## BYLAWS OF

## HIWIRE CONSORTIUM INC.

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## BYLAWS OF <br> HIWIRE CONSORTIUM INC.

## ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

## Section 1.1 NAME

The name of this Corporation is HiWire Consortium Inc.

## Section 1.2 MEMBER

"Member" shall mean all Members of the Corporation who so qualify in accordance with the provisions of Section 12.2.

## Section 1.3 CLASSES OF MEMBERS

Classes of Members: The Corporation shall have two classes of Members: Promoter Members who shall be voting Members, and Participant Members, who shall be non-voting Members.

## ARTICLE II OFFICES

## Section 2.1 PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation is located at 1600 Technology Dr., $5^{\text {th }}$ Floor, San Jose, State of California, 95110, or at such other location as the Board of Directors shall determine from time to time.

## Section 2.2 OTHER OFFICES

The Corporation may have other offices at such places, within or outside of its state of incorporation, where it is qualified to do business as its business and activities may require, and as the Board of Directors may, from time to time designate.

## ARTICLE III NON-PROFIT PURPOSES

## Section 3.1 IRC SECTION 501(c) (6) PURPOSES

The Corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code.

## Section 3.2 SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES

HiWire Consortium Inc. is a non-profit corporation formed to provide a support organization and forum for the advancement and adoption of HiWire Active Electrical Cables ("AECs"), by facilitating the development of high quality compatible HiWire AEC devices and promoting HiWire AECs to accelerate end-user demand for HiWire AEC products through increased public awareness of the benefits of HiWire AECs and the quality of products that have passed compliance testing.

The specific purposes for which the Corporation is organized are:
(a) To define, establish and support a HiWire AEC-product review program, testing protocol and logo-licensing program in support of the HiWire AEC Specifications (as defined below), and to foster and encourage the voluntary adoption of accurate labels, tests, and specifications by developers and test houses of products and services which utilize HiWire AECs;
(b) To develop and distribute specifications and other documents that augment, enhance or extend the existing Attachment Unit Interface Specifications ("AUI Specifications") developed by the IEEE 802.3 committees and multiple multisource agreements ("MSAs") covering specific connector types for the purposes of enabling and promoting increased interoperability and reliability among HiWire AEC products; provided, however, that the Corporation's purposes do not include amending or developing AUI Specifications;
(c) To provide a forum and environment whereby the members of the Corporation may meet to review requirements for product interoperability and general usability;
(d) To educate the business and consumer communities as to the value, benefits and applications for HiWire AEC-based products through the web site, public statements, publications, tradeshow demonstrations, seminar sponsorships and other programs established by the Corporation;
(e) To protect the needs of users, promote ease of use, and increase competition among vendors by supporting the creation and implementation of reliable, uniform, industry- standard compliance test procedures and processes which support the interoperability of HiWire AEC-based products and services;
(f) To maintain relationships and liaison with educational institutions, government research institutes, other technology consortia, and other organizations that
support and contribute to the development of specifications and standards for HiWire AEC-based products; and
(g) To foster competition in the development of new products and services based on AUI Specifications, in conformance with all applicable antitrust laws and regulations

## ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS

## Section 4.1 NUMBER

The Corporation shall have a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of seven (7) Directors and collectively they shall be known as the Board of Directors. The initial number of Directors shall be one (1) until changed by the Board of Directors. The number of Directors of the Corporation may be changed by unanimous approval of the Board of Directors but may not be less than one (1).

## Section 4.2 POWERS

Subject to the provisions of the Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law and any limitations in the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws relating to action required or permitted to be taken or approved by the Members, if any, of this Corporation, the activities and affairs of this Corporation shall be conducted and all corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.

## Section 4.3 DUTIES

It shall be the duty of the Directors to:
(a) Perform any and all duties imposed on them collectively or individually by applicable law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws;
(b) Appoint and remove, employ and discharge, and, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, prescribe the duties and determine the compensation, if any, of all officers, agents and employees of the Corporation;
(c) Supervise all officers, agents and employees of the Corporation to assure that their duties are performed properly;
(d) Meet at such times and places as required by these Bylaws;
(e) Register their addresses with the Secretary of the Corporation, and notices of meetings mailed or telegraphed to them at such addresses shall be valid notices thereof;
(f) Elect annually a Chair from the Corporation's Promoter Membership who may, as determined by the Board of Directors, also serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation and shall perform all duties as required by these Bylaws;
(g) Establish and disband other committees as appropriate to conduct the work of the Corporation;
(h) Approve the Corporation's annual budget. If the annual budget is not approved at the start of each calendar year, the Corporation shall operate based on the prior year's budget, to the extent practical, until an annual budget is approved;
(i) Establish annual dues for all Member classes, and establish privileges and benefits for all classes of Members, and
(j) Administer and establish policies consistent with the Promoter's and Participant's Agreements referenced in Section 12.3.

## Section 4.4 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Directors may be employees or the duly appointed representatives of a Promoter Member of the Corporation. A person shall be accepted as a Director upon submission of the name and title of an employee or duly appointed representative by the Promoter Member to the Secretary. A Promoter Member may hold one seat on the Board of Directors at any time. A Promoter Member may change its designation of Director or the alternate Director at any time by notice to the Secretary. The initial Directors shall be appointed by the Incorporator. If a person being considered as a Director is also an employee or representative of a Promotor Member, then in order to be eligible to serve or continue to serve on the Board, such person must, in addition, be employed by a Promoter Member that meets the following criteria:
(a) Member in good standing current in payment of dues;
(b) Member has technical and marketing resources to invest in HiWire AEC activities;
(c) Member commits to pursue actively the creation and production of products which comply with or implement the HiWire AEC Specification; and
(d) Member commits to actively participate in the activities and purposes of the Corporation.

## Section 4.5 TERM OF OFFICE

All Directors shall be elected for two (2) year terms, and are eligible for re-election to successive terms. Continuation of a Director in office during any term shall be contingent upon the continuing eligibility of such individual as the employee or representative of a Promoter Member in good standing, as provided herein.

## Section 4.6 COMPENSATION

Directors shall not be compensated for their service as Directors. They may, however, receive reimbursement from the Corporation for pre-approved expenses in attending to their Director duties. Directors may serve the Corporation in other capacities such as officer, agent, employee, or otherwise and may receive compensation for such service provided that such compensation is pre-approved in writing by a majority of disinterested Directors.

## Section 4.7 PLACE OF MEETINGS

Meetings of the Directors shall be held at mutually agreed place and times. Meetings may be held in person or by any combination of audio, document or video conferencing techniques.

## Section 4.8 ANNUAL MEETINGS

Annual meetings of Directors shall be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of Members.

## Section 4.9 SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by any Director, or, if different, by the persons specifically authorized under the laws of California to call special meetings of the Board.

## Section 4.10 NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice is not required for annual meetings of the Board of Directors. Notice of any special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be given to all Directors at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance and delivered in person to each Director at his or her residence or business address (or such other address as the Director may have directed in writing) by mail, electronic mail, messenger, facsimile, or other means of written communication, or by telephoning such notice to the Director. Any such notice shall set forth the place, date, and time of the meeting and state the purpose for which the meeting is called.

A Director may waive any notice required by law, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws before or after the date and time stated in the notice, and that waiver shall be equivalent to the giving of notice. A Director's attendance at or participation in a meeting waives any required notice to the Director of the meeting unless the Director, at the beginning of the meeting or promptly upon arrival, objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting. The waiver of a Director who does not attend or participate in the meeting shall be in writing, signed by the Director, and filed with the minutes or corporate records.

## Section 4.11 QUORUM FOR MEETINGS

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the Members of the Board of Directors.
In the absence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting.

## Section 4.12 BOARD ACTION, REMOVAL OF A DIRECTOR

Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the Directors present at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present is the act of the Board of Directors, unless the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or provisions of law require a greater voting percentage or different rules for approval of a matter by the Board. Unless prohibited by the laws of the State of California, the removal of a Director or alternate Director with or without cause shall require the unanimous vote of the disinterested Directors; provided, however, that prior to taking any such removal action, the Board shall notify the Promoter Member represented by such Director or alternate Director in writing that such action is being considered by the Board.

## Section 4.13 CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be presided over by the Chair of the Board of Directors or, in his or her absence, by a Chairperson chosen by a majority of the Directors present at the meeting. The Secretary of the Corporation shall act as secretary of all meetings of the Board provided that, in his or her absence, the presiding officer shall appoint another person to act as Secretary of the Meeting.

A Director may designate and give voting proxy to an alternate representative from the same Promoter Member organization to serve as alternate Director and to attend a Board of Directors meetings when that Director is unable to attend the meeting.

Meetings shall be governed by such procedures as may be approved from time to time by the Board, insofar as such rules are not inconsistent with or in conflict with the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or with provisions of law.

Directors may participate in a regular or special meeting through use of conference telephone, videoconference, or similar communications, provided that all people participating in such meeting can hear one another. Participation in a meeting pursuant to this Section constitutes presence in person at such meeting.

## Section 4.14 BOARD ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING

Any action that the Board of Directors is required or permitted to take may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board consent in writing to that action. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as any other validly approved action of the Board. All such consents shall be filed in a writing, signed by all Directors, with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board maintained in the corporate minutes book at its principal office.

## Section 4.15 VACANCIES, RESIGNATIONS

Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall exist (1) whenever the number of authorized Directors is increased, and if any of the Directors are employed by a Promotor Member, (2) whenever a Director's employer terminates its Promoter Membership in the Corporation, (3) whenever two or more Promoter Members effect a merger or consolidation into a single entity, in which case the surviving Member company shall continue on the Board, and (4) whenever one Promoter Member should acquire more than $50 \%$ of the beneficial ownership of another Promoter Member, in which case the majority beneficial owner member shall continue on the Board.

Any Director may resign effective upon giving written notice to the President, the Secretary, or the Board of Directors, unless the notice specifies a later time for the effectiveness of such resignation. No Director may resign if the Corporation would then be left without a duly elected Director or Directors in charge of its affairs, except upon notice to the Office of the Attorney General or other appropriate agency of this state. Directors may be removed from office, with or without cause, as permitted by and in accordance with the laws of the state of California, and, unless prohibited by the laws of the State of California, by a vote of the disinterested Directors as provided in Section 4.12 above. When a vacancy exists as a result of the provisions of this section, the Promoter Member employing the vacating Director may replace that Director with another employee or duly appointed representative.

If the number of Directors then in office is less than the minimum required by Section 4.1, and if the Promoter Member who has the right hereunder to appoint a Director or Directors to the Board of Directors fails to appoint such Director or Directors, a vacancy on the Board may be filled by approval of a majority of the Directors then in office or by a sole remaining Director. A person elected to fill a vacancy on the Board shall hold office until the next election of the Board of Directors or until his or her death, resignation or removal from office.

## Section 4.16 DUTIES AND NON-LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS

The Directors shall not be personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or other obligations of the Corporation. A person serving on the Board shall perform his/her duties in good faith, in the manner he/she believes to be in the best interests of the Corporation, exercising independent judgment, and acting with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as a prudent person in a like position would use in managing his/her own affairs. A Director shall be entitled to rely on information, opinions, reports, or statements in accordance with the applicable law of the state of California.

## Section 4.17 INDEMNIFICATION BY THE CORPORATION OF DIRECTORSAND OFFICERS

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Corporation shall indemnify each of its present or former Directors and officers against all expenses, judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred by them in connection with any proceedings or any threatened proceedings (hereinafter "proceeding" includes any threatened proceeding) arising
by reason of the fact that any such person is or was a Director or officer of this Corporation; provided, that the Board determines that such Director or officer was acting in good faith and in a manner she or he believed to be in the best interest of the Corporation and, in the case of a criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the conduct of such person was unlawful. Payments authorized hereunder include amounts paid and expenses incurred in settling any such proceeding. The foregoing does not apply to any proceeding specifically excluded by law, which includes actions brought by or in the right of the Corporation and certain actions alleging self-dealing or breach of any duty relating to assets held in charitable trust

## Section 4.18 INSURANCE FOR CORPORATE AGENTS

Except as may be otherwise provided under provisions of law, the Board of Directors may adopt a resolution authorizing the purchase and maintenance of insurance on behalf of any agent of the Corporation (including a Director, officer, employee, or other agent of the Corporation) against liabilities asserted against or incurred, by the agent in such capacity or arising out of the agent's status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify the agent against such liability under the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or provisions of law.

## ARTICLE V OFFICERS

## Section 5.1 DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall be a Chair of the Board of Directors, a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Board of Directors may determine to combine the offices of Chair of the Board of Directors and the President. The Corporation may also have one or more Vice Presidents, Assistant Secretaries, Assistant Treasurers, and other such officers with such titles as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors. Employers of the officers must maintain Promoter membership, fully paid and in good standing, in the Corporation. At the discretion of the Board, officers are not required to be employees or duly appointed representatives of a Promoter Member.

## Section 5.2 ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE

Officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors, at each annual meeting of the Board of Directors and each officer shall hold office up until he or she resigns or is removed or is otherwise disqualified to serve, or until his or her successor shall he elected and qualified, whichever occurs first.

## Section 5.3 REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION

Any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by the Board of Directors; at any time. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors or to the President or Secretary of the Corporation. Any such resignation shall take effect at the date of receipt of such notice or at any later date specified therein, and, unless otherwise
specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. The above provisions of this Section shall be superseded by any conflicting terms of a contract which has been approved or ratified by the Board of Directors relating to the employment of any officer of the Corporation.

## Section 5.4 VACANCIES

Any vacancy caused by the death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise, of any officer shall be filled by the Board of Directors. In the event of a vacancy in any office other than that of Chair of the Board of Directors, such vacancy may be filled temporarily by appointment by the Chair of the Board of Directors until such time as the Board shall fill the vacancy. Vacancies occurring in offices of officers appointed at the discretion of the Board may or may not be filled as the Board shall determine.

## Section 5.5 DUTIES OF CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Chair shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, supervise and control the affairs of the Corporation and the activities of other officers. The Chair shall preside as chairperson at all meetings of the Board of Directors. He or she shall perform all duties incident to his or her office and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws, or which may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

## Section 5.6 DUTIES OF PRESIDENT

The President shall be the chief operating officer of the Corporation and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, manage the affairs of the Corporation and the activities of the other officers. He or she shall perform all duties incident to his or her office and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws, or which may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors, including presiding as chairperson at all meetings of the Members.

Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws, the President shall in the name of the Corporation execute such deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, checks, or other instruments which may from time to time be authorized by the Board of Directors.

## Section 5.7 DUTIES OF VICE PRESIDENT

In the absence of the President, or in the event of his or her inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all the restrictions on, the President.

The Vice President shall have other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws, or as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.

## Section 5.8 DUTIES OF SECRETARY

The Secretary shall:
Certify and keep at the principal office of the Corporation the original, or a copy, of these Bylaws as amended or otherwise altered to date.

Keep at the principal office of the Corporation or at such other place as the Board may determine, a book of minutes of all meetings of the Directors, and, if applicable, meetings of committees of Directors and of Members, recording the time and place of such meeting, whether regular or special, how called, how notice was given, the names of those present or represented at the meeting, and the proceedings including all ballots and proxies.

See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law. Advise the Members in writing of all results of any election of Directors.

Be custodian of the records and of the seal of the Corporation and affix the seal, as authorized by law or the provisions of these Bylaws, to duly executed documents of the Corporation.

Keep at the principal office of the Corporation a membership book containing the name and address of each and any Members; and, in the case where any membership has been terminated, he or she shall record such fact in the membership book together with the date on which such membership ceased.

Exhibit at all reasonable time to any Director of the Corporation, or to his or her agent or attorney, on request therefor, the Bylaws; the membership book, and the minutes of the proceedings of the Directors of the Corporation.

In general, perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board of Directors.

## Section 5.9 DUTIES OF TREASURER

The Treasurer shall:
Have charge and custody of, and be responsible for, all funds and securities of the Corporation, and deposit all such funds in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected by the Board of Directors.

Receive, and give receipt for, monies due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever.

Disburse, or cause to be disbursed, the funds of the Corporation as may be directed by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements.

Keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of the Corporation's properties and business transactions, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements; gains and losses.

Exhibit at all reasonable times the books of account and; financial records to any Director of the Corporation, or to his or her agent or attorney, on request therefor.

Render to the President and Directors, whenever requested an account of any or all of his/her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation.

Prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify, or cause to be certified, the financial statements to be included in any required reports.

In general, perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by the Board of Directors.

## Section 5.10 COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS

The officers shall serve without compensation unless compensation is authorized by the Board of Directors. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any officer from serving the Corporation in any other capacity as an agent, employee, or otherwise, and receiving compensation therefore as long as such compensation is approved by a majority of disinterested Directors.

## ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

## Section 6.1 COMMITTEES

The Board of Directors may establish Working Committees to carry out the work of the Corporation. Such Committees may include a standing Compliance Committee, a standing Marketing Committee, a Device Working Group and any other Working Committee as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. These committees may consist of and be chaired by Members in any category and shall act only in an advisory capacity to the Board, and without authority to take action on any matter requiring action of the Board. The Chair of such committees shall be an employee or duly appointed representative of a Promoter or Participant Member of the organization.

The Board of Directors shall (1) approve the formation of each Working Committee, (ii) appoint the Chairperson and members of such Working Committee, (iii) determine the scope of work and desired output from each Committee, and (iv) review and consider Committee output for ratification, as appropriate, as official documentation of the Corporation. The Board shall have the authority to dissolve or reorganize a Working Committee.

## Section 6.2 MEETINGS AND ACTION OF COMMITTEES-

Meetings and action of the Committees shall be governed by, noticed, held and taken in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws concerning meetings of the Board of Directors, with such changes in the context of such Bylaw provisions as are necessary to substitute the Committee and its Members for the Board of Directors, except that the time for regular and special meetings of Committees may be fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors or by the Committee. The Board of Directors may also adopt rules and regulations pertaining to the conduct of meetings of committees to the extent that such rules and regulations are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Bylaws.

## Section 6.3 OUTPUT

The output of a Working Committee shall be a written recommendation or proposal on the subject matter or undertaking assigned to such Working Committee, which recommendation or proposal shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for consideration and, if approved by the Board, ratification as an official document of the Corporation. Copyright on all Committee output and official documentation shall be held in the name of and by the Corporation. At the first meeting of a Working Committee, a schedule for meeting and activity milestone dates will be proposed and presented for approval by the Board.

## Section 6.4 EXPENSES

Costs and expenses of participation in a Working Committee shall be borne by the Members participating, unless otherwise determined by the Board.

## Section 6.5 PUBLIC STATEMENTS

The statements, releases, and reports, including but not limited to the output of any Working Committee, shall be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the issuance of any public statement, press release or publication, oral or written, by any Committee or Member that purports to be or may be construed as a position of the Corporation. The Board may adopt written guidelines binding on Members in furtherance of this policy.

## ARTICLE VII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS

## Section 7.1 EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS

The Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, may by resolution authorize any officer or agent of the Corporation to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Unless so authorized, no officer, agent, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the Corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable monetarily for any purpose or in any amount.

## Section 7.2 CHECKS AND NOTES

Except as otherwise specifically determined by resolution of the Board of Directors, or as otherwise required by law checks, drafts, promissory notes, orders for the payment of money, and other evidence of indebtedness of the Corporation shall be signed by the Treasurer and approved by the President of the Corporation, except in cases where the amount exceeds a predetermined threshold set by the Board. In such cases, a check shall require a second signature by an officer of the Corporation in addition to the signature of the Treasurer.

## Section 7.3 DEPOSITS

All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

## Section 7.4 GIFTS

The Board of Directors may accept on behalf and for the benefit of the Corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devisee for the nonprofit purposes of this Corporation.

## ARTICLE VIII CORPORATE RECORDS, REPORTS AND SEAL

## Section 8.1 MAINTENANCE OF CORPORATE RECORDS

The Corporation shall keep at its principal office:
(a) Minutes of all meetings of Directors, committees of the Board and. all meetings of Members, indicating the time and place of holding such meetings, whether regular or special, how called, the notice given, and the names of those present and the proceedings thereof including all proxies;
(b) Adequate and correct books and records of account, including accounts of its properties and business transactions and accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements; gains and losses;
(c) A record of its Members, if any, indicating their names and addresses and, if applicable, the class of membership held by each Member and the termination date of any membership;
(d) A copy of the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, as amended to date, which shall be open to inspection by the Members of the Corporation at all reasonable times during office hours.

## Section 8.2 CORPORATE SEAL

The Board of Directors may adopt, use, and, at will alter, a corporate seal. Such seal shall be kept at the principal office of the Corporation. Failure to affix the seal to corporate instruments, however, shall not affect the validity of any such instrument.

## Section 8.3 DIRECTORS' INSPECTION RIGHTS

Every Director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect and copy all books, records and documents of every kind, and to inspect the physical properties of the Corporation and shall have such other rights to inspect the books, records and properties of this Corporation as may be required under the Articles of Incorporation, other provisions of these Bylaws, and provisions of any applicable law.

## Section 8.4 RIGHT TO COPY AND MAKE EXTRACTS

Any inspection under the provisions of this Article may be made in person or by agent or attorney and the right to inspection shall include the right to copy and make extracts.

## Section 8.5 PERIODIC REPORT

The Board shall cause any annual or periodic report required under law to be prepared and delivered to an office of this state or to the Members, if any, of this Corporation, to be so prepared and delivered within the time limits set by law.

## ARTICLE IX IRS 501(c)(6) TAX EXEMPTION PROVISIONS

## Section 9.1 LIMITATION ON ACTIVITIES

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a Corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

## Section 9.2 PROHIBITION AGAINST PRIVATE INUREMENT

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of its Directors, officers, Members, or other private individuals, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for the Corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE X AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Except as otherwise provided in herein, these Bylaws may be amended or repealed and new Bylaws may be made at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors upon receiving a majority of the votes of Directors then serving. Any amendment affecting the voting
rights of any Members or their appointed Directors must be approved by a majority of those Members entitled to vote. The Board shall receive at least five (5) days' written notice of any meeting of Directors at which an amendment to these Bylaws has been submitted to a vote of the Board. The notice shall state that the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the meeting is to consider a proposed amendment to the Bylaws and contain or be accompanied by a copy or summary of the amendment or state the general nature of the amendment.

## ARTICLE XI CONSTRUCTION AND TERMS

If there is any conflict between the provisions of these Bylaws and the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation, the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation shall govern.

Should any of the provisions or portions of these Bylaws be held unenforceable or invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions and portions of these Bylaws shall be unaffected by such holdings.

All references in these Bylaws to the Articles of Incorporation shall be to the Articles of Incorporation, Articles of Organization, Certificate of Incorporation, Organizational Charter; Corporate Charter, or other founding document of the Corporation filed with an office of this state and used to establish the legal existence of the Corporation.

All references in these Bylaws to a section or sections of the Internal Revenue Code shall be to such sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended from time to time, or to corresponding provisions of any future federal tax code.

## ARTICLE XII MEMBERSHIP PROVISIONS

## Section 12.1 DETERMINATION AND RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

The Corporation shall have two classes of Members: Promoter Members and Participant Members. Promoter Members shall have voting rights in the Corporation. Except as expressly provided in or authorized by the Member Agreement, the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws of this Corporation, or provision of law, all Members shall have the rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions established by resolution of the Board of Directors for their respective class of membership.

No Member shall hold more than one Promoter Membership in the Corporation. Where it appears that an organization is, via related, partially owned, or subsidiary entities, seeking membership in the Corporation for such entities, the Board of Directors shall determine the suitability of the memberships by considering written guidelines and the best interests of the Corporation.

## Section 12.2 QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The qualifications for membership in this Corporation are as follows:
Any Profit Corporation, Non-profit Corporation, Government Organization, Educational Institution or other enterprise supportive of this Corporation's goals, policies and procedures is qualified to become a Member of the Corporation. Promoter Members shall be companies engaged in research and development of the AECs specifications, which in addition have demonstrated substantial leadership in and a good faith commitment to the purposes and objectives of the Corporation, as determined by the Board. Acceptance of a membership application is discretionary by the Board. An entity may become a Promoter Member upon unanimous approval of the Promoter Members at the time such application is submitted.

## Section 12.3 ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP

Applicants shall be admitted to membership upon completion of a Membership Application, payment of the applicable annual dues fee as specified, and entering into a Membership Agreement.

## Section 12.4 FEES AND DUES

The annual dues payable to the Corporation by each class of Members shall be established and may be changed from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors. Dues shall be due and payable upon written commitment to join the Corporation. Dues shall be for the twelve (12) months from the date of the applicant's written commitment to join and shall be due and payable each successive year on that same date provided membership is retained by the Member. If any Member is delinquent in the payment of dues, such Member's rights, including all Promoter rights, shall be deemed revoked upon written notice from the Corporation until all delinquent dues are paid.

## Section 12.5 NUMBER OF MEMBERS

There is no limit on the number of Members in either class of Members which the Corporation may admit.

## Section 12.6 MEMBERSHIP RECORD

The Corporation shall keep a membership record containing the name and address of each Member, the date upon which the applicant became a Member, and the name of one individual from each Member organization who shall serve as a primary contact for the Corporation, receive all correspondence and information, distribute this information within his/her organization, and in the case of Promoter Members vote on all issues submitted to a vote of the Promoter Members. Termination of the membership of any Member shall be recorded in the membership record, together with the date of termination of such membership. Such membership record shall be kept at the Corporation's principal office.

## Section 12.7 NON-LIABILITY OF MEMBERS

No Member of this Corporation is, as such, individually liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of the Corporation or any of the other Members.

## Section 12.8 NON-TRANSFERABILITY OF MEMBERSHIPS

No Promoter Member may transfer a membership or any right arising therefrom, except to an entity that is a successor at law, which also meets the criteria for Promoter Membership, unless approved by the Board of Directors and a majority vote of the remaining Promoter Members. All rights of membership cease upon the Member's dissolution.

## Section 12.9 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

The membership of a Member shall terminate upon the occurrence of any of the following events:
(a) Upon a failure to initiate or renew membership by paying dues on or before their due date, such termination to be effective thirty (30) days after a written notification of delinquency is given personally or mailed to such Member by the Secretary of the Corporation. A Member may avoid such termination by paying the amount of delinquent dues within a thirty (30) day period following the Member's receipt of the written notification delinquency.
(b) Upon written notice of resignation from the Member, or
(c) After providing the Member with reasonable written notice, in no event less than fifteen (15) days, and an opportunity to be heard either orally or in writing, upon a determination by the Board of Directors that the Member is in default of the Member Agreement referenced in Section 12.3 of these Bylaws.

All rights of a Member in the Corporation shall cease on termination of membership as herein provided. A Member expelled from the Corporation shall not receive a prorated refund of dues already paid for the current dues period.

## ARTICLE XIIIMEETINGS OF MEMBERS

## Section 13.1 PLACE OF MEETINGS

Meetings of Members shall be designated from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors and be held at places and times reflecting the global nature of the Corporation and to encourage maximum participation. Meetings may be held in person or by any combination of audio, document or video teleconferencing techniques.

## Section 13.2 REGULAR MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

The Annual Meetings of Members shall be held for the purpose of announcing the Directors and transacting other business as may come before the meeting. The Annual Meeting shall be deemed a regular meeting.

Other regular meetings of the Members shall be held on dates and at times to be determined by the Board of Directors, with the expectation that there will be at least one additional meeting of Members each year.

## Section 13.3 SPECIAL MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Special meetings of the Members for any purpose shall be called by the Board of Directors or by written request of two-thirds (2/3) of the Promoter Members.

## Section 13.4 NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Unless otherwise provided by the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or provisions of law, notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting of Members and in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered not less than fifteen (15) days before the date of the meeting, at the direction of the President, or the Secretary, or the persons calling the meeting, by postal mail, electronic mail, or by facsimile transmission or other electronic means to each Member. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the mail addressed to the Member's prime contact at his or her address as it appears on the records of the Corporation, with postage prepaid. Personal notification includes notification by telephone electronic mail facsimile or other electronic means provided however in the case of facsimile notification or electronic mail the Member to be contacted shall acknowledge personal receipt of the facsimile notice or electronic message by a return facsimile or electronic message or telephone call within three (3) working days of the first notification.

The notice of any meeting of Members at which Directors are to be elected shall also state the names of all those who are nominees or candidates for election to the Board at the time notice is given or as soon thereafter as such information is known.

Whenever any notice of a meeting is required to be given to any Member of this Corporation under provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or the law of this state, a waiver of notice in writing signed by the Member, whether before or after the time of the meeting, shall be equivalent to the giving of such notice.

## Section 13.5 QUORUM FOR MEETINGS

A quorum for voting at any meeting of the Members shall consist of two-thirds (2/3) of the Promoter Members of the Corporation as of the date of the meeting. In respect to other lawful action, the applicable record date shall be determined in accordance with California law.

Except as otherwise provided under the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, provisions of law, or instructions issued by the Board of Directors, no business shall be considered by the Members at any meeting at which the required quorum is not present, and the only motion which the chair shall entertain at such meeting is a motion to adjourn.

## Section 13.6 MEMBERSHIP ACTION

Every act or decision done or made by two-thirds (2/3) of Promoter Members present in person or by proxy at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is required is the act of the Members, unless the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or provisions of law require a greater number.

## Section 13.7 PROMOTER MEMBER RIGHTS

Each Promoter Member shall have one (1) vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the Promoter Members. A Promoter Member, including Affiliates as defined below, shall be deemed to be one Promoter Member with one vote. Voting at meetings shall be by a show of hands if held in person, or by voice ballot if held by audio, video or document teleconferencing, unless otherwise required. Results of all ballots shall duly be distributed to all Members within thirty (30) days of each ballot.

## Section 13.8 DEFINITION OF AFFILIATE

"Affiliate" means an entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with another, so long as such control exists. Control means beneficial ownership of more than fifty percent ( $50 \%$ ) of the voting power or equity in an entity.

## Section 13.9 ACTION BY WRITTEN BALLOT

Except as otherwise provided, under the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or provisions of law, any action which may be taken at any regular or special meeting of Members may be taken without a meeting if the Corporation distributes a written ballot to each Promoter Member.

The ballot shall:
(a) Set forth the proposed action;
(b) Provide an opportunity to specify approval or disapproval of each proposal;
(c) Indicate the number of responses needed to meet the quorum requirement and state the percentage of approvals necessary to pass the measure submitted; and
(d) Specify the date by which the ballot must be received by the Corporation in order to be counted. The date set shall afford Members a reasonable time within which to return the ballots to the Corporation.

Ballots shall be mailed or delivered in the manner required for giving notice of membership meetings as specified in these Bylaws.

Approval of action by written ballot shall be valid only when the number of votes cast by ballot with within the time period specified equals or exceeds the quorum, if required to be present at a meeting authorizing the action, and the number of approvals equals or exceeds the number of votes that would be required to approve the action at a meeting at which the total number of votes cast was the same as the number of votes cast by ballot.

## Section 13.10 CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

Meetings of Members shall be presided over by the President of the Corporation or in his or her absence, by the Vice President of the Corporation or, in the absence of all of these persons, by a Chairperson chosen by a majority of the Promoter Members present at the meeting. The Secretary of the Corporation shall act as Secretary of all meetings of Members, provided that in his or her absence, the presiding officer shall appoint another person to act as Secretary of the Meeting.

Meetings shall be conducted to allow for active, fair and open participation by all Members attending the meeting. All participants shall have the right to express opinions on the subject matter, whether or not these opinions dissent with that of the majority. Where a decision is called for, it shall be effected by voice vote and each Promoter Member shall have the opportunity to vote on the outcome. Meetings may not be adjourned until questions, opinions and comments from all participating Members are voiced and duly recorded by the presiding person.

## Section 13.11 PROXIES

Every Promoter Member shall have the right to vote either in person or by one or more agents authorized by a proxy validly executed by the Promoter Member. A proxy may be executed by written authorizations signed, or by electronic transmission authorized, by the Promoter Member, giving the proxy holder(s) the power to vote the vote. A proxy shall be deemed signed if the Promoter Member's name or other authorization is placed on the proxy (whether by manual signature, typewriting, telegraphic or electronic transmission, or otherwise) by the Promoter Member. A proxy may be held only by a Promoter Member of the Corporation.

A validly executed proxy which does not state that it is irrevocable shall continue in full force and effect unless revoked by the person executing it, prior to the vote pursuant thereto, by a writing delivered to the cooperation stating that the proxy is revoked or by a subsequent proxy executed by or attendance at the meeting by the person executing the proxy; provided, however, that no such proxy shall be valid after the expiration of eleven (11) months from the date of such a proxy, unless otherwise provided in the proxy. The revocability of a proxy that states on its face that it is irrevocable shall be governed by the provisions of California Corporations Code.

## CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify:

That I am the duly elected and acting Secretary of HiWire Consortium Inc., a California nonprofit mutual benefit Corporation; and

The foregoing Bylaws comprising twenty-four (24) pages, plus this page, constitute the Bylaws of the Corporation as duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said Corporation as of October 30, 2019.

Dated: October 30, 2019
Signed Sheng Huang, President and Secretary

