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ARTICLES OF MERGER

Pursuant to Title 48, Chapter 249 of the Tennessee Code (as amended Act) and Chapter 275 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes (as amended, the "Kentucky Act"), the undersigned parties hereby submit these Articles of Merger ("Articles").

1. Parties. The parties to the merger ("Merger") are as follows:
 - a. Freedom Consulting Engineers, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company that will not survive the Merger (the "Merged Company"); and
 - b. Freedom Consulting Engineers, LLC, a Kentucky limited liability company that will survive the Merger (the "Surviving Company").

2. Plan of Merger. Instead of providing the plan of merger, the Surviving Company hereby certifies that:
 - a. A plan of merger is on file at its principal place of business located at 3593 Cynthiana Road, Georgetown, Kentucky 40324;
 - b. On written request, a copy of the plan of merger will be furnished without cost by the Surviving Company to any of its members; and
 - c. No amendments to the Articles of Organization of the Surviving Company are effectuated by the Merger.

3. Approval of Plan of Merger. The plan of merger has been approved by the governing documents of the parties as required by the Tennessee Act and the Kentucky Act.

4. Service of Process in Kentucky. Surviving Company (a) agrees that it may be served with process in the State of Tennessee in any proceeding for enforcement of any obligation of Merged Company, as well as for enforcement of any obligation of Surviving Company following the Merger and (b) appoints the Secretary of State of the State of Tennessee as its agent for service of process in any such proceeding. A copy of any such process shall be forwarded by mail by the Tennessee Secretary of State to the Surviving Company c/o John K. Ricketts, 3593 Cynthiana Road, Georgetown, Kentucky 40324.

5. Effective Date. These Articles shall become effective as of the day of filing.

[Signature page immediately follows.]

The undersigned parties hereby sign this document subject to the penalties imposed by law for the submission of a materially false or fraudulent instrument. The undersigned certifies that the statements contained herein are true and correct, and that the person signing is authorized under the provisions of the Tennessee Act, the Kentucky Act, and any other law applicable to and governing the merging entity, to execute the filing instrument.

Date: April 30, 2024

"Merged Company"

FREEDOM CONSULTING ENGINEERS,
LLC,
a Tennessee limited liability company

By: John K. Ricketts
John K. Ricketts, Member

"Surviving Company"

FREEDOM CONSULTING ENGINEERS,
LLC,
a Kentucky limited liability company

By: John K. Ricketts
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