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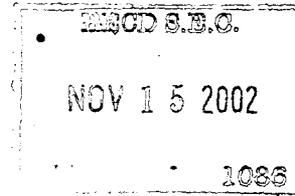
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, St. Mary Land & Exploration Company, Common Stock, \$.01 par value and Rights to Purchase Common Stock and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on November 15, 2002. Tentative listing date - November 20, 2002.

Sincerely,

Paras eladho