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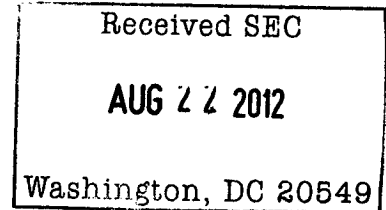
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To whom it may concern:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Protective Life Corporation, 6.00% Subordinated Debentures due 2042, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on August 20, 2012. Tentative listing date – August 22, 2012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edw Mecabe".