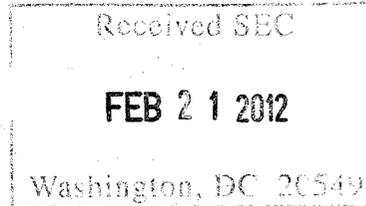




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Chief, IT Services  
Division of Corporation Finance  
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20549

CERT NAS  
File No. 001-35432

Dear Ms. Peters:

This is to certify that on February 21, 2012 The Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Exchange") received from ZaZa Energy Corporation (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on 8A 12(b) for the registration of the following security:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

We further certify that the securities described above have been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration upon official notice of issuance.

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

Sincerely,