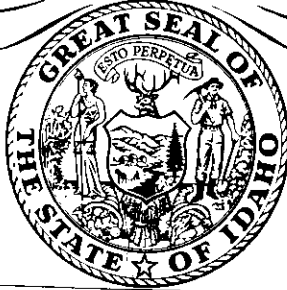


# State of Idaho



## Department of State.

### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

I, ARNOLD WILLIAMS, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho, and legal custodian of the corporation records of the State of Idaho do hereby certify that the original of the articles of incorporation of

#### **BIG STEP MINING COMPANY, INC.**

was filed in the office of the Secretary of State on the **Thirty-first** day of **October,** A.D. One Thousand Nine Hundred **Sixty-two** and duly recorded on Film No. **121** of Record of Domestic Corporations, of the State of Idaho, and that the said articles contain the statement of facts required by Section 30-103, Idaho Code.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, That the persons executing the articles and their associates and successors are hereby constituted a corporation, by the name hereinbefore stated, for **perpetual existence** from the date hereof, with its registered office in this State located at

**Nordman**

in the County of

**Bonner**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State. Done at Boise City, the Capital of Idaho, this **31st** day of **October**, A.D., 1962 .

Secretary of State.

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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BIG STEP MINING COMPANY, INC.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, the undersigned, all being of full age, and all citizens of the United States of America, have this day voluntarily associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Business Corporation Act of the State of Idaho, and to that end we hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I. The name of the corporation shall be BIG STEP MINING COMPANY, INC..

ARTICLE II. The purpose of the corporation is to purchase, locate, lease, or otherwise acquire mines, mining claims, mining rights, and lands and any interest therein, and explore, work, exercise, develop, and turn to account the same; to quarry, mine, smelt, refine, dress, amalgamate, and prepare for market, ore metal and mineral substances of all kinds, and to carry on any other operations or business which may seem necessary, convenient, or incidental to any of the objects of the company; to buy, sell, manufacture, and deal in minerals, plants, machinery, implements, conveniences, provisions, and things capable of being used in connection with the mining or other operations of this corporation, or required by workmen and others employed by the company; to construct, carry out, maintain, improve, manage, work, control, and superintend, any roads, ways, railways, bridges, reservoirs, watercourses, aqueducts, furnaces, mills, crushing works, hydraulic works, factories, warehouses, and other works and conveniences which may seem necessary, convenient, or incidental to any object of the company and to contribute to subsidize, or otherwise aid or take part in any such operations.

ARTICLE III. The period of existence and the duration of the life of the corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE IV. The principal place of business and the location and post office address of its registered office shall be Nordman, Idaho.

ARTICLE V. The stock of the corporation is divided into 500 shares of common stock at \$100.00 par value each.

ARTICLE VI. The total authorized number of par value shares is 500. The aggregate par value of the total authorized number of par value shares is \$50,000.00.

ARTICLE VII. The name and post office address of each of the incorporators and the number of shares for which each subscribes is as follows:

| <u>NAME:</u>         | <u>POST OFFICE ADDRESS:</u> | <u>SHARES:</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Robert C. Murray     | Nordman, Idaho              | 125            |
| Eugene P. Murray     | Priest River, Idaho         | 125            |
| William J. Lindstrom | Nordman, Idaho              | 125            |
| Joseph A. Murray     | Nordman, Idaho              | 125            |

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 29th day of October, 1962.

WITNESSES:

Lewis L. Diegel <sup>Priest River Idaho</sup>

Thomas A. Low <sup>Nordman Ida.</sup>

Irene E. Kando

Kate (Anglin)  
<sup>P.O. 2 Coolin Ida.</sup>

INCORPORATORS:

Robert C. Murray

Eugene P. Murray

William J. Lindstrom

Joseph A. Murray

STATE OF IDAHO, )  
                              : ss.  
County of Bonner, )

On this 29th day of October, 1962, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the State of Idaho, personally appeared Robert C. Murray, Eugene P. Murray, William J. Lindstrom and Joseph A. Murray, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year first above written.

Nahel Lamm  
Notary Public, in and for the State of Idaho,  
residing at Priest River, therein  
My commission expires: 3-24-65