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 Name of conveying party(ies): The Smith Truss Company 1-14-03 Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? □ Yes Ø No CORP 	 Name and address of receiving party(ies) Name: Lohmann & Rauscher, Inc. Internal Address: Street Address: Forbes Field Building 140, PO Box
 3. Nature of conveyance: □ Assignment □ Security Agreement □ Other 	<u>19007</u> City: <u>Topeka</u> State: <u>Kansas</u> ZIP: <u>66619-0007</u>
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CERTIFICATE OF MERGER, dated as of the 2/2 day of September, 2001, by and between Lohmann & Rauscher, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("L&R") and The Smith Truss Company, a Kansas corporation ("Smith").

FIRST: That the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated September 27, 2001 (the "Agreement and Plan of Merger"), among L&R and Smith has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by L&R and Smith in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6702;

SECOND: L&R shall, pursuant to the provisions of the Kansas General Corporation Code, be merged with and into Smith, which shall be the surviving corporation upon the effective date of the merger, and shall continue to exist as said surviving corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Kansas General Corporation Code. The separate existence of L&R shall cease upon said effective date in accordance with the provisions of said Kansas General Corporation Code.

THIRD: The Articles of Incorporation of Smith as in effect immediately prior to the effective date of the merger shall be and remain the Articles of Incorporation of the surviving corporation except that such Articles of Incorporation shall, without further act or deed, be deemed to be and shall be amended in their entirety, as of the effective date of the merger, to read in their entirety as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, until amended as provided by Law.

FOURTH: That the executed Agreement of Merger is on file at the principal place of business of the surviving corporation located at: 6700 S.W. Topeka Blvd, Bldg. 281G, Topeka, Kansas 66619.

FIFTH: That a copy of the Agreement of Merger will be furnished by the surviving corporation, on request and without cost, to any stockholder of L&R and Smith.

SIXTH: That the authorized capital stock of L&R is 1,000 shares.

SEVENTH: That this Certificate of Merger and the merger provided for in the Agreement of Merger shall become effective at 12:01 a.m. on October 1, 2001.

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EXHIBIT A

AMENDED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF <u>LOHMANN & RAUSCHER, INC.</u>

ARTICLE FIRST

The name of this corporation is Lohmann & Rauscher, Inc.

ARTICLE SECOND

The location of its principal place of business in this State is 6700 S.W. Topeka Blvd, Bldg. 281G, Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas 66619-0007.

ARTICLE THIRD

The location of the registered office in Kansas is 6700 S.W. Topeka Blvd, Bldg. 281G, Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas 66619-0007, and the resident agent in charge thereof at such address is Michael R. Hall.

ARTICLE FOURTH

This Corporation is organized FOR profit and the nature of its business is:

- A. to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind for any lawful purpose without limit as to amount, with any person, firm, association or corporation, municipality, county, parish, state, territory, government or other municipal or governmental subdivision;
- B. to engage in any other lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Kansas General Corporation Code;
- C. to have and to exercise all powers conferred by the laws of Kansas upon corporations formed under the laws pursuant to and under which this corporation is formed, as such laws are now in effect or may at any time hereafter be amended.

ARTICLE FIFTH

This corporation is authorized to issue two classes of stock, as follows:

- A. 100,000 shares of Class A common stock with full and equal voting rights and each share shall have no par value.
- B. 10,000 shares of Class B common stock, whose rights and privileges as to voting shall be fixed by resolution of a majority of the stockholders at the time of the issuance of the first such share of Class B common stock. Each share of Class B common stock shall have all other rights and privileges accorded or granted to Class A common stock and shall have no par value.

ARTICLE SIXTH

The private property of the stockholders of this Corporation shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatsoever.

ARTICLE SEVENTH

The number of directors of the Corporation shall be fixed by, or in the manner provided in, the Bylaws.

ARTICLE EIGHTH

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The term for which this Corporation is to exist is perpetual
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my name this day of September, 2001.
Michael R. Hall
STATE OF KANSAS
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)
personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, in and fo said County and said State, the above named, who is personally known to me to be the sam person who executed the foregoing instrument in writing, and duly acknowledged the execution of the same
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day o
September, 2001.
Notary Public
My Appointment Expires:
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said The Smith Truss Company has caused this Certificate of Merger to be signed by Michael R. Hall, its president and attested by Kevin K. Fast, its Assistant Secretary on the date first written above.

THE SMITH TRUSS COMPANY

By: Ming Com

ATTESTED:

Kevin K. Fast, Secretary

STATE OF KANSAS))ss. COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that before me Kathy L. Foster Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, came Michael R. Hall, President of said The Smith Truss Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Kansas, personally known to me to be the same person who executed the foregoing certificate, and duly acknowledged the execution of the same as his act and deed and as the act and deed of the corporation this $2T^4$ day of September, 2001.

NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF KANSAS KATHY L. FOSTER MY APPT. EXPIRES . 8-10-03

Notary Public Foster

My Commission expires: 8-10-03

STATE OF KANSAS)
)ss.
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that before me Kathy L. Foster Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, came Kevin K. Fast, Assistant Secretary of said The Smith Truss Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Kansas, personally known to me to be the same person who executed the foregoing certificate, and duly acknowledged the execution of the same as his act and deed and as the act and deed of the corporation this 27^{4} day of September, 2001.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: NOTARY PUBLIC 8-10-03 STATE OF KANSAS KATHY L. FOSTER pereby certify this to be a true and MY APPT. EXPIRES <u>9-16-0-3</u> correct copy of the original on file. Certified on this date: 12/23/2002 2 Ron Thornburgh Secretary of State

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