

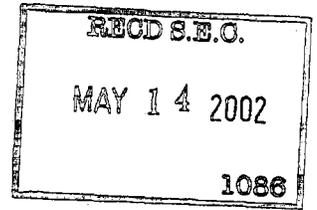
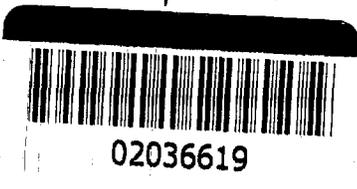
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Dear Ms. Hughes:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Wells Fargo Financial, Inc., 6.125% Senior Notes 2012 Series due April 18, 2012 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on May 14, 2002. Tentative listing date - May 17, 2002.

Sincerely,

Paras Madho

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