ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION Research Center Administrators Society

Article I. Name

The name of this unincorporated association shall be the Research Center Administrators Society, otherwise referred to as RCAS.

Article II. Purpose

The specific purpose of the society shall be those of an educational and scientific unincorporated association qualified for exemption under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended or a comparable section of subsequent legislation.

The society shall strive to advance the acquisition and dissemination of scientific knowledge concerning the nature, use, improvement, and interrelationships of research center administration, scientific research, and new technology. To this end, the society shall 1) promote effective research, 2) disseminate scientific information, 3) facilitate technology transfer, 4) foster high standards of education, 5) strive to maintain high standards of ethics, 6) promote advances in this profession, and 7) cooperate with other organizations having similar objectives.

Article III. Initial Organizers

The names and addresses of the persons who are the initial organizers (Officers) of the association are as follows:

President: Robert Dunker

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Article IV. Limitations

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the society shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) an unincorporated association exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an unincorporated association, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Article V. Composition of the Society

The governing document of this association is the Bylaws of the Research Center Administrators Society. The society shall be composed of voting members as described in the Bylaws of the society. The society shall have an executive committee, other committees, and such officers as are necessary to fulfill its objectives as described in the Bylaws of the society.

Article VI. Dissolution

Upon dissolution of the association, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, or for a public purposes.

In witness thereof, the undersigned have made and subscribed to these Articles of Association at Little Rock, AR on February 8, 2005.

Robert Dunker, President	-
Randall Rawls, Vice President	_
Mike Phillips, Secretary	
Denny S. Thompson, Exec. Business Manager	_
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this February 8, 2005.	
Notary Public	
State of	
My Commission Expires:	