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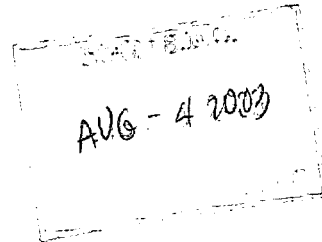
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Wells Fargo Capital VIII, 5.625% Trust Preferred Securities (and the Guarantee with respect thereto) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on August 4, 2003. Tentative listing date – August 5, 2003.

Sincerely,