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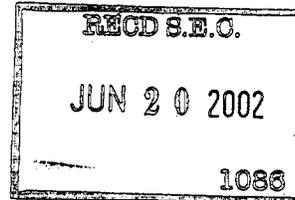


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Ms. Krista M. Hughes
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Dear Ms. Hughes:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Del Monte Foods Company, Rights to Purchase Series B Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A/A (Amendment No. 1) received on June 20, 2002.

Sincerely,

Pawel Madho