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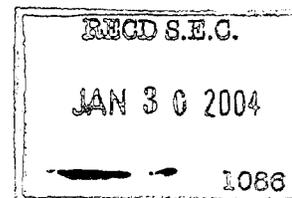


American Stock Exchange
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is to certify that on January 29, 2004, the American Stock Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange") received from Vanguard World Funds (the "Registrant"), a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A for the registration of the following securities:

Vanguard Consumer Discretionary VIPERs
Vanguard Consumer Staples VIPERs
Vanguard Financials VIPERs
Vanguard Health Care VIPERs
Vanguard Information Technology VIPERs
Vanguard Materials VIPERs
Vanguard Utilities VIPERs

We further certify that the above described securities have been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking immediate acceleration of the effective date of registration, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

Bryan Fischer

Bryan Fischer
Director
Listing Qualifications Department

cc: Herbert Scholl