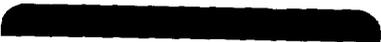


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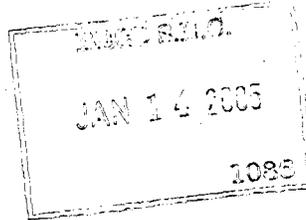
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, IVANHOE MINES LTD., Common Shares without par value and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on January 14, 2005. Tentative listing date - January 18, 2005.

Sincerely,

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