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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Exchange Act of 1933, MADISON STRATEGIC SECTOR PREMIUM FUND, Common Shares of Beneficial Interest. The NYSE requests simultaneous acceleration of registration of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, together with the 1933 Act. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on March 24, 2005. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,