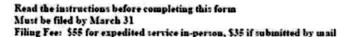


## Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State

Minnesota Public Benefit Corporation / Annual Benefit Report

Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 304.4





The Annual Benefit Report covers the 12 mouth period ending on December 31 of the previous year.

Notice: Failure to file this form by March 31 of this year will result in the revocation of the corporation's public benefit status without further notice from the Secretary of State, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 304A.301

1. Corporate Name: (Required) | Spades, SBC

- 2. The public benefit corporation's board of directors has reviewed and approved this report.
- 3. In the field below, enter the information required by section 304A.301 subd. 2 or 3 for the period covered by this report, (see instructions for further information). Note: Use additional sheets if needed. (Required)

For the calendar year 2020, Spades, SBC pursued its benefit purpose by growing its global coalition of tree growers, acquiring species selection technology, and developing financial models for future investors. We grew our executive team to include finance and science leaders, as well as forestry and people. We initiated discussions about several projects that are aligned with our benefit purpose.

Progress was slowed by CoVid-19

4. I, the undersigned, certify that I am the chief executive officer of this public benefit corporation. I further certify that I have signed

this document no more than 30 days before the document is delivered to the secretary of state for filing, and that this document is current when signed. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath. Raymond J. Menard Signature of Public Benefit Corporation's Chief Executive Officer 28 January 2021 Date (Must be dated within 30 days before the report is delivered to the Secretary of State for Filing) Email Address for Official Notices Enter an email address to which the Secretary of State can forward official notices required by law and other notices: ray.menard@spades.life (a) Check here to have your email address excluded from requests for bulk data, to the extent allowed by Minnesota law. List a name and daytime phone number of a person who can be contacted about this form: Raymond Menard 612-386-4481 Contact Name Phone Number

Entities that own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed must register with the MN Dept. of Agriculture's Corporate Farm Program.

Does this entity own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed?

Yes \[ \] No \[ \mathbb{m} \]



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