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11 Wall Street
New York, NY 10005

January 31, 2013



Ms. Velma Smith, Branch Chief
Securities and Exchange Commission
Division of Corporation Finance – Filer Support Office
100 F Street, N.W., Mail Stop 3040
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: First Trust Exchange-Traded Fund III
Issuer CIK: 0001424212
SEC File Number: 001-34772
Form Type: 8-A12B
Filing Date: 1/29/2013

Dear Ms. Smith:

Please be advised that NYSE Regulation, Inc. has received an application from the above-referenced issuer and has approved the following security for listing on NYSE Arca, Inc. (the "Exchange"):

First Trust Preferred Securities and Income ETF

The Exchange requests acceleration of registration of this security under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. If there are any questions, please call me at (212)-656-5839. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Reid Carroll".

Reid Carroll