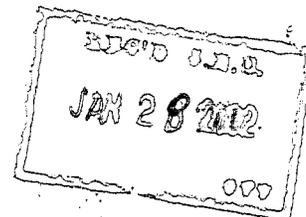




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Ms. Krista M. Hughes
Branch Chief
Securities and Exchange Commission
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Room 1004 -- STOP/1-4
450 Fifth Street, NW
Judiciary Plaza
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Ms. Hughes:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1933 (Solutia Inc.) Upper DECS. The NYSE requests simultaneous acceleration of registration of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, together with the 1933 Act. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on January 28, 2002. Tentative listing date – February 1, 2002.

Sincerely,

Baras Aladho

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