

The State of South Carolina,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

CHARTER
BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WHEREAS,

J.E. SIMS, SARA SIMS and JAS. M. RICHARDSON,
all of Greenville, S.C.,

did on the 28th day of May, 1948, file with the Secretary of State a written Declaration,
signed by themselves, setting forth:

FIRST: That their names and residences are as above given.

SECOND: That the name of the proposed corporation is **PIEDMONT TRACTOR AND IMPLEMENT COMPANY,
INC.**

THIRD: That the principal place of business is **GREENVILLE, S.C.**

FOURTH: That the general nature of the business which it is proposed to do is **deal, wholesale and
retail, in farm implements, machinery and supplies, hardware, feedstuffs,
gasoline and lubricating oils.**

FIFTH: That the amount of the capital stock is **Six Thousand (\$6,000.00)** - - - - - Dollars.
payable in cash.

SIXTH: That the number of shares into which the capital stock is divided is **sixty (60)**
of the par value of **One Hundred (\$100.00)** - - - - - Dollars.

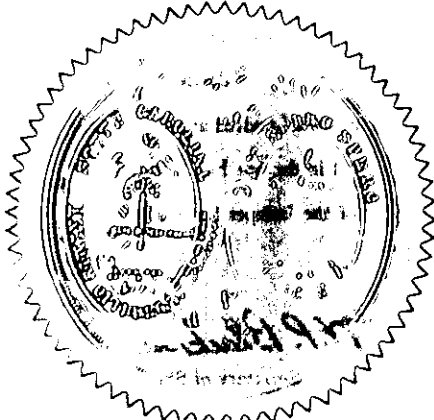
SEVENTH: That, after due notice, a meeting of the subscribers was held on the **10th** day of
March, 1948 at which a majority of all stock in value being present in person or by proxy, the follow-
ing were elected directors:
J.E. Sims, Sara/Sims and R.H. Martin

EIGHTH: That subsequently there was elected as President, **J.E. Sims** ;
as Vice-President **Sara H. Sims** ; as Secretary, **R.H. Martin** ;
as Treasurer, **R.H. Martin**

NINTH: That all requirements of Article 2, Chapter 153, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1932, and all amendments
thereto have been duly and fully complied with, 50 per cent. of the aggregate amount of the capital stock having been subscribed by
bona fide subscribers, 20 per cent. of the capital stock subscribed having been paid to the Treasurer, and three days' public notice
of the intention to file this Declaration with the Secretary of State having been given in **The Observer**
a newspaper published in the County of **Greenville**

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **W. P. BLACKWELL**, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested by the afore-
said Code and Acts amendatory thereto, do hereby certify that the said Company has been fully organized according to the laws of
South Carolina, under the name and for the purposes indicated in their written declaration, and that they are fully authorized to
commence business under their charter; and I do hereby direct that a copy of this certificate be filed and recorded in the office of the
Register of Mesne Conveyance or Clerk of Court in each county where such Corporation shall have a business office.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the State, at Columbia,
this **28th** day of **May**,
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and
forty-eight and in the one hundred and
seventy-second year of the Independence of the
United States of America.



W.P. Blackwell
Secretary of State.

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R. M. C. FOR GREENVILLE COUNTY, S. C.
AT 11 O'CLOCK A. M. NO 2992

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