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If the Department finds that an application for registration meets the requirements of this title and all required fees have been paid, it shall:

- (1) Endorse on the application the date and time of its acceptance for record;
 - (2) Record promptly the document; AND
 - (3) [Issue a certificate of registration to do business in this State; and
- (4)] (I) [Return the certificate of registration] SEND AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT to the person who filed the application or a representative of the person who filed the application STATING THE DATE AND TIME THAT THE DOCUMENT WAS ACCEPTED FOR RECORD: AND
- (II) AT THE REQUEST OF UNLESS THE PERSON WHO FILED THE APPLICATION OR THE PERSON'S REPRESENTATIVE, AT THE TIME OF FILING, ACCOMPANIED BY DECLINES THE RETURN, RETURN THE DOCUMENT ON PAYMENT OF THE FEE PROVIDED IN § 1–203(B)(10) OF THIS ARTICLE, RETURN THE DOCUMENT. 9A–1002.
- (a) The Department may not accept for record or filing any document of a limited liability partnership that does not conform with law.
- (b) Any document which purports to be acknowledged may be treated by the Department as properly acknowledged.
- (c) The Department may not accept for record or filing any certificates, qualification, registration, change of resident agent or principal office, report, service of process or notice, or other document until all required recording, filing, and other fees have been paid to the Department.
- (d) When the Department accepts for record any certificate or other document, the Department shall:
- (1) Endorse on the document its acceptance for record and the date and time of acceptance;
 - (2) Record promptly the document; and
- (3) (I) [Return the document] SEND AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT to the limited liability partnership, its attorney, or its agent STATING THE DATE AND TIME THAT THE DOCUMENT WAS ACCEPTED FOR RECORD; AND
- (II) AT THE REQUEST OF UNLESS THE LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP, ITS ATTORNEY, OR ITS AGENT, AT THE TIME OF FILING, ACCOMPANIED BY DECLINES THE RETURN, RETURN THE DOCUMENT ON PAYMENT OF THE FEE PROVIDED IN \S 1–203(B)(10) OF THIS ARTICLE, RETURN THE DOCUMENT.