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TO AND TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Bruce Church, Inc.

Withereas, there has been presented to the

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OF ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF eighteen YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR USING 17 IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT TY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT 1.542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

LETTUCE

'Gabilan'

In Testimony Waterest, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D. C. this 30th day of April in

this 30th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven.

Secretary of Agriculture

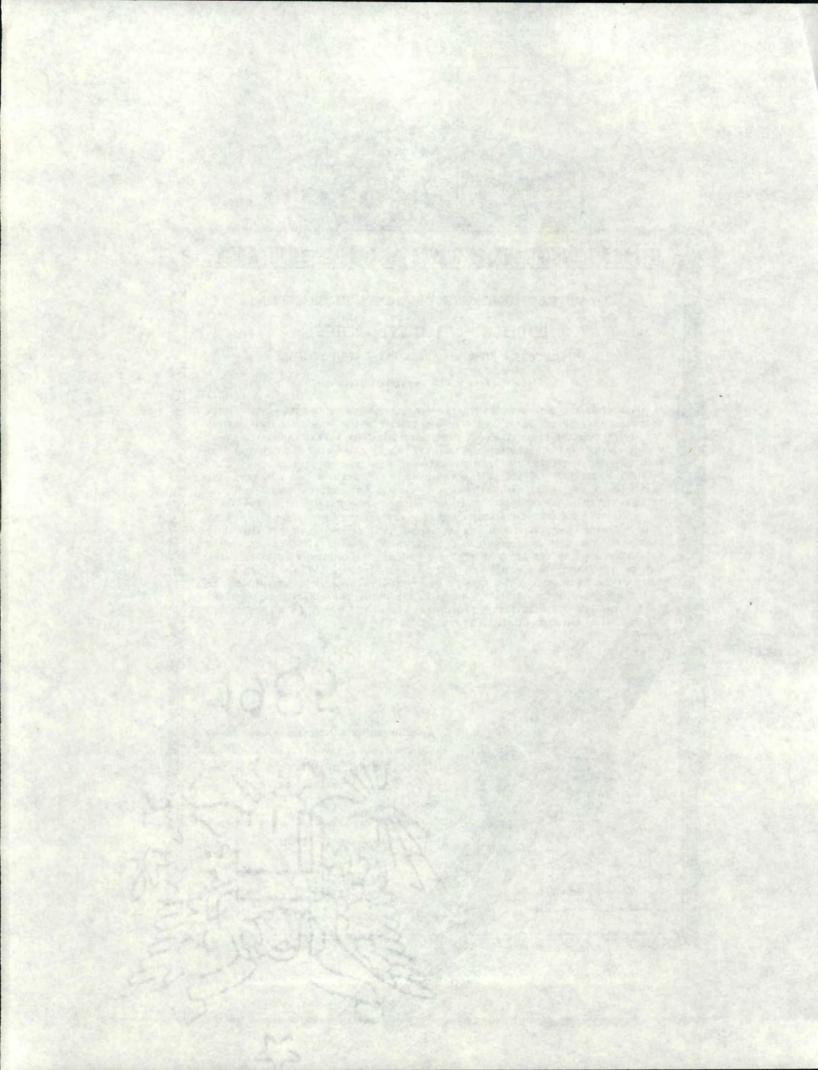
Attest

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Plant Variety Protection Office . Americallural Marketina Service

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	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULT	URE	FORM APPROVED: OMB NO. 0581-0055		
	APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTE (Instructions on reverse)	IVICE	Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).		
1.	NAME OF APPLICANT(S)	2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION	3. VARIETY NAME		
	Bruce Church, Inc.	EXP. 46E58	Gabilan		
_	ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY		
-	1020 Merrill Street Salinas, California 93901	408-758-4421	8700059		
6.		AME (Botanical)	DATE February 5, 1987		
	Lactuca sativa, L. Compo	sitae	Z:00 DA.M. UP.M.		
8.	KIND NAME	9. DATE OF DETERMINATION	AMOUNT FOR FILING		
	Lettuce	March 6, 1985	DATE Jahruary 5 1987 AMOUNT FOR GERTIFICATE		
10.	IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON," GIVE FORI partnership, association, etc.) Corporation	\$ 20000 DATE			
11.	IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION		March 24, 1987 12. DATE OF INCORPORATION		
	California		Marcy 15, 1949		
a. b. c. d.	Exhibit A, Origin and Breeding History of the Variety (So Exhibit B, Novelty Statement. Exhibit C, Objective Description of Variety (Request for Exhibit D, Additional Description of Variety. Exhibit E, Statement of the Basis of Applicant's Owners! DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VAISEED? (See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act.)	ee Section 52 of the Plant Variety Pro m from Plant Variety Protection Offic hip. RIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME	ce.)		
16.	DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS?	17. IF "YES" TO ITEM 16, V BEYOND BREEDER SEE	WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION		
	Yes X No	Foundation	Registered Certified		
	DID THE APPLICANT(S) PREVIOUSLY FILE FOR PROTEC	TION OF THE VARIETY IN THE U	Yes (If "Yes," give date) No		
19.	HAS THE VARIETY BEEN RELEASED, OFFERED FOR SAL	E, OR MARKETED IN THE U.S. OR	Yes (If "Yes," give names of countries and dates)		
20,	The applicant(s) declare(s) that a viable sample of basic see plenished upon request in accordance with such regulation	is as may be applicable.	with the application and will be re-		
	The undersigned applicant(s) is (are) the owner(s) of this s distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41, and Variety Protection Act.	exually reproduced novel plant var I is entitled to protection under the	riety, and believe(s) that the variety is e provisions of Section 42 of the Plant		
	Applicant(s) is (are) informed that false representation her	rein can jeopardize protection and			
SIC	NATURE OF APPLICANT		DATE		
_	NATURE OF APPLICANT		DATE		

INSTRUCTIONS

General: Send an original copy of the application and exhibits, at least 2,500 viable seeds (furnish only untreated seed), and \$1,800 fee (\$200 filing fee and \$1,600 examination fee) to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service, Plant Variety Protection Office, National Agricultural Library Building, Beltsville, Maryland 20705. (See Section 180.175 of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.) Retain one copy for your files. All items on the face of the form are self-explanatory unless noted below.

Item

- Give the date the applicant determined that he had a new variety based on (1) the definition in Section 41(a) of the Act and (2) the date a decision was made to increase the seed.
- Give: (1) the genealogy, including public and commercial varieties, lines, or clones used, and the breeding method; (2) the details of subsequent stages of selection and multiplication; (3) the type and frequency of variants during reproduction and multiplication and state how these variants may be identified and (4) evidence of uniformity and stability.
- Give a summary statement of the variety's novelty. Clearly state how this novel variety may be distinguished from all other varieties in the same crop. If the new variety most closely resembles one or a group of related varieties: (1) identify these varieties and state all differences objectively; (2) attach statistical data for characters expressed numerically and demonstrate that these are clear differences; and (3) submit, if helpful, seed and plant specimens or photographs of seed and plant comparisons clearly indicating novelty.
- 14c Fill in the Exhibit C, Objective Description form, for all characteristics for which you have adequate data.
- Describe any additional characteristics that are not described, or whose description cannot be accurately conveyed in Exhibit C. Use comparative varieties as is necessary to reveal more accurately the description of characteristics that are difficult to describe, such as plant habit, plant color, disease resistance, etc.
- Section 52(4) of the Plant Variety Protection Act requires applicants to furnish a statement of the basis of the applicant's ownership. The applicant may be the actual breeder, the employer of the breeder, the owner through purchase or inheritance, etc.
- If "Yes" is specified (seed of this variety be sold by variety name only as a class of certified seed) the applicant may NOT reverse his affirmative decision after the variety has either been sold and so labeled, his decision published, or the certificate has been issued. However, if the applicant specified "No," he may change his choice. (See Section 180.16 of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.)
- See Sections 41 (i,j) and 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act and Section 180.7 of the Regulations and Rules of Practice for eligibility requirements.





Plant Variety Protection # Gabilan
Bruce Church, Inc.

EXHIBIT A

Origin and Breeding History of the Variety

- Gabilan originated from a hand pollenated cross between the varieties Red Coach 82 and Fairton. This cross was made by Bruce Church, Inc. personnel in April of 1982. F₂ seed was harvested from the greenhouse grown F₁ plant in the fall of 1982.
- 2. In the fall of 1982, the F₂ seed was planted in several observation trials in Huron, California and near Yuma, Arizona. Selections were made based on Vanguard leaf character, large frame size, large head size, and low core height relative to Vancrisp and Vanmax.
- 3. Standard pedigree selection from the cross produced an F_4 line designated 46E58.
 - In 1985, a composite of several promising selections were massed for field testing in Huron, California and in Yuma, Arizona. Trial results indicated that Gabilan is adapted to the late fall harvest period in Yuma, Arizona (12/30 to 1/15), the late spring harvest period in Yuma, Arizona (2/25 to 3/20), spring harvest period in Huron, California (4/10 to 4/30), the early spring harvest period in the Salinas Valley (4/20 to 5/20) and the late fall harvest period in the Salinas Valley (10/1 to 11/15).
- 4. Gabilan is uniform and distinct from other varieties grown in the same cropping periods.
- 5. Seed color of Gabilan is white, the same seed color of the pollen parent Fairton.
- 6. Gabilan is genetically stable and has been observed in two years of multiplication to be free of any distinct genetic variations.

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EXHIBIT B

Novelty Statement

- 1. Gabilan is a crisphead lettuce cultivar belonging to the Vanguard varietal group.
- The seed color of Gabilan is white (silver), whereas the 2. seed color of the following varieties is black:

Vanguard Vanmor El Toro Valley Queen Yuma Seagreen Vancrisp Red Coach 74 Pacific Vanmax Moranguard Grande Domingos 42 Winterhaven Climax Domingos 43 Salinas Winter Supreme Red Coach 82

- 3. Gabilan is best suited for late fall and spring harvest in the desert southwest, spring harvest in the San Joaquin Valley, and early spring and late fall harvest in the coastal production areas of Salinas and Santa Maria.
- 4. Gabilan has a darker green leaf color than the variety Winterset. Gabilan has a larger frame and larger head size than Winterset.
- Winterset is resistant to Lettuce Mosaic Virus whereas 5. Gabilan is susceptible to Lettuce Mosaic Virus.
- 6. Gabilan most closely resembles the variety Red Coach 82, however Gabilan is not suited for mid-winter lettuce production. Gabilan head size would be considered small grown in the mid-winter slot.
- Gabilan produces a large, slightly flattened head from a slightly whorled leaf configuration. Head protection is excellent. Butt appearance is very smooth, and not prone to pointed butts or raised ribs as found in the variety Vancrisp under warmer spring growing conditions. The leaf surface of Gabilan is not as savoyed as Vancrisp. Leaf margins along the petioles are slightly feathered. Core diameter is large.
- Gabilan has a high level of tolerance to tipburn in the late 8. spring harvest period in the desert southwest. Red Coach 82 and Vancrisp are susceptible to tipburn in the late harvest periods.
- 9. Gabilan exhibits a slower bolting characteristic than

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EXHIBIT B

Novelty Statement Continued

Vancrisp as noted by seed stalk elongation in summer seed production.

10. Gabilan is adapted to the coastal spring and fall harvest periods whereas Winterset is not recommended for planting at any time in the California coastal districts.

Gabilan is two to three days later maturing than Winterset, and Vancrisp is two to three days later maturing than Gabilan when planted for harvest in late December in Yuma, Arizona.

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EXHIBIT B

Novelty Statement - Photographs





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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE LIVESTOCK AND SEED DIVISION

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY LETTUCE Lactuca sativa

	LETTU	ICE <u>Lactuca sativa</u>			
NAME OF APPLICANT (S)	FOR OFFICIA	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY			
Bruce Church, In	PVPO NUMBER 8700059				
ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., 1020 Merrill Str	City, State, and ZIP Code)			10037	
Salinas, Califor	Cabilan				
bullius, cullion		Gabilan EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNATION			
	EXP. 46E58				
Place numbers in the boxes for the charact spaced plants. Royal Horticultural Society	ers which best describe this	variety. Measured data should be andard may be used to determine p	the mean of an appropriate au	mber (at least 10) of well	
The location of the test area is:		Color System Used:			
Yuma, Arizona		Royal Hort	icultural Societ	cy Colour Char	
1. PLANT TYPE: (See list of suggested	ed check varieties page 4.)				
01=Cutting/Leaf 02=Butterhead 03=Bibb 04=Cos or Romain	05=Great Lakes 06=Vanguard Gr 07=Imperial Gro 08=Eastern (Ith	roup 10=Latin			
2. SEED: COLOR 1=White (Silver Gray)	LIGHT DO	MANCY HEAT	DORMANCY		
2=Black (Gray Brown) 3=Brown (Amber)	1=Light Req 2= Light Not	1-3030	ceptible Susceptible		
3. COTYLEDON TO FOURTH LEAF STA	grown unde	olor photograph or photocopy of the optimal conditions.	he fourth leaf from 20 day old	seedling	
3 SHAPE OF COTYLEDON		2=Intermediate 3=Spatul	ate		
			- 535 - 535		
1 1 3 LENGTH/WIDTH INDEX C	2 3 OF FOURTH LEAF: L/W	4 x 10	5 6		
1 APICAL MARGIN: 5 BASAL MARGIN:	1=Entire 2=Creanate/Gnawed 3=Finely Dentate	4=Moderately Dentate 5=Coarsely Dentate 6=Incised	7=Lobed 8=OTHER (specify)	11	
2 UNDULATION:	1=Flat	2=Slight	3=Medium	4=Marked	
4 GREEN COLOR:	1=Yellow Green	3=Medium Green	5=Blue Green	7=Gray Green	
ANTHOCYANIN:	2=Light Green	4=Dark Green	6=Silver Green		
1 DISTRIBUTION:	1=Absent 2=Margin Only	3=Spotted 4=Throughout	5=OTHER (specify)		
1 CONCENTRATION:	1=Light	2=Moderate .	3=Intense	Parameter C	
1 ROLLING:	1=Absent .	2=Present		STATE OF THE STATE	
2 CUPPING:	1=Uncupped	2=Slight	3=Markedly	186 - 1 2 -	
1 REFLEXING:	1=None	2=Apical Margin	3=Lateral Margins	olo /	



		LEAVES (observe harvest-mature ovide color photo of harvest-mat MARGIN:	ure leaves which accurately shows color as	nd margin characteristics.	
	2	INCISION DEPTH: (deepest penetration of the	1=Absent/Shallow (Dark Green Boston) e margin)	2=Moderate (Vanguard)	3=Deep (Great Lakes 659)
	4	INDENTATION: (finest divisions of the margin,	1=Entire (Dark Green Boston) 2=Shallowly Dentate (Great Lakes 65)	3=Deeply Dentate (Great Lakes 659) 4=Crenate (Vanguard)	5=OTHER (specify)
	2	UNDULATION OF THE APICAL MARGIN:	1=Absent/Slight (Dark Green Boston)	2=Moderate (Vanguard)	3=Strong (Great Lakes 659)
	4	GREEN COLOR:	1=Very Light Green (Bibb) 2=Light Green (Minetto)	3=Medium Green (Great Lakes) 4=Dark Green (Vanguard)	5=Very Dark Green 6=OTHER
		ANTHOCYANIN (grown at or	below 10 C):		
	1	DISTRIBUTION:	1=Absent 2=Margin Only (Big Boston)	3=Spotted (Calif. Cream Butter) 4=Throughout (Prize Head)	5=OTHER (specify)
	1	CONCENTRATION:	1=Light (Iceberg)	2=Moderate (Prize Head)	3=Intense (Ruby)
	3	SIZE:	1*Small	2=Medium	3=Large
	1	GLOSSINESS:	1=Dull (Vanguard)	2=Moderate (Salinas)	3=Glossy (Great Lakes)
	2	BLISTERING:	1=Absent/Slight (Salinas)	2=Moderate (Vanguard)	3=Strong (Prize Head)
	3	LEAF THICKNESS:	1=Thin	2=Intermediate	3=Thick
	1	TRICHOMES:	1=Absent (smooth)	2=Present (spiny)	
1	6	HEAD DIAMETER (market tr	1 3 cm Winterset	(specify comparison variet	
	2	HEAD SHAPE:	1=Flattened 2=Slightly Flattened	3=Spherical 4=Elongate	5=Non-Heading 6=OTHER
	3	HEAD SIZE CLASS:	1=Small	2=Medium	3=Large
2	4	HEAD COUNT PER CARTON			
7 4	0	HEAD WEIGHT: g This Variety	0 8 2 0 g Vancrisp	(specify comparison variety	y)
	3	HEAD FIRMNESS:	1=Loose 2=Moderate	3=Firm 4=Very Firm	
6. BUT	r (bot	tom of market-trimmed head):			
	2	SHAPE:	1=Slightly Concave	2=Flat	3=Rounded
	1	MIDRIB:	1=Flattened (Salinas)	2=Moderately Raised	3=Prominently Raised (Great Lakes 659)
. CORE	(sten	n of market-trimmed head):			
3	5	mm Diameter at base of head			
0 4	2	Ratio of head diameter/core dia	ameter		
2	5	Core height from base of head to mm. This Variety	2 5 mm Winterset		
B. BOLT	ING	(Give First Water Date 04/3)	to germinate. This can and o	the date seed first receives adequate moi ften does equal the planting date.	sture
0 6	6	Number of days from First Wat This Variety	er Date to seed stalk emergence (summer of the last of	conditions):(specify comparison variety	,)
	2		1=Very Slow 2=Slow	3=Medium 4=Rapid	5=Very Rapid
0 8	5	Height of mature seed stalk: cm This Variety	0 9 0 cm Vancrisp	(specify comparison variety)

FORM LS-470-1



1	BOLTER	LEAVES:		1=Straight		2=Curved		
1	1 MARGIN:		1=Entire		2=Dentate			
3	COL	OR:		1=Light Green		2=Medium Green		3=Dark Green
2		HABIT: MINAL LORESCEN	CE:	1=Absent		2=Present		
1		ERAL SHO	OTS:	1=Absent		2=Present		
1	BAS	AL SIDE SH	HOOTS:	1=Absent		2=Present		
ATURITY (earliness o	of harvest-m	ature he	ead formation):				
				st one season.				
SEASO	N	Applic.1/	#of days	Check 1/ #of days		CHE	CK VARIETY 2/	
Spring		1 1	2	1 1 5	Vancris	o Yuma	Arizona	
Summer					Coastal	no	ot adapted mmer produ	to
Fall		0 9	6	1 0 2	Vancris		Arizona	
Winter		00	0	000	Not adar		nter produc	
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Fall	Yuma	, Aria	zona	Water	10/01/85	Har	vest 01/06/	/86
Winter	Not	adapte	ed -	head size t	oo small			
1/ First wa	ater date	to harvest.		2/Fill in check var	ety name on the a	ppropriate line.		
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	VIRUS	FUNGAL/BACTERIAL
	1 Big Vein	1 Corky Root Rot (Pythium Root Rot)
140	1 Lettuce Mosaic	O Downy Mildew (Races)
	Cucumber Mosaic	1 Powdery Mildew
	Daniel Brown Wills	
	O Broad Bean Wilt	Sclerotinia Rot
	O Turnip Mosaic	Bacterial Soft Rot (Pseudomonas spp. & others)
	1 Beet Western Yellows	1 Botrytis (Gray Mold)
	1 Lett. Infectious Yellows	O OTHER
	Other Virus	-
	INSECTS	PHYSIOLOGICAL/STRESS
	O Cabbage Loopers	3 Tipburn 0 Salt
	11 Root Aphids	2 Heat 0 Brown Rib (Rib Discoloration, Rib Blight
	1 Green Peach Aphid	O Drought O OTHER
	O Other Insect	O Cold
		HARVEST
	Pink Rib	Internal Rib Necrosis (Blackheart, Gray Rib, Gray Streak)
	1 Russet Spotting	0 Brown Stain
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12. BIOCHEMIC. 13. COMMENTS	Rusty Brown Discoloration AL OR ELECTROPHORETIC MARKERS:	
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Gabilan

Vancrisp

Winterset

NOTE: Photocoy of fourth leaf from 20 day old seedling grown in a greenhouse under constant lighting.





EXHIBIT D

Additional Description of the Variety

- 1. Annual. Gabilan is a crisphead lettuce variety with Vanguard characteristics.
- 2. Based on experimental and limited commercial plantings under the EXP. 46E58 designation, Gabilan has performed best when planted early October for early January harvest in Yuma, Arizona, and when planted late October to mid-November for March harvest in Yuma, Arizona. In the San Joaquin Valley, plantings in mid and late December for harvest in April have been commercially acceptable. Gabilan is also adapted to the May harvest period in the Santa Maria and Salinas Coastal areas, planted in January and early February.
- 3. In the desert production areas, Gabilan produces heads of lettuce that are rounder in shape than varieties such as Vancrisp and Vanguard which tend to form a spiraled or elongated shaped head under warmer growing conditions.
- 4. The leaf texture of Gabilan is thick and crisp; heads are large and generally well protected.

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EXHIBIT E

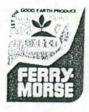
Statement of Applicant's Ownership

Bruce Church, Inc. Salinas, California, believes it is the sole, original and first breeder of the attached described lettuce variety, "Gabilan", for which it solicits a certificate of variety protection; that it has sexually reproduced the variety; that it does not know and does not believe that "Gabilan" was ever a public variety before Bruce Church, Inc. development thereof; that it is the sole owner of the variety; that "Gabilan" was not a public variety more than one year prior to filing of the application; that before the date of determination of the variety by Bruce Church, Inc., or more than one year before the effective filing date of the application, the variety was not effectively available to workers in the United States and adequately described by a publication reasonably deemed a part of the public technical knowledge of this country; and that it has not filed an application for the protection of this variety in a foreign country prior to the date of this application.

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FERRYMORSE SEED COMPANY

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April 26, 1990

Dr. Kenneth H. Evans
United States Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Marketing Service
Warehouse & Seed Division
Plant Variety Protection Office
National Agricultural Library Building, Room 500
10301 Baltimore Boulevard
Beltsville, Maryland 20705

Dear Dr. Evans:

SUBJECT: Basis of Ownership, Exhibit E, of Pending Applications

Thank you for your letter of 3/28 on this subject. Please find enclosed revised Exhibit E forms for the pending applications of Ferry-Morse Seed Company. We trust these will suffice for the purposes of establishing ownership and evaluation of eligibility.

Sincerely

Dr. David J. Thompson

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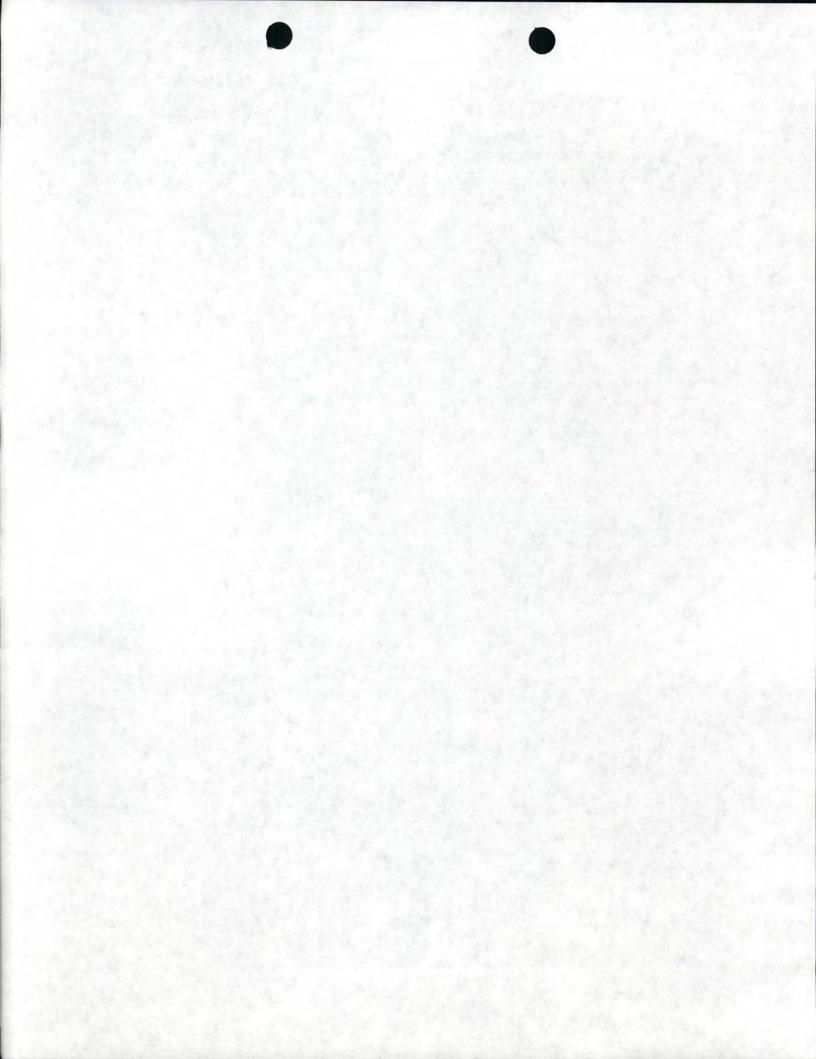


EXHIBIT "E"

Plant Variety Protection Application

No: 8900043

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

I, George R. Allbritten, Secretary of Ferry-Morse Seed Company do
hereby certify that Ferry-Morse Seed Company is the breeder and
owner of that certain variety namely, <u>Lettuce, Fallgreen</u>
for which an application for Plant Variety Protection has been
filed.
In witness whereof I have executed this statement of ownership and
caused the Ferry-Morse Corporate Seal to be affixed this 27 day
of <u>April</u> , 1990.

Secretary

SEAL



ASSIGNMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, HARRIS MORAN SEED COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, having its principal place of business at 4511 Willow Road, Suite 3, Pleasanton, California 94588 ("Assignor"), has, pursuant to that certain Bill of Sale and Assignment dated as of June 30, 1997, transferred to FERRY-MORSE SEED COMPANY (CALIFORNIA), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, having its principal place of business at 555 Codoni Avenue, P.O. Box 4938, Modesto, California 95352-4938 ("Assignee"), all of the intellectual property Assignor had adopted, used and was using as of the effective date of this Assignment, including without limitation, the intellectual property represented by the United States Plant Variety Protection Certificates of Assignor identified on Schedule A hereto (collectively, the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, on the date hereof, Assignee has changed its name to "Harris Moran Seed Company";

NOW, THEREFORE, effective by this instrument as of the close of business on June 30, 1997, and for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee any and all right, title and interest worldwide in and to the Property and any and all recordations thereof, including, but not limited to, the use of the Property in any manner, all benefit of any and all prior use of the Property, and any and all rights to initiate claims or proceedings for past, present or future infringements of Assignor's rights, title and interest in and to the Property.

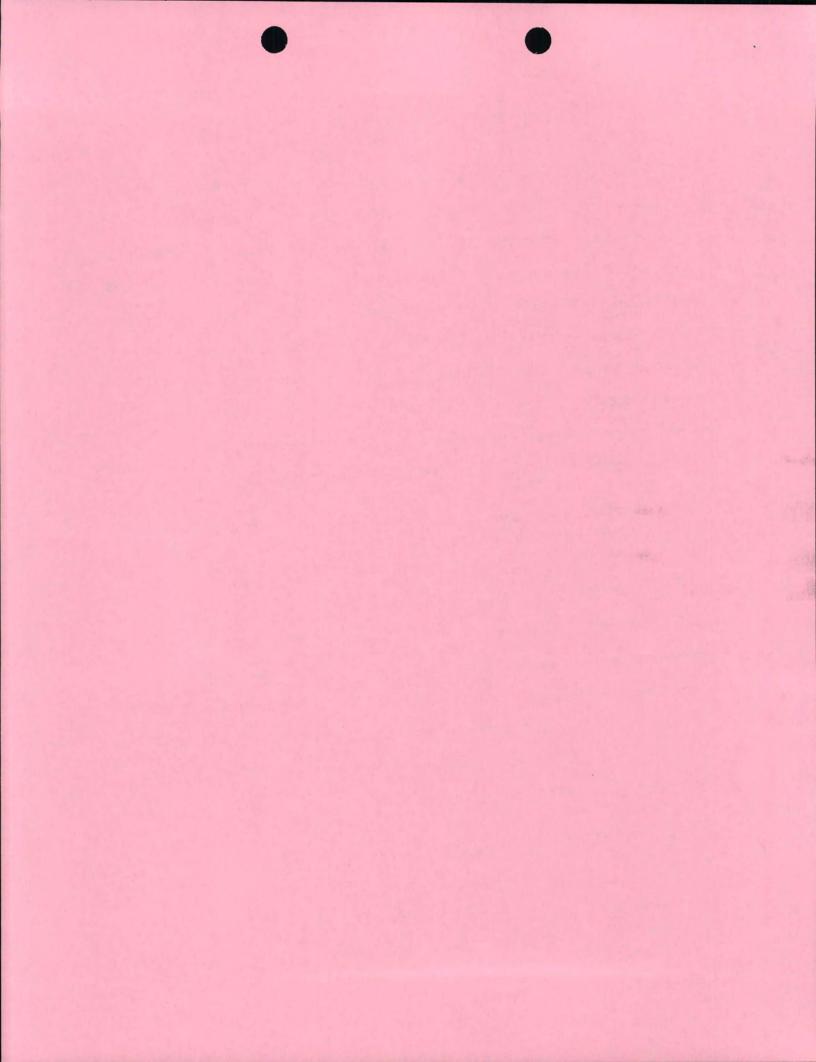
Dated: as of June 30, 1997

HARRIS MORAN SEED COMPANY

Philip Ashgraft, President

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CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT

OF THE

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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In the office of the Secretary of State
of the State of California

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FERRY-MORSE SEED COMPANY (CALIFORNIA)
(a California corporation)

To the Secretary of State State of California

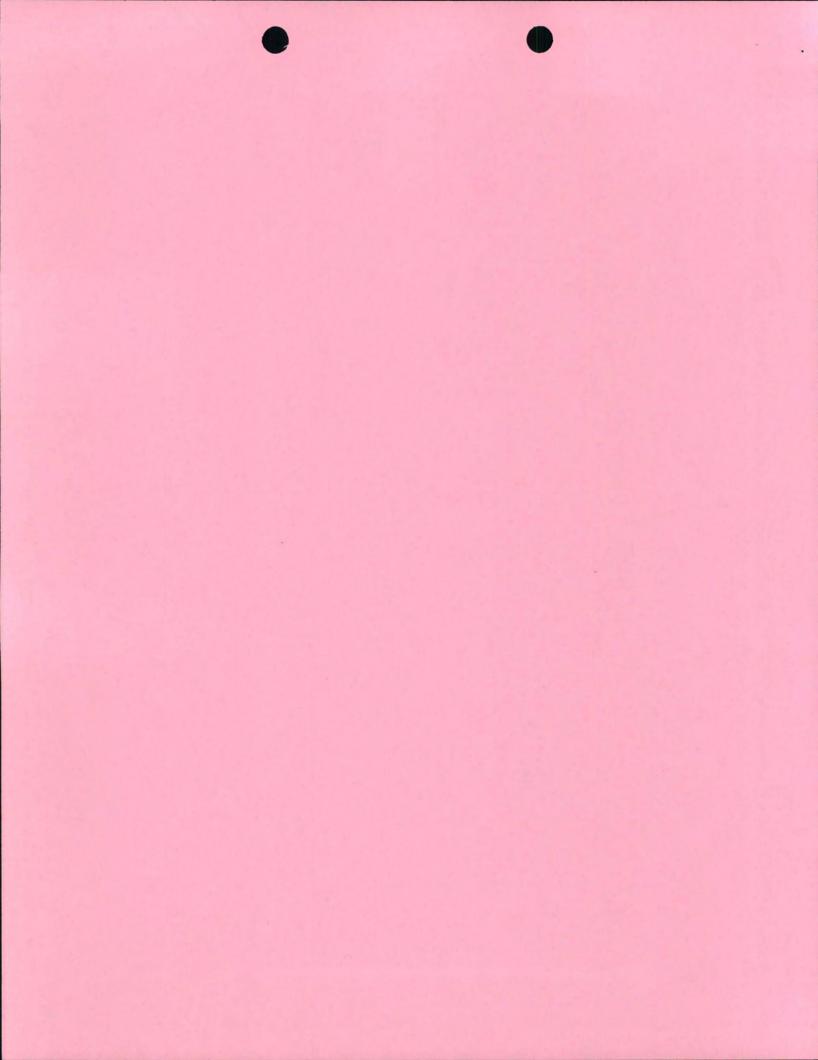
Pursuant to the provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of California, the undersigned officers of FERRY-MORSE SEED COMPANY (CALIFORNIA), a California corporation (the "Corporation"), do hereby certify as follows:

- 1. The name of the Corporation is Ferry-Morse Seed Company (California).
- 2. Article One of the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation, which relates to the name of the Corporation, is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

One. The name of this Corporation is: HARRIS MORAN SEED COMPANY.

- The amendment herein provided for has been approved by the Corporation's Board of Directors.
- 4. The amendment herein provided for was approved by the written consent of the Corporation's sole shareholder in accordance with the provisions of Section 902 of the California General Corporation Law. The total number of outstanding shares of the corporation is 5,000.

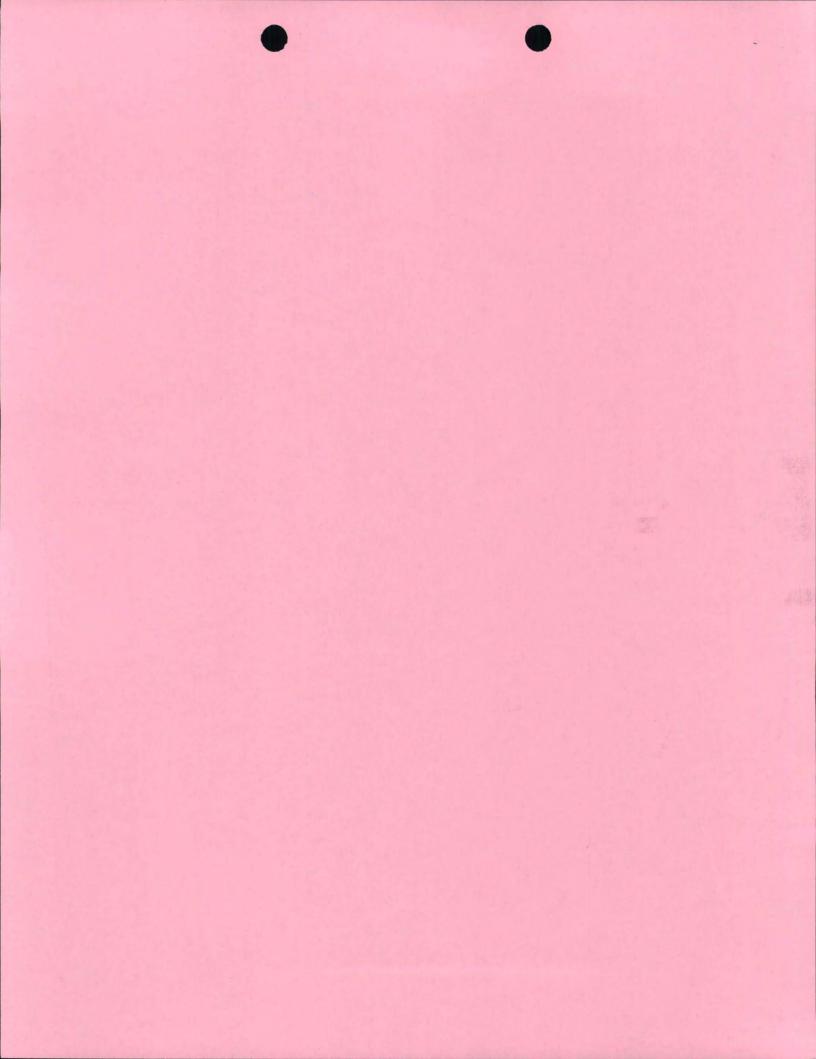
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned does hereby declare under the penalty of perjury that he or she signed the foregoing Certificate of Amendment as of June 30,



1997, in the Town of Modesto, State of California, in the official capacity set forth beneath his or her signature and that the statements set forth in this certificate are true of his or her own knowledge.

Yves Queste, President

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I, BILL JONES, Secretary of State of the State of California, hereby certify:

That the attached transcript has been compared with the record on file in this office, of which it purports to be a copy, and that it is full, true and correct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I execute this certificate and affix the Great Seal of the State of California this

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