SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-B

Registration of Securities of Certain Successor Issuers

Filed Pursuant to Section 12(b) or (g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 $\,$

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

Incorporated under the laws of the State of Oklahoma

I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number
73-1395733

6100 North Western Avenue Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73115

405/848-8000

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act

Title of each class to be so registered

Name of each exchange on which registered

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 9-1/8% Senior Notes due 2006 New York Stock Exchange New York Stock Exchange

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

ITEM 1. General Information

- (a) Chesapeake Energy Corporation, an Oklahoma corporation, was incorporated on November 19, 1996 (the "Registrant"). Its predecessor, Chesapeake Energy Corporation, a Delaware corporation, was incorporated in Delaware on December 26, 1991 (the "Predecessor").
 - (b) The Registrant's fiscal year ends June 30.

ITEM 2. Transaction of Succession

- (a) At the time of succession, the sole shareholder of the Registrant will be the Predecessor. The Predecessor's common stock, par value \$0.10, and the Predecessor's 9-1/8% Senior Notes due 2006 ("Predecessor Senior Notes") were registered under Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act").
- (b) At 5:00 p.m., CST, on December 31, 1996 (the "Effective Time of the Merger"), the Registrant will succeed to the business of the Predecessor pursuant to a merger of the Predecessor with and into the Registrant (the "Merger"). The Registrant is presently a transitory, wholly-owned subsidiary of the Predecessor, and the sole purpose of the Merger is to effect a reincorporation of the Predecessor in Oklahoma, in accordance with the terms of the Certificate of Ownership and Merger (the "Certificate") merging the Predecessor into the Registrant. The Certificate is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1 and the description of the Merger set forth therein is incorporated herein by reference. The Certificate has been filed as Exhibit A to the definitive Proxy Statement of the Predecessor dated November 6, 1996, a copy of which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 6, 1996.

At the Effective Time of the Merger, each outstanding share of

common stock of the Predecessor will be converted into one share of common stock, par value \$0.01, of the Registrant, without any action on the part of the holder thereof; all outstanding stock options to acquire common stock of the Predecessor will be converted into stock options to acquire an equivalent number of shares of common stock of the Registrant on identical terms and conditions; and each outstanding Predecessor Senior Note will be converted into an equivalent 9-1/8% Senior Note due 2006 of the Registrant (the "Registrant Senior Notes") on identical terms and conditions.

Item 3. Securities to be Registered

The Registrant has 100,000,000 shares of \$.01 par value common stock authorized. Approximately 34,600,000 shares of Registrant's common stock are expected to be issued and outstanding immediately following the Effective Time of the Merger, none of which will be held by or for the account of the Registrant. Immediately following the Effective Time of the Merger, the Registrant will have outstanding \$120,000,000 principal amount of Registrant Senior Notes, none of which will be held by or for the account of the Registrant.

Item 4. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered

The title of the equity securities to be registered are the Registrant's common stock, par value \$0.01. The Registrant's common stock is subject to the express terms of its preferred stock, of which 10,000,000 shares are authorized, but none are outstanding. The holders of common stock have equal, ratable rights to dividends from funds legally available therefor, when, as and if declared by the board of directors of the Registrant, and are entitled to share ratably in all of the assets of the Registrant available for distribution to holders of common stock upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the affairs of the Registrant. Holders of common stock do not have preemptive, subscription or conversion rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions in the Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation. The outstanding shares of common stock are fully paid and nonassessable. Holders of the Registrant's common stock are entitled to cast one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of the shareholders. The Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation does not provide for cumulative voting by shareholders.

The debt securities to be registered consist of \$120,000,000 principal amount of Registrant Senior Notes. The Registrant Senior Notes will be guaranteed by the full and unconditional guarantees of the following subsidiaries of the Registrant: Chesapeake Operating, Inc., Lindsay Oil Field Supply, Inc., Sander Trucking Company, Inc., Whitmire Dozer Service, Inc. and Chesapeake Exploration Limited Partnership (collectively, the "Subsidiaries"). The Registrant hereby incorporates by reference herein the description of the terms, rights and preferences of the Predecessor Senior Notes and the related guarantees of the Subsidiaries under the caption "Description of Senior Notes" in the Senior Notes Prospectus forming a part of the Registrant's and the Subsidiaries' registration statements on Form S-3 (Nos. 333-1588 and 333-3206).

Item 5. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements

No financial statements are required to be filed with this registration statement because the capital structure and balance sheet of the Registrant immediately after the succession will be substantially the same as those of the Predecessor.

(b) Exhibits

Exhibit						
Number	Description					

- 2.1* Certificate of Ownership and Merger Merging Predecessor into Registrant.
- 3.1* Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation.
- 3.2* Registrant's Bylaws.

- 4.1 Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of September 20, 1996, by and among Chesapeake Energy Corporation, Chesapeake Exploration Limited Partnership, an Oklahoma Limited Partnership and Union Bank of California, N.A., as agent and the lenders from time to time parties hereto. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1996.
- 4.2 Indenture dated as of March 31, 1994, as amended by First Supplemental Indenture dated May 9, 1994, Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of August 31, 1994 and Third Supplemental Indenture dated December 27, 1994, among Chesapeake Energy Corporation, its subsidiaries signatory thereto as Subsidiary Guarantors and United States Trust Company of New York, as Trustee. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibits 4.2 and 4.2(a) to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-4 (No. 33-78218), Exhibit 4.2.1 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1994 and Exhibit 4.2.1 to Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1995.
- 4.3 Indenture dated as of May 15, 1995 among Chesapeake Energy Corporation, its subsidiaries signatory thereto as Subsidiary Guarantors and United States Trust Company of New York, as Trustee. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-4 (No. 33-93718).
- Indenture dated April 1, 1996 among Chesapeake Energy Corporation, its subsidiaries signatory thereto as Subsidiary Guarantors and United States Trust Company of New York, as Trustee. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.6 to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-3 Registration Statement (No. 333-1588).
- 4.5 Agreement to furnish copies of unfiled long-term debt instruments. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1993.
- 4.7 Pledge Agreement dated as of March 31, 1994, as amended by First Amendment to Pledge Agreement dated as of August 31, 1994 and Second Amendment to Pledge Agreement dated as of December 27, 1994, among Chesapeake Energy Corporation, Chesapeake Operating, Inc., Lindsay Oil Field Supply, Inc. and United States Trust Company of New York. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit B to Indenture filed as Exhibit 4.2 to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-4 (No. 33-78218), Exhibit 4.7.1 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 1995, and Exhibit 4.7.1 to Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1995.
- 4.8 Stock Registration Agreement dated May 21, 1992 between Chesapeake Energy Corporation and various lenders, as amended by First Amendment thereto dated May 26, 1992. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibits 10.26.1 and 10.26.2 to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-1 (No. 33-55600).
- 10.1.1** Registrant's 1992 Incentive Stock Option Plan.
 Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1.1 to
 Registrant's registration statement on Form S-4 (No.
 33-93718).
- 10.1.2** Registrant's 1992 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan.
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 ended June 30, 1996.
- 10.1.3** Registrant's 1994 Stock Option Plan. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99 to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-8 (No. 33-88196).
- 10.2.1** Employment Agreement dated as of July 1, 1995 between Aubrey K. McClendon and Chesapeake Energy Corporation. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2.1 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the

quarter ended September 30, 1995.

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- 10.2.3** Employment Agreement dated as of March 1, 1995 between Marcus C. Rowland and Chesapeake Energy Corporation.
 Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2.3 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1995.
- 10.2.4** Employment Agreement dated as of July 1, 1995 between Steven C. Dixon and Chesapeake Energy Corporation. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2.4 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1995.
- 10.2.5** Employment Agreement dated as of July 1, 1995 between J. Mark Lester and Chesapeake Energy Corporation.
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- 10.2.8** Employment Agreement dated as of July 1, 1995 between Martha A. Burger and Chesapeake Operating, Inc.
 Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2.8 to Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1996.
- 10.3** Form of Indemnity Agreement for officers and directors of Registrant and its subsidiaries. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.30 to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-1 (No. 33-55600).
- Indemnity and Stock Registration Agreement, as amended by First Amendment (Revised) thereto, dated as of February 12, 1993, and as amended by Second Amendment thereto dated as of October 20, 1995, among Chesapeake Energy Corporation, Chesapeake Operating, Inc., Chesapeake Investments, TLW Investments, Inc., et al. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.35 to Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1993 and Exhibit 10.4.1 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 1995.
- 10.10 Partnership Agreement of Chesapeake Exploration Limited Partnership dated December 27, 1994 between Chesapeake Energy Corporation and Chesapeake Operating, Inc.
 Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to Registrant's registration statement on Form S-4 (No. 33-93718).
- 21 Subsidiaries of Registrant. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 21 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 1995.

^{*} Filed herewith.

^{**} Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this application for registration (or registration statement) to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

By: AUBREY K. MCCLENDON
Aubrey K. McClendon
Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: December 11, 1996

	EXHIBIT INDEX	
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10.1.2**Registrant's 1992 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan.

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Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.35 to Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1993 and Exhibit 10.4.1 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q

10.10 Chesapeake Exploration Limited Partnership Agreement dated

Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to

December 27, 1994 between Chesapeake Energy Corporation and Chesapeake Operating, Inc.

Subsidiaries of Registrant.

Registrant's registration statement on Form S-4 (No. 33-93718)

Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 21 to Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 21, 1995.

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filed herewith.

^{**} Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP AND MERGER

MERGING
CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION
INTO
CHESAPEAKE OKLAHOMA CORPORATION

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That it owns 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of the capital stock of CHESAPEAKE OKLAHOMA CORPORATION, an Oklahoma corporation ("Chesapeake Oklahoma").

SECOND: That its board of directors at a meeting held on the 15th day of October, 1996, determined to merge the Corporation into CHESAPEAKE OKLAHOMA CORPORATION, and did adopt the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the officers of the Corporation recommended that the Corporation reincorporate under the laws of the State of Oklahoma and the Board of Directors, after discussing the issue, has determined that the reincorporation is in the best interest of the shareholders and the Corporation; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the Corporation's reincorporation, the officers of the Corporation recommended that the Corporation form Chesapeake Oklahoma Corporation ("Chesapeake Oklahoma") to be organized and exist under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Oklahoma, with an authorized capitalization of (i) 100 million shares of common stock, \$.01 par value ("Chesapeake Oklahoma Common Stock"), 10 shares of which will be issued and outstanding prior to the reincorporation, and (ii) 10 million shares of preferred stock, \$.01 par value, no shares of which will be issued and outstanding prior to the reincorporation (all shares of Chesapeake Oklahoma Common Stock outstanding prior to the reincorporation will be held of record and beneficially by the Corporation).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the officers of the Corporation be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to take any and all actions required to reincorporate the Corporation under the laws of the State of Oklahoma, including without limitation, the forming of Chesapeake Oklahoma as a new transitory subsidiary, in accordance with the recitations set forth herein, the listing of the shares of Chesapeake Oklahoma on the New York Stock Exchange, the registration of such shares with the Securities and Exchange Commission and any state securities agency, the assumption by Chesapeake Oklahoma of all existing plans and registration statements of the $% \left(1\right) =\left\{ 1\right\}$ Corporation and such other actions as may be necessary to the effect that the rights and obligations of Chesapeake Oklahoma will be virtually identical to the rights and obligations of the Corporation.

WHEREAS, after the formation of Chesapeake Oklahoma, the Board of Directors deems it advisable and in the best interests of the Corporation and its shareholders that the Corporation merge with and into Chesapeake Oklahoma pursuant to Section 1083 of the Oklahoma General Corporation Act and Section 253 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "Merger") and immediately thereafter for Chesapeake Oklahoma to change its name to Chesapeake Energy Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation and Chesapeake Oklahoma will hereinafter be know as the "Constituent Corporations;" and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors deems it advisable and in the best interests of the Corporation and its shareholders that the Corporation be merged with and into Chesapeake Oklahoma in the manner contemplated herein (the "Plan") and recommend that the Merger and the Plan be approved and adopted by the shareholders of the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Constituent Corporations will be merged into a single corporation by the Corporation merging with and into Chesapeake Oklahoma, which will survive the Merger, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1083 of the Oklahoma General Corporation Act and Section 253 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Upon such Merger, the separate existence of the Corporation will cease, and Chesapeake Oklahoma will become the owner, without transfer, of all rights and property of the Constituent Corporations, and will be subject to all the liabilities of the Constituent Corporations in the same manner as if Chesapeake Oklahoma had itself incurred such liabilities all as provided by the Oklahoma General Corporation Act.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that, on the Effective Date of the Merger, which will be 5:00 p.m., CST, on December 31, 1996 (the "Effective Date of the Merger"), the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws of Chesapeake Oklahoma, as currently in effect, will be the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws of Chesapeake Oklahoma until they are duly amended, except that the name of Chesapeake Oklahoma will be changed to Chesapeake Energy Corporation.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that on the Effective Date of the Merger, the directors and officers of the Corporation will become the directors and officers of Chesapeake Oklahoma until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that on the Effective Date of the Merger (i) each share of Chesapeake Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Date of the Merger, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder thereof, will be converted into one share of Chesapeake Oklahoma Common Stock, (ii) each share of Chesapeake Oklahoma Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Date of the Merger, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder thereof, will be cancelled and no payment will be made in respect thereof, and (iii) upon surrender of any certificates representing Chesapeake Common Stock, stock certificates representing Chesapeake Oklahoma Common Stock will be reissued to the holder thereof.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Plan will be submitted to the shareholders of the Corporation for approval in the manner provided by applicable Oklahoma and Delaware law. After approval by the vote of the holders representing not less than a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of Chesapeake Common Stock entitled to vote on the Merger, the officers are, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to execute and file with the Secretary of State of the States of Oklahoma and Delaware a Certificate of Ownership and Merger and to make any such further filings as may be necessary to effectuate the Merger.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of the Corporation are authorized and directed to execute any and all agreements, documents or consents, and to take any and all actions deemed necessary or desirable to permit the consummation of the Merger as required by: (a) that certain Indenture dated as of March 31, 1994, as supplemented, among the Corporation, its subsidiaries signatory thereto as Subsidiary Guarantors and United States Trust Company of New York, as trustee; (b) that certain Indenture dated as of May 15, 1995 among the Corporation, its subsidiaries signatory thereto as Subsidiary Guarantors and United States Trust Company of New York, as trustee; and (c) that certain Indenture dated as of April 1, 1996 among the Corporation, its subsidiaries signatory thereto as Subsidiary Guarantors and United States Trust Company of New York, as trustee. The execution by the officers, or any one of them, of any such document or agreement, or the doing by them of any act in connection with the foregoing matter, will

conclusively establish their authority therefor from this Board and from the Corporation and the approval, ratification and adoption of any documents or agreements executed and any action taken.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of the Corporation be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute and deliver on behalf of the Corporation all agreements and documents contemplated by the Plan, together with any and all documents and related agreements deemed necessary or desirable by said officer or officers to effectuate the foregoing, each in accordance with the recitations contained herein, and containing such further and different terms and conditions as said officer or officers will deem necessary or desirable to accomplish the objectives set forth herein, and further, that the execution by the officers, or any one of them, of any such document or agreement, or the doing by them of any act in connection with the foregoing matter, will conclusively establish their authority therefor from this Board and from the Corporation and the approval, ratification and adoption of any documents or agreements executed and any action taken.

THIRD: The merger has been approved by a majority of the outstanding stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon at a meeting duly called and held after twenty days' notice of the purpose of the meeting mailed to each such stockholder at his address as it appears in the records of the Corporation.

FOURTH: Chesapeake Oklahoma hereby agrees that it may be served with process in the state of Delaware in any proceeding for enforcement of any obligation of any constituent corporation of Delaware, as well as for enforcement of any obligation of Chesapeake Oklahoma arising from the merger, including any suit or other proceeding to enforce the right of any shareholders as determined in appraisal proceedings pursuant to the provisions of Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, and hereby irrevocably appoints the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as its agent to accept service of process in any such suit or other proceeding. The address to which a copy of such process shall be mailed by the Secretary of State of Delaware is 6100 N. Western Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73118.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this Certificate to be signed by its President and attested to by its Secretary effective the 13th day of December, 1996.

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

By:

President

ATTEST:

Secretary [Seal]

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF CHESAPEAKE OKLAHOMA CORPORATION

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of the Corporation is:

CHESAPEAKE OKLAHOMA CORPORATION

ARTICLE II

Registered Office and Agent

The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Oklahoma is 6104 N. Western Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118. The Corporation's registered agent at such address is Janice A. Dobbs.

ARTICLE III

Purposes

The nature of the business and the purpose of the Corporation shall be to engage in any lawful act or activity and to pursue any lawful purpose for which a corporation may be formed under the Oklahoma General Corporation Act (the "Act"). The Corporation is authorized to exercise and enjoy all powers, rights and privileges which corporations organized under the Act may have as in force from time to time, including, without limitation, all powers, rights and privileges necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV

Capital Stock

The total number of shares of capital stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is One Hundred Ten Million (110,000,000) shares, consisting of Ten Million (10,000,000) shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share and One Hundred Million (100,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share. The preferences, qualifications, limitations, restrictions and the special or relative rights in respect of the shares of each class are as follows:

Section 1. Preferred Stock. The Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series. All shares of Preferred Stock shall be of equal rank and shall be identical, except in respect of the matters that may be fixed and determined by the board of directors as hereinafter provided, and each share of each series shall be identical with all other shares of such series, except as to the date from which dividends are cumulative. The board of directors hereby is authorized to cause such shares to be issued in one or more series and with respect to each such series prior to the issuance thereof to fix and determine the designation, powers, preferences and rights of the shares of each such series and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof.

The authority of the board with respect to each series shall include but not be limited to, determination of the following:

- A. The number of shares constituting a series, the distinctive designation of a series and the stated value of the series, if different from the par value;
- B. Whether the shares of a series are entitled to any fixed or determinable dividends, the dividend rate (if any) on the shares, whether the dividends are cumulative and the relative rights of priority of dividends on shares of that series;
- C. Whether a series has voting rights in addition to the voting rights provided by law and the terms and

conditions of such voting rights;

- D. Whether a series will have or receive conversion or exchange privileges and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange privileges;
- E. Whether or not the shares of a series are redeemable and the terms and conditions of such redemption, including, without limitation, the manner of selecting shares for redemption if less than all shares are to be redeemed, the date or dates on or after which the shares in the series will be redeemable and the amount payable in case of redemption;
- F. Whether a series will have a sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of the shares in the series and the terms and the amount of such sinking fund;
- G. The right of a series to the benefit of conditions and restrictions on the creation of indebtedness of the Corporation or any subsidiary, on the issuance of any additional capital stock (including additional shares of such series or any other series), on the payment of dividends or the making of other distributions on any outstanding stock of the Corporation and the purchase, redemption or other acquisition by the Corporation, or any subsidiary, of any outstanding stock of the Corporation;
- H. The rights of a series in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the corporation and the relative rights of priority of payment of a series; and

Dividends on outstanding shares of Preferred Stock shall be paid or set apart for payment before any dividends shall be paid or declared or set apart for payment on the common shares with respect to the same dividend period.

If upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation the assets available for distribution to holders of shares of Preferred Stock of all series shall be insufficient to pay such holders the full preferential amount to which they are entitled, then such assets shall be distributed ratably among the shares of all series in accordance with the respective preferential amounts (including unpaid cumulative dividends, if any) payable with respect thereto.

Section 2. Common Stock. The Common Stock shall be subject to the express terms of the Preferred Stock and any series thereof. Each share of Common Stock shall be equal to every other share of Common Stock. The holders of shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share of such stock upon all matters presented to the shareholders. Shares of Common Stock authorized hereby shall not be subject to preemptive rights. The holders of shares of Common Stock now or hereafter outstanding shall have no preemptive right to purchase or have offered to them for purchase any of such authorized but unissued shares. The holders of shares of Common Stock now or hereafter outstanding shall have no preemptive right to purchase or have offered to them for purchase any shares of Preferred Stock, Common stock, or other equity securities issued or to be issued by the Company.

Subject to the preferential and other dividend rights applicable to Preferred Stock, the holders of shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends (payable in cash, stock or otherwise) as may be declared on the Common Stock by the Board of Directors at any time or from time to time out of any funds legally available therefor.

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or winding up of the Corporation, after distribution in full of the preferential and/or other amounts to be distributed to the holders of shares of Preferred Stock, the holders of shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation available for distribution to its shareholders, ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them.

ARTICLE V

Limitation of Director Liability

A director of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its shareholders for damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for personal liability for (i) acts or omissions by such director not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (ii) the payment of dividends or the redemption or purchase of stock in violation of Section 1053 of the Act; (iii) any breach of such director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its shareholders; or (iv) any transaction from which such director derived an improper personal benefit.

ARTICLE VI

Certain Stock Purchases

Section 1. Certain Definitions. For the purposes of this $\mbox{\sc Article VI:}$

"Continuing Director" means any member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board") who is unaffiliated with the Interested Shareholder and was a member of the Board prior to the time that the Interested Shareholder became an Interested Shareholder, and any successor of a Continuing Director who is unaffiliated with the Interested Shareholder and is recommended to succeed a Continuing Director by a majority of Continuing Directors then on the Board.

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. $\ensuremath{\text{--}}$

"Fair Market Value" means: (1) in the case of stock, the highest closing sale price during the 30-day period ending on the date in question of a share of such stock on a principal United States securities exchange registered under the Exchange Act on which such stock is listed or in the national market system maintained by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., or, if the stock is not listed on any such exchange or designated as a national market system security, the highest closing bid quotation with respect to a share of such stock during the 30-day period ending on the date in question on the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Automated Quotations system or any system then in use, or if no such quotations are available, the fair market value on the date in question of a share of such stock as determined by the Board in good faith.

"Interested Shareholder" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term under Section 1090.3 of the Act.

Section 2. Vote Required for Certain Stock Purchases.

- A. Any direct or indirect purchase by the Corporation, or any subsidiary of the Corporation, of any capital stock from a person or persons known by a majority of the Continuing Directors of the Corporation to be an Interested Shareholder who has beneficially owned such capital stock for less than three years prior to the date of such purchase, or any agreement in respect thereof, at a price in excess of the Fair Market Value shall require the affirmative vote of no less than 66 2/3% of the votes cast by the holders, voting together as a single class, of all then outstanding shares of capital stock, excluding for this purpose the votes by the Interested Shareholder, unless a greater vote shall be required by law.
- B. Such affirmative vote shall not be required for a purchase or other acquisition of securities of the same class made on substantially the same terms to all holders of such securities and complying with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder (or any subsequent provisions replacing the Exchange Act, rules or regulations). Furthermore, such affirmative vote shall not be required for any purchase effected on the open market and not the result of a privately-negotiated transaction.

The Continuing Directors of the Corporation shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article VI, on the basis of information known to them after reasonable inquiry, whether a person is an Interested Shareholder, and the number of shares of capital stock owned beneficially by any person.

ARTICLE VII

Board of Directors

Section 1. Management by Board of Directors. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be under the direction of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Number of Directors. The number of Directors which shall constitute the whole board shall be not less than three nor more than fifteen, and shall be determined by resolution adopted by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the entire board, or at an annual or special meeting of shareholders by the affirmative vote of sixty-six and two-third percent (66 2/3%) of the outstanding stock entitled to vote. No reduction in number shall have the effect of removing any director prior to the expiration of his term. The number of directors of the Corporation may, from time to time, be increased or decreased in such manner as may be provided in the bylaws of the Corporation.

Section 3. Classes of Directors; Election by Shareholders; Vacancies. The directors shall be divided into three classes, designated Class I, Class II and Class III. Each class shall consist, as nearly as may be possible, of one-third of the total number of directors constituting the entire Board of Directors. The term of the initial Class I directors shall terminate on the date of the 1997 annual meeting of shareholders; the term of the initial Class II directors shall terminate on the date of the 1998 annual meeting of shareholders and the term of the initial Class III directors shall terminate on the date of the 1999 annual meeting of shareholders. At each annual meeting of shareholders beginning in 1997, successors to the class of directors whose term expires at that annual meeting shall be elected for a three-year term. If the number of directors is changed, any increase or decrease shall be apportioned among the classes so as to maintain the number of directors in each class as nearly equal as possible, and any additional directors of any class elected to fill a vacancy resulting from an increase in such class shall hold office for a term that shall coincide with the remaining term of that class, but in no case will a decrease in the number of directors shorten the term of any incumbent director. A director shall hold office until the annual meeting for the year in which his term expires and until his successor shall be elected and shall qualify, subject, however, to prior death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office. Any vacancy on the Board of directors, however resulting, may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, even if less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director. Any director elected to fill a vacancy shall hold office for a term that shall coincide with the term of the class to which such director shall have been elected. No election of directors need be by written ballot.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, whenever the holders of any one or more classes or series of Preferred Stock issued by the Corporation shall have the right, voting separately by class or series, to elect directors at an annual or special meeting of shareholders, the election, term of office, filling of vacancies and other features of such directorships shall be governed by the terms of the Certificate of Designation attributable to such Preferred stock or the resolution or resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 2 of this Article VII applicable thereto, and such directors so elected shall not be divided into classes pursuant to this Article VII unless expressly provided by such terms.

ARTICLE VIII

Indemnity

Section 1. Third Party Claims. The Corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the

Corporation) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not of itself create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Corporation and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.

Section 2. Derivative Claims. The Corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorney's fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit, if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Corporation; except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Corporation unless and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine, upon application, that despite the adjudication of liability, but in the view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the court shall deem proper.

Section 3. Expenses. Expenses, including fees and expenses of counsel, incurred in defending a civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit or proceeding may be paid by the Corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director, officer, employee or agent to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he is not entitled to be indemnified by the Corporation as authorized herein.

Section 4. Insurance. The Corporation may purchase (upon resolution duly adopted by the board of directors) and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability.

Section 5. Reimbursement. To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of, or any other person entitled to indemnity hereunder by, the Corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit, or proceeding referred to herein or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.

Section 6. Enforcement. Every such person shall be entitled, without demand by him upon the Corporation or any action by the Corporation, to enforce his right to such indemnity in an action at law against the Corporation. The right of indemnification and advancement of expenses hereinabove provided shall not be deemed exclusive of any rights to which any such person may now or hereafter be otherwise entitled and specifically, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, shall not be deemed exclusive of any rights pursuant to statute or otherwise, of any such person in any such action, suit or proceeding to have

assessed or allowed in his favor against the Corporation or otherwise, his costs and expenses incurred therein or in connection therewith or any part thereof.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments; Bylaws; Control Shares Act; Written Consent

Section 1. Amendments to Certificate of Incorporation. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Certificate of Incorporation to the contrary, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the issued and outstanding stock having voting power, voting together as a single class, shall be required to amend, repeal or adopt any provision inconsistent with Articles V, VI, VII, VIII and this Article IX of this Certificate of Incorporation.

Section 2. Bylaws. Prior to the receipt of any payment for any of the Corporation's stock, the Bylaws of the Corporation shall be adopted, amended or repealed by the Incorporator. Thereafter, in furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to adopt, repeal, alter, amend or rescind the Bylaws of the Corporation. In addition, the Bylaws of the Corporation may be adopted, repealed, altered, amended, or rescinded by the affirmative vote of the holders of sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the outstanding stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Section 3. Control Shares Act. The Corporation shall not be subject to the Oklahoma Control Shares Act as codified at Sections 1145-1155 of the Act. This election shall be effective on the date of filing this Certificate.

Section 4. Action By Written Consent. Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the shareholders may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes which would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted. Prompt notice of the taking of corporate action without a meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those shareholders who have not consented in writing.

ARTICLE X

Incorporator

W. Chris Coleman

Tenth Floor Two Leadership Square Oklahoma City, OK 73102

I, the undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Oklahoma, do make, file and record this Certificate, and do certify that the facts herein stated are true, and I have accordingly hereunto set my hand this 18th day of October, 1996.

W. CHRIS COLEMAN W. Chris Coleman

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BYLAWS OF CHESAPEAKE OKLAHOMA CORPORATION Section 1. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of shareholders for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting shall be held within six (6) months following the end of the fiscal year of the corporation at such time, date and place as shall be determined by the board of directors. The meeting shall be held at the principal offices of the corporation or at such other place as shall be determined by a majority of the directors.

Section 2. Special Meeting. Special meetings of shareholders may be called for any purpose or purposes, unless otherwise prescribed by the Oklahoma General Corporation Act (the "Act") and may be called only by the chairman of the board, or shall be called by the president or secretary, at the request, in writing, of a majority of the board of directors or by stockholders who are the record owners of ten percent (10%) or more of the outstanding shares of the corporation's stock entitled to vote at the election of directors. Such request shall state the purpose or purposes of the proposed meeting. Any such meeting shall be held at such places, within or without the State of Oklahoma, as may be specified in the call of any meeting.

Section 3. Notice of Meetings. Unless otherwise provided in the Act, written notice of every meeting of shareholders stating the place, date, hour and, in the case of a special meeting, purposes thereof, shall, except when otherwise required by law, be given not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting to each shareholder entitled to vote thereat.

At any meeting at which a quorum of shareholders is present, in person or represented by proxy, the chairman of the meeting or the holders of the majority of the shares of stock present or represented by proxy may adjourn from time to time until its business is completed. At the adjourned meeting, the corporation may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days, or if after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each shareholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting. Otherwise, no notice need be given.

If mailed, notice shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the shareholder at his address as it appears on the records of the corporation, with postage thereon prepaid.

A written waiver of any notice of any meeting of shareholders, signed by the person entitled thereto, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to notice. Attendance of a person at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except when the person attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or conveyed.

Business transacted at any special meeting of shareholders shall be limited to the purposes stated in the notice, but the purpose of any such special meeting need not be stated in the notice of such special meeting.

Section 4. Quorum. The holders of a majority of the shares of stock entitled to vote, present in person or by proxy, shall, except as otherwise provided by law, constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the shareholders.

Section 5. Voting. Unless otherwise provided by the corporation's Certificate of Incorporation and any amendments thereto or certificates of designation, at every meeting of shareholders or, if action is to be taken by written consent without a meeting, each shareholder shall be entitled to one vote, in person or by proxy, for each share of stock having voting power held by such shareholder. Unless otherwise provided by law, no proxy shall be voted on after three years from its date unless the proxy provides for a longer period. All elections and questions shall be decided by a plurality of the votes cast, in person or by proxy, except as otherwise required by law, or any stock exchange requirements or as set forth in the corporation's Certificate of Incorporation, any amendments thereto, these bylaws or the terms of any series of

Section 6. List of Shareholders. Unless otherwise provided in the Act, at least ten (10) days before every meeting of shareholders, a complete list of the shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each shareholder, and the number of shares registered in the name of each shareholder, shall be prepared by the officer in charge of the stock ledger. Such list shall be open to the examination of any shareholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting, either at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the notice of the meeting, or, if not specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof and may be inspected by any shareholder who is present. The stock ledger shall be the only evidence as to who are shareholders entitled to examine the stock ledger, the list required by this section or the books of the corporation, or to vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of shareholders.

Section 7. Organization. At each meeting of shareholders, the chairman of the board of directors, if one shall have been elected (or in his absence or if one shall not have been elected, the president), shall act as chairman of the meeting. The secretary (or in his absence or inability to act, the person whom the chairman of the meeting shall appoint secretary of the meeting) shall act as secretary of the meeting and keep the minutes thereof.

Section 8. Order of Business. The chairman of the meeting shall determine the order of business and the procedure at the meeting, including regulation of the manner of voting and the conduct of discussion.

Section 9. Nomination of Directors. Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in these bylaws shall be eligible to serve as directors. Nominations of persons for election to the board of directors of the corporation may be made (a) by or at the direction of the board of directors, or (b) by any shareholder of the corporation who is a shareholder of record at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 9, who shall be entitled to vote for the election of directors at the meeting and who complies with the procedures set forth below. Any such nominations (other than those made by or at the direction of the board of directors) must be made pursuant to timely notice in writing to the secretary of the corporation. To be timely, a shareholder's notice must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation not less than sixty (60) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the meeting; provided, however, that in the event that less than seventy (70) days' notice or prior public disclosure of the date of the meeting is given or made to shareholders, notice by the shareholder to be timely must be received no later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which notice of the date of the meeting was mailed or public disclosure thereof was made, whichever occurred first. Such shareholder's notice shall set forth (a) as to each person whom the shareholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection as a director all information relating to such person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors, or is otherwise required, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (including such person's written consent to being named as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected); and (b) as to the shareholder giving the notice (i) the name and address, as they appear on the corporation's books, of such shareholder, and (ii) the class and number of shares of stock of the corporation which are beneficially owned by such shareholder. At the request of the board of directors, any person nominated by the board of directors for election as a director shall furnish to the secretary of the corporation that information required to be set forth in a shareholder's notice of nomination which pertains to the nominee. Notwithstanding anything in these bylaws to the contrary, no person shall be eligible to serve as a director of the corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 9. If the chairman of the meeting shall determine, based on the facts, that a nomination was not made in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 9, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 9, a shareholder shall also comply with

all applicable requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the rules and regulations thereunder, with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 9.

Section 10. Notice of Business. At any meeting of the shareholders, only such business shall be conducted as shall have been brought before the meeting (a) by or at the direction of the board of directors, or (b) by any shareholder of the corporation who is a shareholder of record at the time of giving of the notice provided for in this Section 10, who shall be entitled to vote at such meeting and who complies with the procedures set forth below. For business to be properly brought before a shareholder meeting by a shareholder, the shareholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing to the secretary of the corporation. To be timely, a shareholder's notice must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation not less than sixty (60) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the meeting; provided, however, that in the event that less than seventy (70) days' notice or prior public disclosure of the date of the meeting is given or made to shareholders, notice by the shareholder to be timely must be received no later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which notice of the date of the meeting was mailed or public disclosure thereof was made, whichever occurred first. Such shareholder's notice shall set forth as to each matter the shareholder purposes to bring before the meeting (a) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting, (b) the name and address, as they appear on the corporation's books, of the shareholder proposing such business, (c) the class and number of shares of stock of the corporation which are beneficially owned by the shareholder, and (d) any material interest of the shareholder in such business. Notwithstanding anything in these bylaws to the contrary, no business shall be conducted at a shareholder meeting except in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 10. the chairman of the meeting shall determine, based on the facts, that business was not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 10, he shall so declare to the meeting and any such business not properly brought before the meeting shall not be transacted. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 10, a shareholder shall also comply with all application requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 10.

ARTICLE II

Directors

Section 1. Powers. The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of its board of directors.

Section 2. Number. The number of directors which shall constitute the whole board shall not be less than three nor more than fifteen, and shall be determined by resolution adopted by a vote of two-thirds $% \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) =\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) +\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) +\frac{1}{$ of the entire board, or at an annual or special meeting of shareholders by the affirmative vote of sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the outstanding stock entitled to vote. No reduction in number shall have the effect of removing any director prior to the expiration of his term. In the event the number of directors which constitute the whole board shall be three or more, the board of directors shall be divided into three classes as nearly equal in number as possible with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the first shareholders' meeting following the election or appointment of three or more directors which constitute the whole board, the term of office of those of the first class shall expire at the first annual meeting after their election; the term of office of those of the second class shall expire at the second annual meeting after their election; and the term of office of those of the third class shall expire at the third annual meeting after their election. At each annual meeting held after such classification and election, directors shall be chosen for a full term of three years to succeed those whose terms expire.

No person may stand for election to, or be elected to, the board of directors or be appointed by the directors to fill a vacancy on the board of directors who shall have made, or be making, improper or unlawful use of the corporation's confidential

- Section 3. Vacancies. Vacancies and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, though less than a quorum, and the directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election of the class for which each such director has been chosen and until his successor is duly elected and qualified, or until his earlier resignation or removal.
- Section 4. Place of Meetings. Board meetings may be held at such places, within or without the State of Oklahoma, as stated in these bylaws or as the board may from time to time determine or as may be specified in the call of any meetings.
- Section 5. Regular Meetings. The annual meeting of the board shall be held without call or notice immediately after and at the same general place as the annual meeting of the shareholders, for the purpose of electing officers and transacting any other business that may properly come before the meeting. Additional regular meetings of the board may be held without call or notice at such place and at such time as shall be fixed by resolution of the board but in the absence of such resolution shall be held upon call by the president or a majority of directors.
- Section 6. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the board may be called by the chairman of the board or the president or by a majority of the directors then in office. Notice of special meetings shall be given to each director at least three (3) days before the meeting. Such notice shall set forth the time and place of such meeting, but need not, unless otherwise required by law, state the purposes of the meeting. A majority of the directors present at any meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time without notice other than announcement at the meeting.
- Section 7. Quorum. A majority of the total number of directors, excluding any vacancies, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the board; provided, however, that in no event shall a number which is less than one-third (1/3) of the total number of directors (excluding vacancies) constitute a quorum. If at any meeting a quorum is not present, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without notice other than announcement at the meeting until a quorum is present. The act of a majority of directors present in person at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the board of directors.
- Section 8. Presence at Meeting. Members of the board of directors, or of any committee thereof, may participate in a meeting of such board or committee by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and such participation shall be deemed presence in person at such meeting.
- Section 9. Action Without Meeting. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the board of directors, or of any committee thereof, may be taken without a meeting if all members of the board or such committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing, and such written consent is filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board or such committee.
- Section 10. Committees of the Board. The board of directors may, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole board, designate one or more committees, each such committee to consist of one or more of the directors of the corporation and shall have such name or names as may be determined from time to time by resolution adopted by the board. The board may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. Any such committee, to the extent provided in the resolution, shall have and may exercise the powers of the board of directors in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, and generally perform such duties and exercise such powers as may be directed or delegated by the board of directors from time to time, and furthermore, may authorize the seal of the corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it; but no such committee shall have the power or authority in reference to amending the Certificate of Incorporation (except that a committee may, to the extent authorized in the resolution(s) providing for the issuance of shares of stock adopted by the board of directors as provided in Section 1032(A) of the Act, fix the designations and any of the

preferences or rights of such shares relating to dividends, redemption, dissolution, any distribution of assets of the corporation or the conversion into, or the exchange of such shares for shares of any other class or classes or any other series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the corporation or fix the number of shares of any series of stock or authorize the increase or decrease of the shares of any series), adopting an agreement of merger or consolidation, recommending to the shareholders the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially of the corporation's property and assets, recommending to the shareholders a dissolution of the corporation or a revocation of a dissolution, or amending the bylaws of the corporation; and unless the resolution of the board of directors, the Certificate of Incorporation or these bylaws expressly so provide, no such committee shall have the power or authority to declare a dividend or to authorize the issuance of stock or to adopt a certificate of ownership and merger pursuant to the Act. In the absence or disqualification of any member of such committee or committees, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the board to act at the meeting in the place of such absent or disqualified member. Each such committee shall keep regular minutes of its proceedings and report the same to the board of directors as and when required.

Section 11. Compensation. Each director shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in attending any meeting of the board or of any committee of which such director shall be a member. The board may by resolution allow reasonable fees to some or all of the directors for attendance at any board or committee meeting. No such payment shall preclude any directors from serving the corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

Section 12. Advisory Directors. The board of directors may appoint individuals who may but need not be officers or employees of the corporation to serve as members of an advisory board of directors of the corporation and may fix fees or compensation for attendance at meetings of any such advisory board. The members of any such advisory board may adopt and from time to time may amend rules and regulations for the conduct of their meetings and shall keep minutes which shall be submitted to the board of directors of the corporation. The term of office of any member of the advisory board of directors shall be at the pleasure of the board of directors and shall expire the day of the annual meeting of the shareholders of the corporation. The function of any such advisory board of directors shall be to advise with respect to the affairs of the corporation.

Section 13. Resignation. Any director may resign at any time by giving written notice to the board of directors or to the secretary of the corporation. The resignation of any director shall take effect upon receipt of notice thereof or at such later time as shall be specified in such notice; and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 14. Removal. No director may be removed from office by the shareholders except for cause with the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than a majority of the total voting power of all outstanding securities of the corporation then entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class.

Section 15. Preferred Directors. Notwithstanding anything else contained herein, whenever the holders of one or more classes or series of Preferred Stock shall have the right, voting separately as a class or series, to elect directors, the nomination, election, term of office, filling of vacancies, removal and other features of such directorships shall be governed by the terms of the certificate of designation for such classes or series, and such directors so elected shall not be subject to the provisions of Sections 2, 3 and 14 of this Article II unless otherwise provided therein.

ARTICLE III

Officers and Employees

Section 1. Election. At the annual meeting of the board, there shall be elected such officers as may be necessary to enable the

corporation to sign instruments and stock certificates which comply with the Act. Such officers may include a chairman of the board, chief executive officer, vice chairman of the board, a president, one or more vice presidents (who may be designated by different classes), a secretary, a treasurer and other officers. No officer need be a director. Two or more offices may be held by the same person.

Section 2. Term, Removal and Vacancies. All officers shall serve at the pleasure of the board. Any officer elected or appointed by the board may be removed at any time by the board whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. A vacancy in any office shall be filled by the board of directors.

Section 3. Chairman of the Board. The chairman of the board, if one has been elected, shall preside at all meetings of the board, shareholders and committees of which he is a member. He shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be authorized by the board of directors.

Section 4. Chief Executive Officer. If the board of directors has elected a chairman of the board, it may designate the chairman of the board as the chief executive officer of the corporation. If no chairman of the board has been elected, or in his absence or inability to act, or if no such designation has been made by the board of directors, the president shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation. The chief executive officer shall (i) have the overall supervision of the business of the corporation and shall direct the affairs and policies of the corporation, subject to any directions which may be given by the board of directors, (ii) shall have authority to designate the duties and powers of officers and delegate special powers and duties to specified officers, so long as such designations shall not be inconsistent with the laws of the State of Oklahoma, these bylaws or action of the board of directors, and shall in general have all other powers and shall perform all other duties incident to the chief executive officer of a corporation and such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors from time to time.

Section 5. Vice Chairman of the Board. The vice chairman of the board, if one has been elected, shall, in the absence or inability of the chairman of the board to act, preside at all meetings of shareholders, the board of directors and committees of which the chairman of the board is a member. The vice chairman of the board shall be subject to the control of the board of directors and chairman of the board. He shall have such powers and perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the board of directors or the chairman of the board.

Section 6. President. If the board of directors has elected a chairman of the board and designated such officer as the chief executive officer of the corporation, the president shall serve as chief operating officer and be subject to the control of the board of directors and the chairman of the board. He shall have such powers and perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the board of directors or the chairman of the board. If the board of directors has not elected a chairman of the board, or if one has been elected and has not been designated the chief executive officer of the corporation, then the president shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation with the powers and duties provided in Article III, Section 4, of these bylaws. In any event, the president shall have the power to execute, and shall execute, bonds, deeds, mortgages, extensions, agreements, modification of mortgage agreements, leases and contracts or other instruments of the corporation except where required or permitted by law to be otherwise signed and executed and except where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the board of directors or by the president to some other officer or agent of the corporation. The chairman of the board, if there is one, or the president may give a proxy to any other person to vote, all shares of the stock of any other corporation standing in the name of the corporation. The president, in general, shall have all other powers and shall perform all other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors from time to time.

Section 7. Vice Presidents. A vice president shall perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the board or by the chairman, the vice chairman or the president. In the absence or inability to act of the president, the vice president

(or if there is more than one vice president, in the order designated by the board and, absent such designation, in the order of their first election to that office) shall perform the duties and discharge the responsibilities of the president.

Section 8. Secretary. The secretary shall be the keeper of the corporate seal and records, and shall give notice of, attend, and record minutes of meetings of shareholders and directors. He shall see that the seal is affixed to all documents on which the seal is required by law to be affixed, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws. He shall, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the board or by the president. The assistant secretaries, if any, shall have such duties as shall be delegated to them by the secretary and, in the absence of the secretary, the senior of them present shall discharge the duties of the secretary.

Section 9. Treasurer. The treasurer shall be responsible for (i) the custody and safekeeping of all of the funds and securities of the corporation, (ii) the receipt and deposit of all monies paid to the corporation, (iii) where necessary or appropriate, the endorsement for collection on behalf of the corporation of all checks, drafts, notes and other obligations payable to the corporation, (iv) the disbursement of funds of the corporation under such rules as the board may from time to time adopt, (v) maintaining the general books of account of the corporation, and (vi) the performance of such further duties as are incident to the office of treasurer or as may be assigned to him by the board or by the president. The assistant treasurers, if any, shall have such duties as shall be delegated to them by the treasurer, and in the absence of the treasurer, the senior one of them present shall discharge the duties of the treasurer.

Section 10. Divisional Officers. The board may from time to time appoint officers of various divisions of the corporation. Divisional officers shall not by virtue of such appointment become officers of the corporation. Subject to the direction of the president of the corporation, the president of a division shall have general charge, control and supervision of all the business operations of his division, and the other divisional officers shall have such duties and authority as may be prescribed by the president of the division.

ARTICLE IV

Stock Certificates and Transfer Books

Section 1. Certificates. Every shareholder shall be entitled to have a certificate in such form as the board shall from time to time approve, signed by, or in the name of the corporation by (i) the chairman of the board, if any, the president or any vice president and (ii) the treasurer, or assistant treasurer, or the secretary or an assistant secretary, certifying the number of shares owned by him in the corporation. During the time in which the corporation is authorized to issue more than one class of stock or more than one series of any class, there shall be set forth on the face or back of each certificate issued a statement that the corporation will furnish without charge to each shareholder who so requests, the designations, preferences and relative, participating, option or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof of the corporation and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences and/or rights.

The signatures of any of the officers on a certificate may be facsimiles. In case any officer who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to be such officer before such certificate is issued, it may be issued by the corporation with the same effect as if he were such officer at the date of issue.

Section 2. Record Ownership. A record of the name and address of the holder of each certificate, the number of shares represented thereby, and the date of issue thereof shall be made on the corporation's books. The corporation shall be entitled to treat the holder of record of any share or shares of stock as the holder in fact thereof, and, accordingly, shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in any share on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other

notice thereof, except as required by the laws of Oklahoma.

Section 3. Transfer Agent and Registrar. The corporation may maintain one or more transfer offices or agencies, each in the charge of a transfer agent designated by the board, where the shares of stock of the corporation shall be transferable. The corporation may also maintain one or more registry offices, each in the charge of a registrar designated by the board, wherein such shares of stock shall be registered. To the extent authorized by the board, the same entity may serve both as a transfer agent and registrar.

Section 4. Lost Certificates. Any person claiming a stock certificate in lieu of one lost, stolen, mutilated or destroyed shall give the corporation an affidavit as to his ownership of the certificate and of the facts which go to prove its loss, theft, mutilation or destruction. He shall also, if required by the board, give the corporation a bond, in such form as may be approved by the board, sufficient to indemnify the corporation against any claim that may be made against it on account of the alleged loss or theft of the certificate or the issuance of a new certificate.

Section 5. Transfer of Stock. Transfer of shares shall, except as provided in Section 4 of this Article IV, be made on the books of the corporation only by direction of the person named in the certificate or his attorney, lawfully constituted in writing, and only upon surrender for cancellation of the certificate therefor, duly endorsed or accompanied by a written assignment of the shares evidenced thereby.

Section 6. Fixing Date for Determination of Shareholders of Record.

- (a) In order that the corporation may determine the shareholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of shareholders or any adjournment thereof, or to express consent to any corporate action in writing without a meeting, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights, or entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the board may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meetings, nor more than sixty (60) prior to any other action.
- (b) A determination of shareholders of record entitled to notice of and to vote at a meeting of shareholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the board may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.

ARTICLE V

General Provisions

Section 1. Offices. The principal office of the corporation shall be maintained in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, or at such other place as the board may determine. The corporation may have such other offices as the board may from time to time determine.

Section 2. Voting of Stock. Unless otherwise ordered by the board, the chairman of the board, if any, the president or any vice president shall have full power and authority, in the name and on behalf of the corporation, to attend, act and vote at any meeting of shareholders of any company in which the corporation may hold shares of stock, and at any such meeting shall possess and may exercise any and all rights and powers incident to the ownership of such shares and which, as the holder thereof, the corporation might possess and exercise if personally present, and may exercise such power and authority through the execution of proxies or may delegate such power and authority to any other officer, agent or employee of the corporation.

Section 3. Notices. Unless otherwise provided herein, whenever notice is required to be given, it shall not be construed to require personal notice, but such notice may be given in writing by depositing the same in the United States mail, addressed to the individual to whom notice is being given at such address as appears on the records of the corporation, with postage there on prepaid. Such notice shall be deemed to be given at the time when the same shall be thus deposited.

Section 4. Waiver of Notice. Whenever any notice is required to be given, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to the notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent thereto.

ARTICLE VI

Indemnification of Officers, Directors, Employees and Agents

- (a) The corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture or other enterprise against expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not of itself create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the corporation and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.
- The corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is (b) a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorney's fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit, if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the corporation; except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine, upon application, that despite the adjudication of liability, but in the view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the court shall deem proper.
- (c) Expenses incurred in defending a civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding may be paid by the corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director, officer, employee or agent to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he is not entitled to be indemnified by the corporation as authorized herein.
- (d) The corporation may purchase (upon resolution duly adopted by the board of directors) and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability.
- (e) To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit, or proceeding referred to herein or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually

and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.

(f) Every such person shall be entitled, without demand by him upon the corporation or any action by the corporation, to enforce his right to such indemnity in an action at law against the corporation. The right of indemnification and advancement of expenses hereinabove provided shall not be deemed exclusive of any rights to which any such person may now or hereafter be otherwise entitled and specifically, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, shall not be deemed exclusive of any rights pursuant to statute or otherwise, of any such person in any such action, suit or proceeding to have assessed or allowed in his favor against the corporation or otherwise, his costs and expenses incurred therein or in connection therewith or any part thereof.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

These bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed or new bylaws may be adopted in accordance with the corporation's Certificate of Incorporation, as the same may be amended or supplemented, and the Act.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the bylaws of Chesapeake Oklahoma Corporation, an Oklahoma corporation, as in effect on the date hereof.

Dated this 19th day of November, 1996.

TOM L. WARD
Tom L. Ward, Secretary