

PATENT ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET

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SUBMISSION TYPE:	NEW ASSIGNMENT
NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:	MERGER
EFFECTIVE DATE:	12/27/2020

CONVEYING PARTY DATA

Name	Execution Date
VAC-TRON EQUIPMENT, LLC	12/17/2020

RECEIVING PARTY DATA

Name:	MCLAUGHLIN GROUP, INC.
Street Address:	2006 PERIMETER RD
City:	GREENVILLE
State/Country:	SOUTH CAROLINA
Postal Code:	29605

PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 21

Property Type	Number
Application Number:	14817354
Application Number:	15420575
Application Number:	15454371
Application Number:	13459308
Application Number:	13602403
Application Number:	13568342
Application Number:	14035337
Application Number:	14044984
Application Number:	14050622
Application Number:	14133745
Application Number:	14579486
Application Number:	12984590
Application Number:	15454428
Application Number:	14597583
Application Number:	14643179
Application Number:	15042536
Application Number:	15201745
Application Number:	15284018
Application Number:	15623766

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Property Type	Number
Application Number:	15191869
Application Number:	13568390

CORRESPONDENCE DATA

Fax Number:

Correspondence will be sent to the e-mail address first; if that is unsuccessful, it will be sent using a fax number, if provided; if that is unsuccessful, it will be sent via US Mail.

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ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER:	489825-9000
NAME OF SUBMITTER:	RICHARD L. KAISER
SIGNATURE:	/Richard L. Kaiser/
DATE SIGNED:	05/03/2021

Total Attachments: 10

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ARTICLES OF MERGER
Corporation – Domestic and Foreign

Pursuant to Section 33-11-105 of the 1976 S.C. Code of Laws, as amended, the undersigned as the surviving corporation in a merger, hereby submits the following information:

1. The name of the surviving corporation is

MCLAUGHLIN GROUP, INC.

2. Attached hereto and made a part of hereof is a copy of the Merger (see S.C. Code of Laws, Title 33, Chapter 11). Duplicate copies of the Plan of Merger must be attached in order for this form to be filed.

3. Complete the following information to the extent it is relevant with respect to each corporation which is a party to the transaction.

(a) Name of the corporation:

MCLAUGHLIN GROUP, INC.

Complete either (1) or (2), whichever is applicable.

- (1) Shareholder approval of the merger was not required [see S.C. Code of Laws §33-11-103(h)]
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MCLAUGHLIN GROUP, INC.

Name of Surviving Corporation

(b) Name of the corporation:

Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC

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Date: 12/17/2020

Name of the Surviving Corporation:

MCLAUGHLIN GROUP, INC.

Signed as Filer: Sheridan DeJong

(Signature)

Steve Van Dusseldorp

(Print Name)

Secretary and Treasurer

(Office)

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Business Name: McLaughlin Group, Inc.


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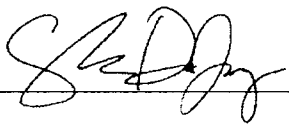
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- The filing party signs the digital form on behalf of official signee.
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Required for forms where the signee is not present upon online submission and a filing party is providing a digital signing on their behalf. If the provided space is not enough, please attach multiple pages.

Sheridan DeJong	12/17/2020
Name	Date
	Attorney
Signature	Title / Position
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Sheridan C.

From: Steve Van Dusseldorp <svdusseldorp@vermeer.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 12:39 PM
To: Lindner, Allison M.; DeJong, Sheridan C.
Cc: Michelle Dirks; Ryan Agre
Subject: Written Consent to File Articles of Merger

[CAUTION - EXTERNAL EMAIL] DO NOT reply, click links, or open attachments unless you have verified the sender and know the content is safe.

I, Steve Van Dusseldorp, as the Secretary and Treasurer of McLaughlin Group, Inc., hereby authorize the BrownWinick Law Firm, and its attorneys Sheridan C. DeJong and Allison M. Lindner to file the Articles of Merger, (merging Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC with and into McLaughlin Group, Inc.), with the South Carolina Secretary of State at my direction and on my behalf.

Thank you,
Steve Van Dusseldorp
Secretary and Treasurer,
McLaughlin Group, Inc.

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McLaughlin Group, Inc.

Name of Surviving Corporation

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Date: _____

Name of the Surviving Corporation:

McLaughlin Group, Inc.

Steve Van Dusseldorp
(Signature)

Steve Van Dusseldorp
(Print Name)

Secretary and Treasurer
(Office)

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Filing Checklist

- Attach a copy of the Plan of Merger
- If the space in this form is insufficient, please attach additional sheets containing a reference to the appropriate paragraph in this form.
- \$110.00 made payable to the South Carolina Secretary of State
- Include a self-addressed stamped envelope to have a filed copy returned to you by mail.
- Make sure the proper individual has signed the form (Please see S.C. Code of Laws §33-1-200(f))

Corporate forms filed with the Secretary of State should be signed by:

(1) the Chairman of the Board of Directors, president, or another of its officers

(2) if directors have not been selected or the corporation has not been formed, by incorporators or

(3) if the corporation is in the hands of a receiver, trustee or other court appointed fiduciary, by that

- Return all documents to: Secretary of State
Attn: Corporate Filings
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Columbia, SC 29201

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PLAN OF MERGER

THIS PLAN OF MERGER (this “Plan of Merger”) is entered into December 15, 2020 by and among Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and McLaughlin Group, Inc., a South Carolina corporation, (together, referred to hereinafter as the “Constituent Entities”).

WHEREAS, Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC, is a limited liability company organized and existing under the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (the “Delaware Act”) and McLaughlin Group, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the South Carolina Business Corporation Act (the “SC Act,” and together with the Delaware Act, the “Acts”); and

WHEREAS, the respective members, shareholders, directors and managers of the Constituent Entities, as applicable, have approved and adopted this Plan of Merger dated December 15, 2020 between Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC and McLaughlin Group, Inc., in accordance with the Acts and their respective Certificate of Formation, Articles of Incorporation, Operating Agreement, and Bylaws, each as may have been amended from time to time.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements and covenants herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Constituent Entities.** The names of the Constituent Entities are: (1) Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC (“Vac-Tron”), and (2) McLaughlin Group, Inc. (“McLaughlin”).
2. **The Merger.** On the Effective Date (as defined in Section 5), Vac-Tron shall merge with and into McLaughlin (the “Merger”) in accordance with the terms provided in this Plan of Merger and the Acts.
3. **Surviving Entity.** McLaughlin shall be the surviving entity and will continue to exist as a corporation under the laws of the State of South Carolina and shall be referred to hereinafter as “Surviving Entity.”
4. **Name of Surviving Entity.** The name of Surviving Entity shall, from and after the Effective Date, be “McLaughlin Group, Inc.”.
5. **Articles of Merger.** On or before the Effective Date, the Constituent Entities shall execute articles and/or certificates of merger (the “Articles of Merger”) in the form required by the Acts and thereafter file such Articles of Merger in accordance with the Acts as soon as practicable. The Articles of Merger shall state that the Merger is effective December 27, 2020 (the “Effective Date”).
6. **Effect of Merger.** From and after the Effective Date, without any further action by the Constituent Entities or their respective members or shareholders:
 - a. Surviving Entity, as the surviving company in the Merger, shall have all of the rights, privileges, immunities and powers, and shall be subject to all of the duties and liabilities, of a corporation organized under the SC Act;

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- b. Surviving Entity, as the surviving company in the Merger, shall possess all of the rights, privileges, immunities and franchises, of a public as well as a private nature, of both Constituent Entities, and all property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts due on whatever account, including promises to make contributions, and each and every other interest of or belonging to or due to the Constituent Entities, shall be deemed to be and hereby is vested in Surviving Entity, without further act or deed, and the title to any property, or any interest therein, vested in the Constituent Entities shall not revert or be in any way impaired by reason of the Merger;
 - c. Surviving Entity, as the surviving company in the Merger, shall be responsible and liable for the Constituent Entities' liabilities and obligations, and any claim existing or action or proceeding pending by or against one of the Constituent Entities may be prosecuted as if the Merger had not taken place, or Surviving Entity may be substituted in its place;
 - d. Rights of creditors or liens upon the property of the Constituent Entities shall not be impaired by the Merger;
 - e. The separate existence of Vac-Tron shall cease; and
 - f. The Merger shall have such other effects as set forth in the Acts.
7. Organizational Documents. From and after the Effective Date, without any further action by the Constituent Entities or their respective members or shareholders, McLaughlin's organizational documents, including its Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and any amendments thereto, shall continue to govern Surviving Entity.
 8. Management. From and after the Effective Date, without any further action by the Constituent Entities or their respective members or shareholders, Surviving Entity shall have authority to manage the Constituent Entities' business and affairs in accordance with the SC Act and Surviving Entity's organizational documents.
 9. Interests in Vac-Tron. Vac-Tron is a wholly owned subsidiary of McLaughlin. At the Effective Date, without any action on the part of the holder thereof, the units of Vac-Tron outstanding immediately before the Effective Date shall be automatically cancelled and retired, and shall cease to exist.
 10. Counterparts. This Plan of Merger may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Constituent Entities have executed this Plan of Merger by their duly authorized representatives as of the date first set forth above.


VAC-TRON EQUIPMENT, LLC


MCLAUGHLIN GROUP, INC.

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Mark Hammond
SECRETARY OF STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA


By: Steve Van Dusseldorp
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