(D). To be eligible to be a nominee for election or reelection as a director of the Corporation, a person must deliver (in accordance with the time periods prescribed for delivery of notice under Section 6(a)(ii) of these By-Laws) to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation a written questionnaire with respect to the background and qualification of such person and the background of any other person or entity on whose behalf the nomination is being made (which questionnaire shall be provided by the Secretary upon written request) and a written representation and agreement (in the form provided by the Secretary upon written request) that such person (1) is not and will not become a party to (a) any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given any commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such person, if elected as a director of the Corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting Commitment') that has not been disclosed to the Corporation or (b) any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with such person's ability to comply, if elected as a director of the Corporation, with such person's fiduciary duties under applicable law, (2) is not and will not become a party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation, reimbursement or indemnification in connection with service or action as a director that has not been disclosed therein, and (3) in such person's individual capacity and on behalf of any person or entity on whose behalf the nomination is being made, would be in compliance, if elected as a director of the Corporation, and will comply with all applicable publicly disclosed corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality and stock ownership and trading policies and guidelines of the Corporation.
- (E) A stockholder providing notice of with respect to Section 6(a)(ii) or Section 6(b) shall further update and supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to Section 6(a)(ii) or Section 6(b) shall be true and correct as of the record date for the meeting and as of the date of the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, as the case may be, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to or mailed and received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than five (5) business days after the later of the record date for the meeting or the date on which the first public announcement of such record date is first made by the Corporation (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of the record date), and as promptly as practicable after any change in the information required to be provided (in the case of any update or supplement required to be made after the record date).
- (F) In addition, a stockholder who has delivered a notice of nomination pursuant to this Section 6 and Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act, shall within two (2) business days after delivering such notice, certify to the Secretary of the Corporation, and notify the Secretary of the Corporation in writing, that the stockholder has met and complied with, or as applicable, will meet and comply with, all of the requirements of these By-Laws and of Rule 14a-19 (including for the avoidance of doubt Rule 14a-19(a)(3), which provides that a stockholder soliciting proxies in support of director nominees other than the Corporation's nominees must solicit the holders of shares representing at least 67% of the voting power of shares entitled to vote on the election of directors) and, upon request of the Corporation, shall not later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the applicable meeting of stockholders, deliver to the Corporation reasonable evidence of such compliance. Additionally, any stockholder directly or indirectly soliciting proxies from other stockholders must use a proxy card color other than white, which shall be reserved for the exclusive use by the Board of Directors.

- (iii) Notwithstanding anything in the second sentence of Section 6(a)(ii) of these By-Laws to the contrary, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the Board of Directors is increased and there is no public announcement by the Corporation naming all of the nominees for director or specifying the size of the increased Board of Directors at least one hundred (100) days prior to the first (1st) anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, a stockholder's notice pursuant to this Section 6 shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which such public announcement is first made by the Corporation.
- (b) Special Meetings of Stockholders, Only such business shall be conducted at a special meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto). If the business stated in the Corporation's notice of a special meeting of stockholders includes electing one or more directors to the Board of Directors, nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors may be made (i) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors or (ii) provided that the Board of Directors has determined that directors shall be elected at such meeting, by any stockholder of the Corporation who (A) is a stockholder of record at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 6 and at the time of the special meeting, (B) is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (C) complies with the notice procedures set forth in Section 6(a)(ii) (which, for the avoidance of doubt, are applicable to both annual and special meetings of stockholders) and the requirements of Rule 14a-19 under the Exchange Act as to such nomination. Clause (ii) of the preceding sentence shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to make nominations before a special meeting of shareholders. To be timely, the stockholder's notice required by Section 6(a)(ii) of these By-Laws with respect to any Proposed Nominee (including the completed and signed questionnaire, representation and agreement required by Section 6(a)(ii)(D) of these By-Laws) shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not earlier than the close of business on the one hundred twentieth (120) day prior to the date of such special meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of (Y) the ninetieth (90th) day prior to the date of such special meeting or, (Z) if the first public announcement of the date of such special meeting is less than one hundred (100) days prior to the date of such special meeting, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the special meeting and of the nominees proposed by the Board of Directors to be elected at such meeting. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of a special meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above. Such stockholder's notice shall set forth the information called for by Sections 6(a)(ii)(A), (C), (D), (E), and (F).

(c) General.

- (i) Only such persons who are nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 6 shall be eligible to serve as directors and only such business shall be conducted at a meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 6. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, the Chair of the meeting shall have the power and duty to determine whether a nomination or any business proposed to be brought before the meeting was made or proposed, as the case may be, in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 6 and, if any proposed nomination or business is not in compliance with this Section 6, including, without limitation, if the solicitation in support of the nominees other than the Corporation's nominees was not conducted in compliance with Rule 14a-19 under the Exchange Act, to declare that such defective proposal or nomination shall be disregarded, notwithstanding that proxies with respect of such proposal or nomination may have been received by the Corporation. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 6, unless otherwise required by law, if the stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person proposing a nominee for director or business to be conducted at a meeting does not appear at the meeting of stockholders to present such nomination or propose such business, such nomination shall be disregarded or such proposed business shall not be transacted, as applicable, notwithstanding that proxies with respect to such vote may have been received by the Corporation.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 6</u>, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act, including Rule 14a-19, and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth in this <u>Section 6</u>; *provided, however*, that any references in these By-Laws to the Exchange Act or the rules promulgated thereunder are not intended to and shall not limit the requirements applicable to nominations or proposals as to any other business to be considered pursuant to <u>Section 6</u>. Nothing in this <u>Section 6</u> shall be deemed to affect any rights (A) of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals in the

Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act or (B) of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock if and to the extent provided for under law, the Certificate of Incorporation, or these By-Laws.

- (iii) All notices required to be given by a stockholder pursuant to this <u>Section 6</u> must be in writing and delivered to the Secretary of the Corporation at the principal executive offices of the Corporation in person or by first class United States mail postage prepaid or by reputable overnight delivery service within the time limits specified in this <u>Section 6</u>. Any other form of communication, including without limitation facsimile transmission, electronic mail, and other means electronic transmission, shall not satisfy the notice requirements of this <u>Section 6</u> applicable to stockholders.
- (iv) As used herein, "public announcement" shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by a national news service or in any periodic or current report of the Corporation filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (v) As used herein, the term "Stockholder Associated Person" of any stockholder shall mean (i) any person controlling or controlled by, directly or indirectly or acting in concert with, such stockholder, (ii) any beneficial owner of shares of stock of the Corporation owned of record or beneficially by such stockholder (other than a stockholder that is a depositary) and (iii) any person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with such Stockholder Associated Person. A person shall be deemed to be "acting in concert" with another person if such person knowingly acts (whether or not pursuant to an express agreement) in concert with, or towards a common goal relating to the management, governance or control of the Corporation in parallel with, such other person where (A) each person is conscious of the other person's conduct or intent and this awareness is an element in their decision-making process and (B) at least one additional factor suggests that such persons intend to act in concert or in parallel, which such additional factors may include, without limitation, exchanging information (whether publicly or privately), attending meetings, conducting discussions or making or soliciting invitations to act in concert or in parallel; provided that a person shall not be deemed to be acting in concert with any other person solely as a result of the solicitation of proxies after the filing of an effective Schedule 14A under Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act. A person acting in concert with another person shall be deemed to be acting in concert with any third party who is also acting in concert with such other person.

Section 7. Notice of Meetings; Waiver of Notice. Except as otherwise provided by law or the Certificate of Incorporation, written notice of each meeting of stockholders shall be given not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting as of the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to notice of the meeting. The notice shall specify the place, date, and hour of the meeting, the means of remote communication, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such meeting, the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, if such date is different from the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of the meeting, and in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes of the meeting. Notice of the time, place, and purpose of any meeting of stockholders may be waived in writing, signed by the person entitled to notice thereof, either before or after such meeting, and will be waived by any stockholder by his or her attendance thereat in person or by proxy, except when the stockholder attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Any stockholder so waiving notice of such meeting shall be bound by the proceedings of any such meeting in all respects as if due notice thereof had been given.

Section 8. Quorum. At each meeting of stockholders, except where otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, the presence, in person or by proxy duly authorized, of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote at the meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In the absence of a quorum, any meeting of stockholders may be adjourned, from time to time, either by the chair of the meeting or by vote of the holders of a majority of the shares represented thereat, but no other business shall be transacted at such meeting. The stockholders present at a duly called or convened meeting, at which a quorum is present, may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough stockholders to leave less than a quorum. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting, excluding abstentions and broker non-votes, shall be necessary for the transaction of any business other than the election of directors; and directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes of the shares present in person or represented by

proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the election of directors. Where a separate vote by a class or classes or series is required, except where otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, a majority of the outstanding shares of such class or classes or series, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum entitled to take action with respect to the vote on that matter and, except where otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, the affirmative vote of the majority (plurality, in the case of the election of directors) of the votes cast by the holders of shares of such class or classes or series shall be the act of such class or classes or series.

Section 9. Adjournment and Notice of Adjourned Meetings. Any meeting of stockholders, whether annual or special, may be adjourned from time to time either by the chair of the meeting or by the vote of a majority of the shares casting votes, excluding abstentions. When a meeting is adjourned to another time or place, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting if the time and place thereof are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, set forth in the notice of meeting, or, in the case of a meeting held solely by means of remote communications, displayed during the time scheduled for the meeting on the virtual platform utilized for the meeting. At the adjourned meeting the Corporation may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting. If, after the adjournment, a new record date for stockholders entitled to vote is fixed for the adjourned meeting, the Board of Directors shall fix a new record date for notice of such adjourned meeting in accordance with Section 213(a) of the General Corporation Law of Delaware (the "DGCL"), and shall give notice of the adjourned meeting to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at such adjourned meeting as of the record date fixed for notice of such adjourned meeting.

Section 10. Voting Rights. For the purpose of determining those stockholders entitled to vote at any meeting of the stockholders, except as otherwise provided by law, only persons in whose names shares stand on the stock records of the Corporation on the record date, as provided in <u>Section 12</u> of these By-Laws, shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of stockholders. Every person entitled to vote or execute consents shall have the right to do so either in person or by an agent or agents authorized by a proxy granted in accordance with the DGCL. An agent so appointed need not be a stockholder. No proxy shall be voted after three (3) years from its date of creation unless the proxy provides for a longer period.

Section 11. Joint Owners of Stock. If shares or other securities having voting power stand of record in the names of two (2) or more persons, whether fiduciaries, members of a partnership, joint tenants, tenants in common, tenants by the entirety, or otherwise, or if two (2) or more persons have the same fiduciary relationship respecting the same shares, unless the Secretary is given written notice to the contrary and is furnished with a copy of the instrument or order appointing them or creating the relationship wherein it is so provided, their acts with respect to voting shall have the following effect: (a) if only one (1) votes, such person's act binds all; (B) if more than one (1) votes, the act of the majority so voting binds all; (c) if more than one votes, but the vote is evenly split on any particular matter, each faction may vote the securities in question proportionally, or may apply to the Delaware Court of Chancery for relief as provided in Section 217(b) of the DGCL. If the instrument filed with the Secretary shows that any such tenancy is held in unequal interests, a majority or even-split for the purpose of subsection (c) shall be a majority or even-split in interest.

Section 12. List of Stockholders. The Secretary shall prepare and make, at least ten (10) days before every meeting of stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting; provided, however, if the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote is less than ten (10) days before the meeting date, the list shall reflect the stockholders entitled to vote as of the tenth (10th) day before the meeting date, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. Nothing contained in this Section 12 shall require the Corporation to include electronic mail addresses or other electronic contact information on such list. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder for any purpose germane to the meeting for a period of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting: (i) on a reasonably accessible electronic network, provided that the information required to gain access to such list is provided with the notice of the meeting, or (ii) during ordinary business hours, at the principal place of business of the Corporation. In the event that the Corporation determines to make the list available on an electronic network, the Corporation may take reasonable steps to ensure that such information is available only to stockholders of the Corporation.

Section 13. Action Without Meeting.

- (a) Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, any action required by statute to be taken at any annual or special meeting of the stockholders, or any action which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of the stockholders, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted.
- (b) Every written consent shall bear the date of signature of each stockholder who signs the consent, and no written consent shall be effective to take the corporate action referred to therein unless, within sixty (60) days of the earliest dated consent delivered to the Corporation in the manner herein required, written consents signed by a sufficient number of stockholders to take action are delivered to the Corporation by delivery to its registered office in the State of Delaware, its principal place of business or an officer or agent of the Corporation having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of stockholders are recorded. Delivery made to a corporation's registered office shall be by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested.
- (c) Prompt notice of the taking of the corporate action without a meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those stockholders who have not consented in writing and who, if the action had been taken at a meeting, would have been entitled to notice of the meeting if the record date for notice of such meeting had been the date that written consents signed by a sufficient number of holders to take the action were delivered to the Corporation as provided in Section 228(c) of the DGCL. If the action which is consented to is such as would have required the filing of a certificate under any section of the DGCL if such action had been voted on by stockholders at a meeting thereof, then the certificate filed under such section shall state, in lieu of any statement required by such section concerning any vote of stockholders, that written consent has been given as provided in Section 228 of the DGCL.

Section 14. Organization.

- (a) At every meeting of stockholders, the Chair of the Board of Directors, or, if a Chair of the Board of Directors has not been appointed or if the Chair of the Board of Directors is absent, the Chief Executive Officer, or if there shall at any time be no Chief Executive Officer or if the Chief Executive Officer is absent, then the President, or, if there shall at any time be no President or if the President is absent, a chair of the meeting chosen by a majority in interest of the stockholders entitled to vote, present in person or by proxy, shall act as chair. The Secretary, or, in the Secretary's absence, an Assistant Secretary directed to do so by the Chief Executive Officer, shall act as secretary of the meeting.
- (b) The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be entitled to make such rules or regulations for the conduct of meetings of stockholder as it shall deem necessary, appropriate, or convenient. Subject to such rules and regulations of the Board of Directors, if any, the chair of the meeting shall have the right and authority to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and to do all such acts as, in the judgment of such chair, are necessary, appropriate or convenient for the proper conduct of the meeting, including, without limitation, establishing an agenda or order of business for the meeting, rules and procedures for maintaining order at the meeting and the safety of those present, limitations on participation in such meeting to stockholder of record of the Corporation and their duly authorized and constituted proxies and such other persons as the chair shall permit, restrictions on entry to the meeting after the time fixed for the commencement thereof, limitations on the time allotted to questions or comments by participants and regulation of the opening and closing of the polls for balloting on matters which are to be voted on by ballot. Unless and to the extent determined by the Board of Directors or the chair of the meeting, meetings of stockholder shall not be required to be held in accordance with rules of parliamentary procedure.

ARTICLE IV

DIRECTORS

Section 15. Number. The authorized number of directors of the Corporation shall be fixed by resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors. Directors need not be stockholders unless so required by the Certificate of Incorporation or by any policy or guidelines of the Corporation. If for any cause, the directors shall not have been elected at an annual

meeting, they may be elected as soon thereafter as convenient at a special meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose in the manner provided in these By Laws.

Section 16. Powers. The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised, its business conducted, and its property controlled by the Board of Directors, except as may be otherwise provided by statute or by the Certificate of Incorporation.

Section 17. Term of Office. Directors shall be elected at each annual meeting of stockholder for a term of one (1) year. Each director shall serve until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her death, resignation, or removal. No decrease in the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

Section 18. Vacancies. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, any vacancies on the Board of Directors resulting from death, resignation, disqualification, removal or other causes and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of directors, shall unless the Board of Directors determines by resolution that any such vacancies or newly created directorships shall be filled by stockholders, be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, even though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors. Any director elected in accordance with the preceding sentence shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the director for which the vacancy was created or occurred and until such director's successor shall have been elected and qualified. A vacancy in the Board of Directors shall be deemed to exist under this By-Law in the case of the death, removal or resignation of any director.

Section 19. Resignation. Any director may resign at any time by delivering his or her written resignation to the Chair of the Board or Chief Executive Officer, such resignation to specify whether it will be effective at a particular time, upon receipt by the Chair of the Board or Chief Executive Officer or at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. If no such specification is made, it shall be deemed effective at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. When one or more directors shall resign from the Board of Directors, effective at a future date, a majority of the directors then in office, including those who have so resigned, shall have power to fill such vacancy or vacancies, the vote thereon to take effect when such resignation or resignations shall become effective, and each director so chosen shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the director whose place shall be vacated and until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 20. Removal. Subject to the rights of the holders of any class or series of stock and any limitations imposed by law, the Board of Directors or any individual director may be removed from office at any time with or without cause by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of all the then-outstanding shares of voting stock of the Corporation, entitled to vote at an election of directors (the "*Voting Stock*").

Section 21. Meetings.

- (a) Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately before or after the annual meeting of stockholders and at the place where such meeting is held. No notice of an annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be necessary and such meeting shall be held for the purpose of electing officers and transacting such other business as may lawfully come before it.
- (b) Regular Meetings. Except as hereinafter otherwise provided, regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held in the office of the Corporation required to be maintained pursuant to Section 2 of these By-Laws. Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation, regular meetings of the Board of Directors may also be held at any place within or without the State of Delaware which has been designated by resolution of the Board of Directors or the written consent of all directors.
- (c) Special Meetings. Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation, special meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at any time and place within or without the State of Delaware whenever called by the Chair of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or any three (3) of the directors.
- (d) Telephone or Videoconference Meetings. Any member of the Board of Directors, or of any committee thereof, may participate in a meeting by means of conference telephone, videoconference, or similar communications

equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in a meeting by such means shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

- (e) Notice of Meetings. Notice of the time and place of all special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be orally or in writing, by telephone, facsimile, electronic mail, or other means of electronic transmission, during normal business hours, at least twenty-four (24) hours before the date and time of the meeting, or sent in writing to each director by first class mail, charges prepaid, at least three (3) days before the date of the meeting. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notice of any meeting may be waived in writing at any time before or after the meeting and will be waived by any director by attendance thereat, except when the director attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.
- (f) Waiver of Notice. The transaction of all business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, or any committee thereof, however called or noticed, or wherever held, shall be as valid as though had at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if a quorum be present and if, either before or after the meeting, each of the directors not present shall sign a written waiver of notice. All such waivers shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

Section 22. Quorum and Voting.

- (a) Unless the Certificate of Incorporation requires a greater number and except with respect to indemnification questions arising under Section 43 of these By-Laws, for which a quorum shall be one-third of the exact number of directors fixed from time to time in accordance with the Certificate of Incorporation, a quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of a majority of the exact number of directors fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in accordance with the Certificate of Incorporation; provided, however, at any meeting whether a quorum be present or otherwise, a majority of the directors present may adjourn from time to time until the time fixed for the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting.
- (b) At each meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum is present, all questions and business shall be determined by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present, unless a different vote be required by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws.
- Section 23. Action Without Meeting. Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the Board of Directors or committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing, and such writing or writings are filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Directors or committee.
- Section 24. Fees and Compensation. Directors shall be entitled to such compensation for their services as may be approved by the Board of Directors, including, if so approved, by resolution of the Board of Directors, a fixed sum and expenses of attendance, if any, for attendance at each regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors and at any meeting of a committee of the Board of Directors. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any director from serving the Corporation in any other capacity as an officer, agent, employee, or otherwise and receiving compensation therefor.

Section 25. Committees.

- (a) Executive Committee. The Board of Directors may by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board of Directors appoint an Executive Committee to consist of one (1) or more members of the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee, to the extent permitted by law and provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, including without limitation the power or authority to issue stock options, and may authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it; but no such committee shall have power or authority to the extent limited by Section 141(c)(2) of the DGCL.
- (b) Other Committees. The Board of Directors may, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board of Directors, from time to time appoint such other committees as may be permitted by law. Such other committees

appointed by the Board of Directors shall consist of one (1) or more members of the Board of Directors and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed by the resolution or resolutions creating such committees, but in no event shall such committee have the powers denied to the Executive Committee in these By-Laws.

- (c) Term. Each member of a committee of the Board of Directors shall serve a term on the committee coexistent with such member's term on the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors, subject to the provisions of subsections (a) or (b) of this By-Law may at any time increase or decrease the number of members of a committee or terminate the existence of a committee. The membership of a committee member shall terminate or the date of his or her death or voluntary resignation from the committee or from the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may at any time for any reason remove any individual committee member and the Board of Directors may fill any committee vacancy created by death, resignation, removal or increase in the number of members of the committee. The Board of Directors may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee, and, in addition, in the absence or disqualification of any member of a committee, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not the member or members they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absent or disqualified member.
- (d) Meetings. Unless the Board of Directors shall otherwise provide, regular meetings of the Executive Committee or any other committee appointed pursuant to this Section 25 shall be held at such times and places as are determined by the Board of Directors, or by any such committee, and when notice thereof has been given to each member of such committee, no further notice of such regular meetings need be given thereafter. Special meetings of any such committee may be held at any place which has been determined from time to time by such committee, and may be called by any director who is a member of such committee, upon written notice to the members of such committee of the time and place of such special meeting given in the manner provided for the giving of written notice to members of the Board of Directors of the time and place of special meetings of the Board of Directors. Notice of any special meeting of any committee may be waived in writing at any time before or after the meeting and will be waived by any director by attendance thereat, except when the director attends such special meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. A majority of the authorized number of members of any such committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the act of a majority of those present at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of such committee.

Section 26. Organization. At every meeting of the directors, the Chair of the Board of Directors, or, if a Chair of the Board of Directors has not been appointed or if the Chair of the Board of Directors is absent, the Chief Executive Officer, or if there shall at any time be no Chief Executive Officer, or if the Chief Executive Officer is absent, then the President, or if there shall at any time be no President or if the President is absent, the most senior Vice President, or, in the absence of any such officer, a chair of the meeting chosen by a majority of the directors present, shall preside over the meeting. The Secretary, or in the Secretary's absence, an Assistant Secretary directed to do so by the Chief Executive Officer, shall act as secretary of the meeting.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

Section 27. Officers Designated. The officers of the Corporation shall be a Chair of the Board, a Chief Executive Officer, a Chief Financial Officer, a Secretary, and such other officers as the Board of Directors may appoint, including a President, a Chief Operating Officer, one or more Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, one or more Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers. Each officer shall have the powers and duties set forth in these By-Laws and as the Board of Directors from time to time shall specify. The Board of Directors may assign such additional titles to one or more of the officers as it shall deem appropriate. Any one person may hold any number of offices of the Corporation at any one time unless specifically prohibited therefrom by law. The salaries and other compensation of the officers of the Corporation shall be fixed by or in the manner designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 28. Duties.

- (a) General. All officers shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board of Directors and until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified, unless sooner removed. Any officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed in accordance with Section 31 of these By-Laws. If the office of any officer becomes vacant for any reason, the vacancy may be filled (i) by the Board of Directors, in the case of the Chief Executive Officer and (ii) by the Chief Executive Officer, in the case of all other officers.
- (b) Duties of Chair of the Board of Directors. The Chair of the Board of Directors, when present, shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors. The Chair of the Board of Directors shall perform other duties commonly incident to the Chair's office and shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors shall designate from time to time.
- (c) Duties of Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Executive Officer shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders and at all meetings of the Board of Directors, unless the Chair of the Board of Directors has been appointed and is present. The Chief Executive Officer, or if there shall at any time be no Chief Executive Officer then the President, shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, have general supervision, direction and control of the business and officers of the Corporation. The Chief Executive Officer, or if there shall at any time be no Chief Executive Officer, then the President, shall perform other duties commonly incident to the Chief Executive Officer's office and shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors shall designate from time to time.
- (d) Duties of Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall keep or cause to be kept the books of account of the Corporation in a thorough and proper manner and shall render statements of the financial affairs of the Corporation in such form and as often as required by the Board of Directors or the Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Financial Officer, subject to the order of the Board of Directors, shall have the custody of all funds and securities of the Corporation. The Chief Financial Officer shall perform other duties commonly incident to the Chief Financial Officer's office and shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors or the Chief Executive Officer shall designate from time to time. The Chief Executive Officer may direct the Treasurer or any Assistant Treasurer, or the Controller or any Assistant Controller to assume and perform the duties of the Chief Financial Officer in the absence or disability of the Chief Financial Officer, and each Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer and each Controller and Assistant Controller shall perform other duties commonly incident to the Chief Financial Officer's office and shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors or the Chief Executive Officer shall designate from time to time.
- (e) Duties of President. The President shall perform such duties commonly incident to the office and shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer shall designate from time to time. As provided in Section 28(c) of these By-Laws, in the absence or disability of the Chief Executive Officer or if the office of Chief Executive Officer is vacant, the President shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders and at all meetings of the Board of Directors, unless the Chair of the Board of Directors has been appointed and is present. If the office of Chief Executive Officer is vacant, the President shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, have general supervision, direction and control of the business and officers of the Corporation.
- (f) Duties of Vice Presidents. The Vice Presidents, if any are appointed, may assume and perform the duties of the Chief Executive Officer or President in the absence or disability of the Chief Executive Officer or President, as applicable. The Vice Presidents shall perform other duties commonly incident to their office and shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer or President shall designate from time to time.
- (g) Duties of Secretary. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors and shall record all acts and proceedings thereof in the minute book of the Corporation. The Secretary shall give notice in conformity with these By-Laws of all meetings of the stockholders and of all meetings of the Board of Directors and any committee thereof requiring notice. The Secretary shall perform all other duties given in these By-Laws and other duties commonly incident to the Secretary's office and shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors shall designate from time to time. The Chief Executive Officer may direct any Assistant Secretary to assume and perform the duties of the Secretary in the absence or disability of the Secretary, and each Assistant Secretary shall perform other duties commonly incident to the Secretary's office and shall also perform

such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer or President shall designate from time to time.

Section 29. Delegation of Authority. The Board of Directors may from time to time delegate the powers or duties of any officer to any other officer or agent, notwithstanding any provision hereof.

Section 30. Resignations. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors or to the Chief Executive Officer or to the Secretary. Any such resignation shall be effective when received by the person or persons to whom such notice is given, unless a later time is specified therein, in which event the resignation shall become effective at such later time. Unless otherwise specified in such notice, the acceptance of any such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. Any resignation shall be without prejudice to the rights, if any, of the Corporation under any contract with the resigning officer.

Section 31. Removal. Any officer may be removed from office at any time, either with or without cause, by the Chief Executive Officer or by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors in office at the time, or by the unanimous written consent of the directors in office at the time, or by any committee or superior officers upon whom such power of removal may have been conferred by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

EXECUTION OF CORPORATE INSTRUMENTS AND VOTING OF SECURITIES OWNED BY THE CORPORATION

Section 32. Execution of Corporate Instruments. The Board of Directors may, in its discretion, determine the method and designate the signatory officer or officers, or other person or persons, to execute on behalf of the Corporation any corporate instrument or document, or to sign on behalf of the Corporation the corporate name without limitation, or to enter into contracts on behalf of the Corporation, except where otherwise provided by law or these By-Laws, and such execution or signature shall be binding upon the Corporation.

Unless otherwise specifically determined by the Board of Directors or otherwise required by law, promissory notes, deeds of trust, mortgages and other evidences of indebtedness of the Corporation, and other corporate instruments or documents requiring the corporate seal, and certificates of shares of stock owned by the Corporation, shall be executed, signed or endorsed by the Chair of the Board of Directors, or the Chief Executive Officer, or if there shall at any time be no Chief Executive Officer, then the President, or such other officer(s) of the Corporation authorized in writing by the Board of Directors. All other instruments and documents requiring the corporate signature, but not requiring the corporate seal, may be executed as aforesaid or in such other manner as may be directed by the Board of Directors.

All checks and drafts drawn on banks or other depositaries on funds to the credit of the Corporation or in special accounts of the Corporation shall be signed by such person or persons as the Board of Directors shall authorize so to do.

Unless authorized or ratified by the Board of Directors or within the agency power of an officer, no officer, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the Corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable for any purpose or for any amount.

Section 33. Voting of Securities Owned by the Corporation. All stock and other securities of other corporations owned or held by the corporation for itself, or for other parties in any capacity, shall be voted, and all proxies with respect thereto shall be executed, by the person authorized so to do by resolution of the Board of Directors, or, in the absence of such authorization, by the Chair of the Board of Directors, or the Chief Executive Officer.

ARTICLE VII

SHARES OF STOCK

Section 34. Form and Execution of Certificates; Uncertificated Shares. Certificates for the shares of stock of the Corporation shall be in such form as is consistent with the Certificate of Incorporation and applicable law; provided that the Board of Directors may provide by resolution or resolutions that some or all of any or all classes or series of its stock shall be uncertificated shares. Any such resolution shall not apply to shares represented by a certificate until such certificate is surrendered to the Corporation. Every holder of stock in the Corporation represented by certificates shall be entitled to have a certificate signed by or in the name of the Corporation by the Chair of the Board of Directors, or the Chief Executive Officer, or any Vice President and by the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer or the Secretary or Assistant Secretary, certifying the number of shares owned by such holder in the Corporation. Any or all of the signatures on the certificate may be facsimiles. In the case any officer, transfer agent, or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to be such officer, transfer agent, or registrar before such certificate is issued, it may be issued with the same effect as if he or she were such officer, transfer agent, or registrar at the date of issue. Each certificate shall state upon the face or back thereof, in full or in summary, all of the powers, designations, preferences, and rights and the limitations or restrictions of the shares authorized to be issued or shall, except as otherwise required by law, set forth on the face or back a statement that the Corporation will furnish without charge to each stockholder who so requests the powers, designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional, or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences and/or rights. Within a reasonable time after the issuance or transfer of uncertificated stock, the Corporation shall send to the registered owner thereof a written notice containing the information required to be set forth or stated on certificates pursuant to this section or otherwise required by law or with respect to this section a statement that the Corporation will furnish without charge to each stockholder who so requests the powers, designations, preferences and relative participating, optional or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences and/or rights. Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, the rights and obligations of the holders of certificates representing stock, or uncertificated shares, of the same class and series shall be identical.

Section 35. Lost Certificates. The Corporation may issue a new certificate of stock or uncertificated shares in place of any certificate theretofore issued by the Corporation alleged to have been lost, stolen, or destroyed, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the person claiming the certificate of stock to be lost, stolen, or destroyed. The Corporation may require, as a condition precedent to the issuance of a new certificate or certificates or uncertificated shares, the owner of such lost, stolen, or destroyed certificate or certificates, or the owner's legal representative, to advertise the same in such manner as it shall require or to give the Corporation a surety bond in such form and amount as it may direct as indemnity against any claim that may be made against the Corporation with respect to the certificate alleged to have been lost, stolen, or destroyed.

Section 36. Transfers.

- (a) Transfers of record of shares of stock of the Corporation shall be made only upon its books by the holders thereof, in person or by attorney duly authorized, and upon the surrender of a properly endorsed certificate or certificates for a like number of shares (or, with respect to uncertificated shares, by delivery of duly executed instructions or in any other manner permitted by applicable law).
- (b) The Corporation shall have power to enter into and perform any agreement with any number of stockholders of any one or more classes of stock of the Corporation to restrict the transfer of shares of stock of the Corporation of any one or more classes owned by such stockholders in any manner not prohibited by the DGCL.

Section 37. Fixing Record Dates.

(a) In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, the Board of Directors may fix, in advance, a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board of Directors, and which record date shall not be more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting. If no record date is fixed by the Board of Directors, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall be at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which notice is given, or if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held. A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.

(b) In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board of Directors may fix, in advance, a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted, and which record date shall be not more than sixty (60) days prior to such action. If no record date is fixed, the record date for determining stockholders for any such purpose shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Board of Directors adopts the resolution relating thereto.

Section 38. Registered Stockholders. The Corporation shall be entitled to recognize the exclusive right of a person registered on its books as the owner of shares to receive dividends, and to vote as such owner, and shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or shares on the part of any other person whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by the laws of Delaware.

ARTICLE VIII

OTHER SECURITIES OF THE CORPORATION

Section 39. Execution of Other Securities. All bonds, debentures and other corporate securities of the Corporation, other than stock certificates (covered in Section 34), may be signed by the Chair of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, or such other person as may be authorized by the Board of Directors, and the corporate seal impressed thereon or a facsimile of such seal imprinted thereon and attested by the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, or the Chief Financial Officer or Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer; provided, however, that where any such bond, debenture or other corporate security shall be authenticated by the manual signature, or where permissible facsimile signature, of a trustee under an indenture pursuant to which such bond, debenture or other corporate security shall be issued, the signatures of the persons signing and attesting the corporate seal on such bond, debenture or other corporate security may be the imprinted facsimile of the signatures of such persons. Interest coupons appertaining to any such bond, debenture or other corporate security, authenticated by a trustee as aforesaid, shall be signed by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer of the Corporation or such other person as may be authorized by the Board of Directors, or bear imprinted thereon the facsimile signature of such person. In case any officer who shall have signed or attested any bond, debenture or other corporate security, or whose facsimile signature shall appear thereon or on any such interest coupon, shall have ceased to be such officer before the bond, debenture or other corporate security so signed or attested shall have been delivered, such bond, debenture or other corporate security nevertheless may be adopted by the Corporation and issued and delivered as though the person who signed the same or whose facsimile signature shall have been used thereon had not ceased to be such officer of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IX

DIVIDENDS

Section 40. Declaration of Dividends. Dividends upon the capital stock of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation, if any, may be declared by the Board of Directors pursuant to law at any regular or special meeting. Dividends may be paid in cash, in property, or in shares of the capital stock, subject to the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation.

Section 41. Dividend Reserve. Before payment of any dividend, there may be set aside out of any funds of the Corporation available for dividends such sum or sums as the Board of Directors from time to time, in their absolute discretion, think proper as a reserve or reserves to meet contingencies, or for equalizing dividends, or for repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation, or for such other purpose as the Board of Directors shall think conducive to the interests of the Corporation, and the Board of Directors may modify or abolish any such reserve in the manner in which it was created.

ARTICLE X

FISCAL YEAR

Section 42. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XI

INDEMNIFICATION

Section 43. Indemnification of Directors, Executive Officers, Other Officers, Employees and Other Agents.

- (a) Directors and Executive Officers. The Corporation shall indemnify its directors and executive officers (for the purposes of this Article XI, "executive officers" shall have the meaning defined in Rule 3b-7 promulgated under the 1934 Act) to the fullest extent not prohibited by the DGCL; provided, however, that the Corporation may modify the extent of such indemnification by individual contracts with its directors and executive officers; and, provided, further, that the Corporation shall not be required to indemnify any director or executive officer in connection with any proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person unless (i) such indemnification is expressly required to be made by law, (ii) the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, (iii) such Indemnification is provided by the Corporation, in its sole discretion, pursuant to the powers vested in the Corporation under the DGCL, or (iv) such indemnification is required to be made under subsection (d).
- (b) Other Officers, Employees and Other Agents. The Corporation shall have power to indemnify its other officers, employees and other agents as set forth in the DGCL.
- (c) Expenses. The Corporation shall advance to any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or executive officer, of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director or executive officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, prior to the final disposition of the proceeding, promptly following request therefor, all expenses incurred by any director or executive officer in connection with such proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such person to repay said amounts if it should be determined ultimately that such person is not entitled to be indemnified under this By-Law or otherwise.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, unless otherwise determined pursuant to paragraph (e) of this By-Law, no advance shall be made by the Corporation to an executive officer of the Corporation (except by reason of the fact that such executive officer is or was a director of the Corporation in which event this paragraph shall not apply) in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, if a determination is reasonably and promptly made by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the proceeding, or (ii) if such quorum is not obtainable, or, even if obtainable, a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, that the facts known to the decision-making party at the time such determination is made demonstrate clearly and convincingly that such person acted in bad faith or in a manner that such person did not believe to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation.

(d) Enforcement. Without the necessity of entering into an express contract, all rights to indemnification and advances to directors and executive officers under this By-Law shall be deemed to be contractual rights and be effective to the same extent and as if provided for in a contract between the Corporation and the director or executive officer. Any right to indemnification or advances granted by this By-Law to a director or executive officer shall be enforceable by or on behalf of the person holding such right in any court of competent jurisdiction if (i) the claim for indemnification or advances is denied, in whole or in part, or no disposition of such claim is made within ninety (90) days of request therefor. The claimant in such enforcement action, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting his or her claim. In connection with any claim for indemnification, the Corporation shall be entitled to raise as a defense to any such action that the claimant has not met the standards of conduct that make it permissible under the DGCL for the Corporation to indemnify the claimant for the amount claimed. In connection with any claim by an executive officer of the Corporation (except in any action, suit or

proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that such executive officer is or was a director of the Corporation) for advances, the Corporation shall be entitled to raise a defense as to any such action clear and convincing evidence that such person acted in bad faith or in a manner that such person did not believe to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, or with respect to any criminal action or proceeding that such person acted without reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was lawful. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such action that indemnification of the claimant is proper in the circumstances because such claimant has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the DGCL, nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) that the claimant has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that claimant has not met the applicable standard of conduct. In any suit brought by a director or executive officer to enforce a right to indemnification or to an advancement of expenses hereunder, the burden of proving that the director or executive officer is not entitled to be indemnified, or to such advancement of expenses, under this Article XI or otherwise shall be on the Corporation.

- (e) Non-Exclusivity of Rights. The rights conferred on any person by this By-Law shall not be exclusive of any other right which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Certificate of Incorporation, By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise, both as to action in such person's official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding office. A right to indemnification or to advancement of expenses arising under a provision of the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-laws shall not be eliminated or impaired by an amendment to such provision after the occurrence of the act or omission that is the subject of the civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit or proceeding for which indemnification or advancement of expenses is sought, unless the provision in effect at the time of such act or omission explicitly authorizes such elimination or impairment after such action or omission has occurred. The Corporation is specifically authorized to enter into individual contracts with any or all of its directors, officers, employees or agents respecting indemnification and advances, to the fullest extent not prohibited by the DGCL.
- (f) Survival of Rights. The rights conferred on any person by this By-Law shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or other agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.
- (g) Insurance. To the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, the Corporation, upon approval by the Board of Directors, may purchase insurance on behalf of any person required or permitted to be indemnified pursuant to this By-Law
- (h) Amendments. Any repeal or modification of this By-Law shall only be prospective and shall not affect the rights under this By-Law in effect at the time of the alleged occurrence of any action or omission to act that is the cause of any proceeding against any agent of the Corporation.
- (i) Saving Clause. If this By-Law or any portion hereof shall be invalidated on any ground by any court of competent jurisdiction, then the Corporation shall nevertheless indemnify each director and executive officer to the full extent not prohibited by any applicable portion of this By-Law that shall not have been invalidated, or by any other applicable law.
 - (j) Certain Definitions. For the purposes of this By-Law, the following definitions shall apply:
 - (i) The term "proceeding" shall be broadly construed and shall include, without limitation, the investigation, preparation, prosecution, defense, settlement, arbitration and appeal of, and the giving of testimony in, any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative.
 - (ii) The term "expenses" shall be broadly construed and shall include, without limitation, court costs, attorneys' fees, witness fees, fines, amounts paid in settlement or judgment and any other costs and expenses of any nature or kind incurred in connection with any proceeding.
 - (iii) The term the "Corporation" shall include, in addition to the resulting corporation, any constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consolidation or merger which, if its separate

existence had continued, would have had power and authority to indemnify its directors, officers, and employees or agents, so that any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of such constituent corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such constituent corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall stand in the same position under the provisions of this By-Law with respect to the resulting or surviving corporation as such person would have with respect to such constituent corporation if its separate existence had continued.

- (iv) References to a "director," "executive officer," "officer," "employee," or "agent" of the corporation shall include, without limitation, situations where such person is serving at the request of the corporation as, respectively, a director, executive officer, officer, employee, trustee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise.
- (v) References to "other enterprises" shall include employee benefit plans; references to "fines" shall include any excise taxes assessed on a person with respect to an employee benefit plan; and references to "serving at the request of the Corporation" shall include any service as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation which imposes duties on, or involves services by, such director, officer, employee, or agent with respect to an employee benefit plan, its participants, or beneficiaries; and a person who acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of an employee benefit plan shall be deemed to have acted in a manner "not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation" as referred to in this By-Law.

ARTICLE XII

NOTICES

Section 44. Notices.

- (a) Notice to Stockholders. Whenever, under any provisions of these By-Laws, notice is required to be given to any stockholder, it shall be given in writing, timely and duly deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to such stockholder's last known post office address as shown by the stock record of the Corporation or its transfer agent.
- (b) Notice to Directors. Any notice required to be given to any director may be given by the method stated in subsection (a), or by facsimile, electronic mail, or other means of electronic transmission, except that such notice other than one which is delivered personally shall be sent to such address as such director shall have filed in writing with the Secretary, or, in the absence of such filing, to the last known post office address of such director.
- (c) Affidavit of Mailing. An affidavit of mailing, executed by a duly authorized and competent employee of the Corporation or its transfer agent appointed with respect to the class of stock affected, specifying the name and address or the names and addresses of the stockholder or stockholders, or director or directors, to whom any such notice or notices was or were given, and the time and method of giving the same, shall in the absence of fraud, be prima facie evidence of the facts therein contained.
- (d) Time Notices Deemed Given. All notices given by mail, as above provided, shall be deemed to have been given as at the time of mailing, and all notices given by facsimile, electronic mail, or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have been given as of the sending time recorded at time of transmission.
- (e) Methods of Notice. It shall not be necessary that the same method of giving notice be employed in respect of all directors, but one permissible method may be employed in respect of any one or more, and any other permissible method or methods may be employed in respect of any other or others.
- (f) Failure to Receive Notice. The period or limitation of time within which any stockholder may exercise any option or right, or enjoy any privilege or benefit, or be required to act, or within which any director may exercise any power or right, or enjoy any privilege, pursuant to any notice sent such stockholder or director in the manner above

provided, shall not be affected or extended in any manner by the failure of such stockholder or such director to receive such notice.

- (g) Notice to Person with Whom Communication Is Unlawful. Whenever notice is required to be given, under any provision of law or of the Certificate of Incorporation or By-Laws of the Corporation, to any person with whom communication is unlawful, the giving of such notice to such person shall not be required and there shall be no duty to apply to any governmental authority or agency for a license or permit to give such notice to such person. Any action or meeting which shall be taken or held without notice to any such person with whom communication is unlawful shall have the same force and effect as if such notice had been duly given. In the event that the action taken by the corporation is such as to require the filing of a certificate under any provision of the DGCL, the certificate shall state, if such is the fact and if notice is required, that notice was given to all persons entitled to receive notice except such persons with whom communication is unlawful.
- (h) Notice to Person with Undeliverable Address. Whenever notice is required to be given, under any provision of law or the Certificate of Incorporation or By-Laws of the Corporation, to any stockholder to whom (i) notice of two consecutive annual meetings, and all notices of meetings or of the taking of action by written consent without a meeting to such person during the period between such two consecutive annual meetings, or (ii) all, and at least two, payments (if sent by first class mail) of dividends or interest on securities during a twelve (12) month period, have been mailed addressed to such person at his or her address as shown on the records of the Corporation and have been returned undeliverable, the giving of such notice to such person shall not be required. Any action or meeting which shall be taken or held without notice to such person shall have the same force and effect as if such notice had been duly given. If any such person shall deliver to the Corporation a written notice setting forth such person's then current address, the requirement that notice be given to such person shall be reinstated. In the event that the action taken by the Corporation is such as to require the filing of a certificate under any provision of the DGCL, the certificate need not state that notice was not given to persons to whom notice was not required to be given pursuant to this paragraph.

ARTICLE XIII

AMENDMENTS

Section 45. Amendments. Subject to paragraph (h) of <u>Section 43</u> of these By-Laws, the By-Laws may be altered or amended or new By-Laws adopted by the affirmative vote of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the voting power of all of the then-outstanding shares of the Voting Stock. The Board of Directors shall also have the power to adopt, amend, or repeal these By-Laws.

Section 46. Forum.

- (a) Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation, (ii) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or other employee of the Corporation to the Corporation or the Corporation's stockholders, (iii) any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL, or the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws (as either may be amended from time to time), or (iv) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine shall be the Court of Chancery in the State of Delaware (or, if the Court of Chancery does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the state of Delaware), in all cases subject to the court having personal jurisdiction over the indispensable parties named as defendants.
- (b) Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the sole and exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, shall be the federal district courts of the United States of America.
- (c) Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of capital stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this <u>Section 46</u>.