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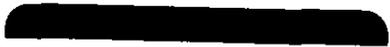
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Ms. Cecile Peters
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U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
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Dear Ms. Peters:

This is to certify that on July 24, 2008 The Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Exchange") received from ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORPORATION (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A 12(b) for the registration of the following security:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

We further certify that the security described above has been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking immediate acceleration of the effective date of registration, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

Gary Sundick

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