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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, APOLLO COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE FINANCE, INC., 8.625% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on July 30, 2012. Tentative listing date – August 2, 2012.

Sincerely,