

State of Idaho

Office of the Secretary of State

**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
OF
AEGON USA INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, INC.**

File Number C 145141

I PETE T. CENARRUSA, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho, hereby certify that an Application for Certificate of Authority, duly executed pursuant to the provisions of the Idaho Business Corporation Act, has been received in this office and is found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I issue this Certificate of Authority to transact business in this State and attach hereto a duplicate of the application for such certificate.

Dated: 19 August 2002



Pete T. Cenarrusa
SECRETARY OF STATE

By *[Signature]*
[Signature]



APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY (For Profit)

(Instructions on Back of Application)

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The undersigned Corporation applies for a Certificate of Authority and states as follows:

1. The name of the corporation is: AEGON USA Investment Management, Inc.
2. The name which it shall use in Idaho is: AEGON USA Investment Management, Inc.
3. It is incorporated under the laws of: Iowa
4. Its date of incorporation is: April 12, 1989
5. The address of its principal office is: 4333 Edgewood Road NE, Cedar Rapids,
Iowa 52499-5338
6. The address to which correspondence should be addressed, if different from item 5, is:
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7. The street address of its registered office in Idaho is: 300 North 6th Street, Boise, Idaho
83701, and its registered agent in Idaho at that address is: C T Corporation System
8. The names and respective business addresses of its directors and officers are:

Name	Office	Address
See attached listing		

Dated: August 2, 2002

Signature: M. Christina Galligan

Typed Name: M. Christina Galligan

Capacity: Assistant Vice President

Customer Acct # :

(if using pre-paid account)

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AEGON USA INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC
OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS:

Douglas C. Kolsrud, Chairman of the Board
Brenda K. Clancy
Craig D. Vermie

OFFICERS:

Eric B. Goodman, President & Chief Investment Officer
Kirk W. Buese, Executive Vice President – Private Finance
William S. Cook, Executive Vice President -- Capital Market Strategies
Daniel P. Fox, Executive Vice President – Risk Management
Sarah C. Lange, Executive Vice President – Portfolio Management
David R. Ludke, Executive Vice President
Mark J. Zinkula, Executive Vice President – Public Fixed Income
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David R. Halfpap, Senior Vice President
Steven P. Opp, Senior Vice President
Sarjeev S. Sidhu, Senior Vice President
Christopher R. Sebal, Senior Vice President
Michael B. Simpson, Senior Vice President
Jon L. Skaggs, Senior Vice President
Robert A. Smedley, Senior Vice President
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Stephanie M. Phelps, Vice President
Gregory W. Theobald, Vice President and Assistant Secretary
Jeffrey A. Whitehead, Vice President
M. Christina Galligan, Assistant Vice President
Donna L. Heitzman, Assistant Vice President
Karen E. Hufnagel, Assistant Vice President
Michael N. Meese, Assistant Vice President
Mary T. Pech, Assistant Vice President
Michael J. Rudzik, Assistant Vice President
Paul J. Houk, General Counsel and Secretary
Robert S. Jett III, Assistant Secretary
Brian E. Rolland, Treasurer
Clifton W. Flenniken III, Assistant Treasurer

The address of all the above is 4333 Edgewood Road NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52499



Date: 08/08/2002

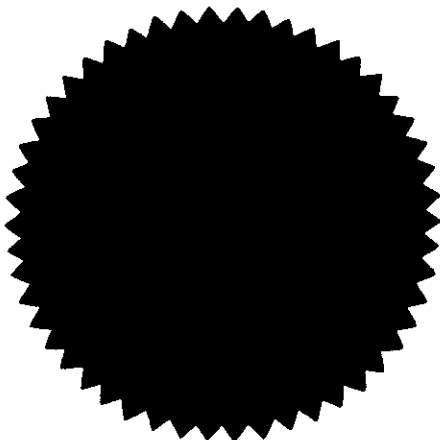
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AEGON USA INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT
CHRIS MS# 5338
4333 EDGEWOOD RD NE
CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 524995338

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

Name: AEGON USA INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, INC.
Begin date: 04/12/1989
Expiration: PERPETUAL

I, CHESTER J. CULVER, secretary of state of the state of Iowa, custodian of the records of incorporations, certify that the corporation named on this certificate is in existence and was duly incorporated under the laws of Iowa on the date printed above, that all fees required by the Iowa Business Corporation Act have been paid by the corporation, that the most recent biennial corporate report has been filed by the secretary of state, and that articles of dissolution have not been filed.



CHESTER J. CULVER SECRETARY OF STATE



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