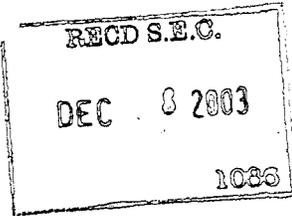


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, MetLife, Inc., % Senior Notes due November, 2033 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on December 8, 2003. Tentative listing date - Not yet determined.

Sincerely,