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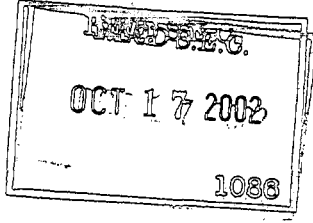


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Mr. Brian Johnson  
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES, INC., Common Stock, without par value and Right to Purchase Shares of Common Stock, without par value and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on October 17, 2002. Tentative listing date – October 18, 2002.

Sincerely,

*Parad Madho*