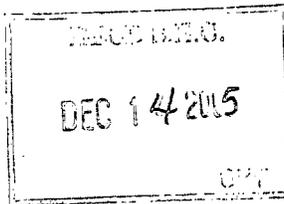




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Dear Mr. Johnson:

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:

MERITS
Principal Protected Annual Coupons
Linked to a Basket of Ten Large-Cap U.S. Stocks

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,



Richard A. Mikaliunas