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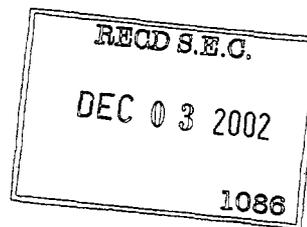
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, M.D.C. Holdings, Inc., 7% Senior Notes due 2012 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on December 3, 2002. Tentative listing date – December 5, 2002.

Sincerely,