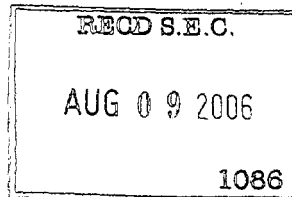


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, HEALTH NET, INC., Preferred Stock Purchase Rights and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on August 9, 2006.

Sincerely,

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