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The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, M.D.C. Holdings, Inc., 5 ½% Senior Notes due 2013 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on May 19, 2003. Tentative listing date — May 21, 2003.

Sincerely, allows allows