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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, MARINER ENERGY, INC., Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 3-A received on February 9, 2006. Tentative listing date - Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

Paras Madho