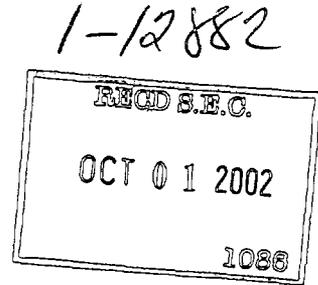


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, **BOYD GAMING CORPORATION**, 9.25% Senior Notes due 2009 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on October 1, 2002. Tentative listing date – October 4, 2002.

Sincerely,

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