



Department of State.

**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
OF**

LINDE GASES OF THE WEST, INC.

I, PETE T. CENARRUSA, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho, hereby certify that duplicate originals of an Application of LINDE GASES OF THE WEST, INC.

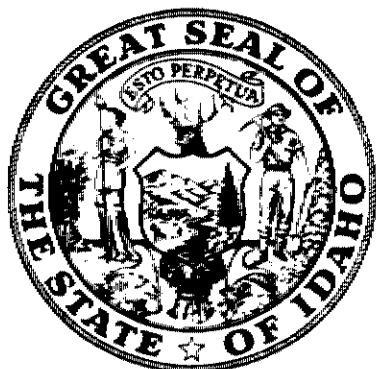
_____ for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in this State, duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of the Idaho Business Corporation Act, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I issue this Certificate of Authority to LINDE GASES OF THE WEST, INC.

to transact business in this State under the name LINDE GASES OF THE WEST, INC.

_____ and attach hereto a duplicate original of the Application for such Certificate.

Dated October 19, 1988



Pete T. Cenarrusa

SECRETARY OF STATE

R. H. Hunsman

Corporation Clerk

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(Profit Corporation)

To the Secretary of State of Idaho

Pursuant to Section 30-1-110, Idaho Code, the undersigned Corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in your State, and for that purpose submits the following statement: Oct 19 8 58 AM '88
SECRETARY OF STATE

1. The name of the corporation is Linde Gases of the West, Inc.

2. The name which it shall use in Idaho is Linde Gases of the West, Inc.

(To be used only when required to avoid a conflict with a name already on file. Must be accompanied by a Board of Directors resolution adopting assumed name in Idaho.)

3. It is incorporated under the laws of Delaware

4. The date of its incorporation is May 14, 1969 and the period of its duration is perpetual

5. The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801

6. The address to which correspondence should be addressed, if different from that in item 5. 1171 Ocean Avenue, P.O. Box 8672, Oakland, California 94662

7. The street address of its proposed registered office in Idaho is 300 North 6th Street, Boise, Idaho 83701, and the name of its proposed registered agent in Idaho at that address is CT Corporation System

8. The purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Idaho are: the sale of welding, industrial and medical gases and the sale and lease of welding, industrial and medical gas cylinders, container and tanks of welding

9. The names and respective addresses of its directors and officers are: medical product, machinery, equipment and supplies

Name	Office	Address
<u>please see attached list</u>		
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(continued on reverse)

Name

Office

Address

10. The corporation accepts and shall comply with the provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Idaho.

11. This Application is accompanied by a certificate of Corporate Status or Existence, duly authenticated by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated.

Dated: _____

Linde Gases of the West, Inc.

(Corporation Name)

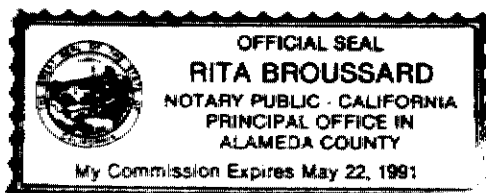
By Stanley P. Filipinski
Its President/Vice President (please specify)

and [Signature]
Its Secretary/Assistant Secretary (please specify)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ALAMEDA) ss:

I, RITA BROUSSARD, a notary public, do hereby certify that on this 20th day of SEPTEMBER, 19 88, personally appeared before me STANLEY P. FILIPSKI, who being by me first duly sworn, declared that (s)he is the PRESIDENT of LINDE GASES OF THE WEST, INC.

that (s)he signed the foregoing document as PRESIDENT of the corporation and that the statements therein contained are true.



Rita Broussard
Notary Public

As of 10/3/88

Linde Gases of the West, Inc.

Officers and Directors

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
S.P. Filipski	President/ Director	1171 Ocean Ave. Oakland, CA 94662
J. Macdonald	Secretary	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
R.A. Bose	Treasurer	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
J.B. Barkowski	Assistant Secretary	2420 Camino Ramon San Ramon, CA 94583
M.A. Reifenheiser	Assistant Secretary	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
P.F. McGovern	Assistant Treasurer	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
S.J. Potz	Assistant Treasurer	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
R.L. Broemmelsiek	Director	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
R.P. Hespe	Assistant Secretary/ Director	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
W.A. Indelicato	Director	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
G.J. Hoeing	Director	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001
J.R. Rivero	Director	39 Old Ridgebury Rd. Danbury, CT 06817-0001

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Office of Secretary of State

I, MICHAEL HARKINS, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE DO HEREBY CERTIFY LINDE GASES OF THE WEST, INC. IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE DATE SHOWN BELOW.

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Michael Harkins
Michael Harkins, Secretary of State
AUTHENTICATION: 1894421

DATE: 10/17/1988