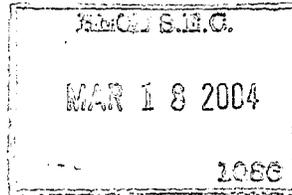




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Dear Ms. Stroud:

This is to certify that the American Stock Exchange LLC (the "Exchange") received from Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (the "Registrant") a copy of the Company's application on Form 8-A for the registration of the following security:

Principal Protected CIBC Optimizer Notes  
(Linked to a basket of ten U.S. Stocks)  
due March 31, 2009

We further certify that the above security has been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration, upon official notice of issuance, and understand that the 8A will be immediately effective upon your receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,