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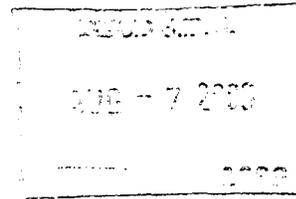


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Claire's Stores, Inc., Rights to Purchase Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on August 7, 2003.

Sincerely,