

**New York State Department of State
Division of Corporations, State Records and Uniform Commercial Code
One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave. Albany, NY 12231**

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF

**Centro de Capacitacion, Investigacion y Demostracion
del Metodo Biointensivo de Cultivo en Nicaragua, Inc.**

Under Section 402 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law

FIRST: The name of the corporation is: Centro de Capacitacion, Investigacion y Demostracion del Metodo Biointensivo de Cultivo en Nicaragua, Inc.

SECOND: The corporation is a corporation as defined in subparagraph (a)(5) of Section 102 (Definitions) of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

THIRD: The purposes for which the corporation (hereinafter referred to as "CCID en Nicaragua" or "the corporation") is formed are as follows:

The purpose for which the Centro de Capacitación, Investigación y Demostración del Método Biointensivo de Cultivo en Nicaragua, Inc. is formed is to support the training of agronomists, agricultural technicians, small-scale growers, and families in Nicaragua and other Central American countries in the "biointensive" methods of organic agriculture and, thereby, provide for the ability to grow food security for themselves and their communities.

Training: CCID en Nicaragua provides training at a research and demonstration center in Nicaragua and also at "satellite" mini-farms in Nicaragua.

CCID en Nicaragua makes available publications, audio-video materials, and web-based courses on the "biointensive" method and other methods of small-scale organic agriculture. CCID en Nicaragua pays for the costs of these materials for agricultural technicians, small-scale growers, and families who do not have the financial means to purchase them.

CCID en Nicaragua funds scholarships and internships for agricultural technicians, small-scale growers, and families who do not have the financial means to participate in training workshops and educational programs.

Investigation: CCID en Nicaragua financially supports the scientific research at the research and demonstration center in Nicaragua on the application of "biointensive" methods as a small-scale agricultural system that, when practiced correctly, builds sustainable soil fertility, conserves natural resources, reduces agricultural water consumption and fuel use, and offsets the causes and effects of climate change by sequestering large quantities of carbon in the soil and reducing the output of greenhouse gases.

Extension: CCID en Nicaragua provides volunteers and pays the salary of technicians to give technical support to growers and other non-government-organizations to increase the number of highly productive, resource-conserving, low-capital-input, cost-effective mini-farms using diverse cropping patterns.

Certification of Instructors: CCID en Nicaragua provides financial support and the infrastructure for Nicaraguans to be certified by Ecology Action (Willits, California) and ECOPOL (Ecología y Población A.C., Mexico) to be instructors of GROW BIOINTENSIVE® .

FOURTH: The corporation shall be a Type B corporation pursuant to Section 201 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

FIFTH: The office of CCID en Nicaragua is to be located in the County of Columbia in the State of New York.

SIXTH: The names and addresses of the four initial directors of the corporation are:

Name: **Michael A. Richardson**

Address: 100 Kinderhook Street, Chatham, New York, 12037, USA

Name: **Rachel Lindsay**

Address #1: 145 West Main Street, Oyster Bay, New York, 11771, USA

Address #2: Apto 433, Correos de Nicaragua, León, Nicaragua

Name: **Luke Pekrul**

Address: 15 Indian Point Drive, New Ulm, Minnesota, 56073, USA

Name: **Carlos Federico Gómez Camey**

Address: Km 10 1/2 Carretera Sur, Reparto Santa Isabel, Casa #59, Managua, Nicaragua

SEVENTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the corporation upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process accepted on behalf of the corporation is:

Michael A. Richardson
Centro de Capacitación del Método Biointensivo en Nicaragua
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Chatham, New York 12037

Incorporator Name: Michael A. Richardson
Address: 100 Kinderhook Street, Chatham, New York, 12037

Signature: _____

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