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Ms. Velma T. Smith  
Branch Chief  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Branch of Filer Support 2  
Room 2531  
100 F Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Ms. Smith:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, BB&T Capital Trust VII, Trust Preferred Securities of BB&T Capital Trust VII, (Junior Subordinated Debentures of BB&T Corporation, BB&T Corporation Guarantee with respect to Trust Preferred Securities of BB&T Capital Trust VII. Not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of the Trust Preferred Securities) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on October 28, 2009. Tentative listing date – November 2, 2009

Sincerely,