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July 8, 2004

Mr. Brian Johnson  
Branch Chief  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
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Room 1004 – STOP/1-4  
450 Fifth Street, NW  
Judiciary Plaza  
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, WEINGARTEN REALTY INVESTORS, Depository Shares (Each representing 1/100 of a share of 6.95% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares, par value \$.03 per share) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on July 8, 2004. Tentative listing date – July 9, 2004.

Sincerely,

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