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Articles of Incorporation – Domestic Nonprofit Corporation

3, 10. The general purpose of the organization is to encourage the reclamation and redevelopment of land negatively affected by past mining practices. This includes reducing hazards to health and safety, eliminating soil erosion, improving water quality, and returning land negatively impacted by past mining practices to productive use – thereby improving the economy of the region. To facilitate land reclamation and redevelopment, the organization will provide guidance and assistance to groups interested in improving water quality of negatively impacted watersheds as a result of water quality degradation caused by untreated abandoned mine drainage.

The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, education, and/or scientific purposes under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, section 170(c) 2 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

Name of Organization	
(! Leston Vatte	(President)
Signature of Officer or Person	<u> </u>
Holding Power of Attorney	

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