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SUBMISSION TYPE:	NEW ASSIGNMENT
NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:	MERGER
EFFECTIVE DATE:	02/01/2005

### **CONVEYING PARTY DATA**

Name	Formerly	Execution Date	Entity Type
Tap LLC		02/01/2005	Limited Liability Company:

### RECEIVING PARTY DATA

Name:	United Pet Group, Inc.
Street Address:	463 Ohio Pike, Suite 303
City:	Cincinnati
State/Country:	ОНЮ
Postal Code:	45255
Entity Type:	CORPORATION: DELAWARE

PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 17

Property Type	Number	Word Mark
Registration Number:	2835102	PORT-A-CRATE
Registration Number:	2772431	SOF-KRATE
Registration Number:	2664472	NOZ TO NOZ
Registration Number:	2707794	NOZ TO NOZ
Registration Number:	2703076	NOZ TO NOZ
Registration Number:	2650462	PETNATION
Registration Number:	2863127	PET NATION
Serial Number:	78506399	FIRSTRAX
Serial Number:	78506781	SOF-PEN
Serial Number:	78506778	PORT-A-PEN
Serial Number:	78506761	BACKYARD PET
Serial Number:	78506747	BACKYARD PET
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Serial Number:	78499422	YUKON
Serial Number:	78499416	KODIAK
Serial Number:	76516859	MASTER'S MINTS

### **CORRESPONDENCE DATA**

Fax Number: (212)310-8007

Correspondence will be sent via US Mail when the fax attempt is unsuccessful.

Email: fiona.o'donnell@weil.com

Correspondent Name: Weil, Gotshal & Manges c/oFiona O'Donnell

Address Line 1: 767 5th Avenue

Address Line 4: New York, NEW YORK 10153

NAME OF SUBMITTER:	Fiona O'Donnell
Signature:	/Fiona O'Donnell/
Date:	03/01/2005

#### **Total Attachments: 11**

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## The First State

I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER, WHICH MERGES:

"TAP, LLC", A NEVADA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,

WITH AND INTO "UNITED PET GROUP, INC." UNDER THE NAME OF
"UNITED PET GROUP, INC.", A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING
UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, AS RECEIVED AND FILED
IN THIS OFFICE THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 2005, AT 5:51
O'CLOCK P.M.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

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Warriet Smith Windson
Harriet Smith Windson, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 3657496

DATE: 02-02-05

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### CERTIFICATE OF MERGER OF UNITED PET GROUP, INC., AND TAP, LLC

Pursuant to Title 8, Section 264(c) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the undersigned corporation executed the following Certificate of Merger:

FIRST:

The name of the surviving corporation is UNITED PET GROUP, INC., a Delaware Corporation (the "Corporation"), and the name of the limited liability company being merged into this surviving corporation is TAP, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company.

SECOND:

The Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by the surviving corporation and the merging limited liability company.

THIRD:

The name of the surviving corporation is UNITED PET GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation.

FOURTH:

The merger is to become effective upon the filing of this Certificate of Merger.

FIFTH:

The Merger Agreement is on file at 463 Ohio Pike, Suite 303, Cincinnati, Ohio 45255, the place of business of the Corporation.

SIXTH:

A copy of the Merger Agreement will be furnished by the Corporation on request, without cost, to any stockholder of any constituent corporation or member of any constituent limited liability company.

SEVENTH:

The Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation shall be the Certificate of Incorporation of the surviving corporation.

[signatures on following page]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this certificate to be signed by an authorized officer, the 31st day of January, 2005.

UNITED PET GROUP INC.

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## Articles of Merger Pursuant to NRS (24200) Page 1

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## (Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 92A) (excluding 92A.200(4b)) SUBMIT IN DUPLICATE

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Firstrax Pet Products, Inc.	mai enuty.
Name of merging entity	
Nevada	Corporation
Jurisdiction	Entity type *
TAP, LLC	, , ,
Name of <i>merging</i> entity	
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Jurisdiction	Limited Liability Company Entity type *
Name of <i>merging</i> entity	
Jurisdiction	Entity type *
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and,	
Inited Pet Group, Inc.	
Name of surviving entity	
Delaware	Comments
Jurisdiction	Corporation Entity type *

This form must be accompanied by appropriate fees. See attached fee schedule.

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<sup>\*</sup> Corporation, non-profit corporation, limited partnership, limited-liability company or business trust.



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c/o:	United Pet Group, Inc.
	463 Ohio Pike, Suite 303
	Cincinnati, Ohio 45255
3) (Choose one)	
The undersi	igned declares that a plan of merger has been adopted by each constituent 92A.200).
The undersi	gned declares that a plan of merger has been adopted by the parent domestic 92A.180)
there are more th	If (NRS 92A.200)(options a, b, or c must be used, as applicable, for each entity) (if han four merging entities, check box $\square$ and attach an 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11" blank sheet equired information for each additional entity):
(a) Owner's approx	val was not required from :

Name of merging entity, if applicable	
Name of merging entity, if applicable	
Name of merging entity, if applicable	
Name of merging entity, if applicable	
and, or,	
Name of surviving entity, if applicable	

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(b) The plan was approved by the required consent of the owners of \*:

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Name of <i>merging</i> entity, if applicable	
Firstrax Pet Products, Inc.	
Name of <i>merging</i> entity, if applicable	
Name of <i>merging</i> entity, if applicable	
Name of merging entity, if applicable	
and, or;	
United Pet Group, Inc.	

\* Unless otherwise provided in the certificate of trust or governing instrument of a business trust, a merger must be approved by all the trustees and beneficial owners of each business trust that is a constituent entity in the merger.

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The plan of merger has been approved by the directors of the corporation and by each public officer or other person whose approval of the plan of merger is required by the articles of incorporation of the domestic corporation.	n
Name of <i>merging</i> entity, if applicable	***************************************
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Name of <i>merging</i> entity, if applicable	
and, or;	
Name of surviving entity, if applicable	

(c) Approval of plan of merger for Nevada non-profit corporation (NRS 92A.160):

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Loca	tion of Plan of Merger (check a or b):
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	_(a) The entire plan of merger is attached;
or,	_(a) The entire plan of merger is attached;
or,	_ (b) The entire plan of merger is on file at the registered office of the surviving
or,	_ (b) The entire plan of merger is on file at the registered office of the surviving corporation, limited-liability company or business trust, or at the records office
or,	_ (b) The entire plan of merger is on file at the registered office of the surviving
or,	_ (b) The entire plan of merger is on file at the registered office of the surviving corporation, limited-liability company or business trust, or at the records office address if a limited partnership, or other place of business of the surviving entity
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<sup>\*</sup> Amended and restated articles may be attached as an exhibit or integrated into the articles of merger. Please entitle them "Restated" or "Amended and Restated," accordingly. The form to accompany restated articles prescribed by the secretary of state must accompany the amended and/or restated articles. Pursuant to NRS 92A.180 (merger of subsidiary into parent — Nevada parent owning 90% or more of subsidiary), the articles of merger may not contain amendments to the constituent documents of the surviving entity except that the name of the surviving entity may be changed.

<sup>\*\*</sup> A merger takes effect upon filing the articles of merger or upon a later date as specified in the articles, which must not be more than 90 days after the articles are filed (NRS 92A.240).



## Articles of Merger (PURSUANT TO NRS 928,200) Page 6

Signature  Title  Da  TAP, LLC  Name of merging entity  Treasurer of Firstrax Pet Products, Inc.	
Name of merging entity  Signature  Tap, LLC  Name of merging entity  Treasurer of Firstrax Pet Products, Inc.  Linux A the Manager of Tap, LLC 2    Signature  Title  Da	rs or all the IRS 92A.230
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Name of surviying entity	
Vice President 2/	1 /05

\* The articles of merger must be signed by each foreign constituent entity in the manner provided by the law governing it (NRS 92A.230). Additional signature blocks may be added to this page or as an attachment, as needed.

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IMPORTANT: Failure to include any of the above information and submit the proper fees may cause this filing to be rejected.

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Signature

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Date

STATE OF NEVADA Secretary of State I hereby certify that this is a true and complete copy of the document as filed in this office

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## REGISTERED TRADEMARKS AND TRADEMARK APPLICATIONS

## A. REGISTERED TRADEMARKS

Serial No.	Reg. No.	Trademark	Class/Goods	Reg. Date
76378868	2835102	PORT-A-CRATE	20, portable kennels	20-Apr-04
76378815	2772431	SOF-KRATE	20, portable kennels	7-Oct-03
76285615	2664472	NOZ TO NOZ	18, pet cushions leashes etc.	17-Dec-02
76285561	2707794	NOZ TO NOZ	19, prefab dog houses, etc.	15-Apr-03
76226453	2703076	NOZ TO NOZ	20, portable kennels	1-Apr-03
76226452	2650462	PETNATION	19, prefab dog houses	12-Nov-02
76226174	2863127	PET NATION	18, pet cushions leashes etc.	13-Jul-04

## B. TRADEMARK APPLICATIONS

Serial No.	Reg. No.	Trademark	Class/Goods	Reg. Date
78506399		FIRSTRAX	40, custom pet products	
78506781		SOF—PEN	21, pet shelters & cages	
78506778		PORT-A-PEN	21, pet shelters & cages	
78506761		BACKYARD PET	19, prefab dog houses	
78506747		BACKYARD PET	18, pet cushions leashes etc.	
78506406		NO TRACE	16, waste bags & dispenser	
78506373		BOTTOMS UP	16, waste bags & dispenser	
78499422		YUKON	19, prefab dog houses	
78499416		KODIAK	19, prefab dog houses	
76516859		MASTER'S MINTS	30, candy	

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