

NORTH CAROLINA

GUILFORD COUNTY

G. M. Dorland, being the President, and N. P. Hayes, Jr., being the Secretary of CAROLINA STEEL CORPORATION, each being duly sworn, deposes and says: that he signed the foregoing Articles of Merger in his capacity as such officer, that he was duly authorized so to sign; that he has read and understands the meaning and purport of the statements contained therein; and that he is informed and believes that such statements are true.

G. M. Dorland  
N. P. Hayes, Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of December, 1971.

Ruby B. Jackson  
Notary Public

My commission expires:

December 19, 1974

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G. M. Dorland, being the President, and N. P. Hayes, Jr., being the Secretary, of HICKORY STEEL AND IRON COMPANY, each being duly sworn, deposes and says: that he signed the foregoing Articles of Merger in his capacity as such officer; that he has read and understands the meaning and purport of the statements contained therein; and that he is informed and believes that such statements are true.

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