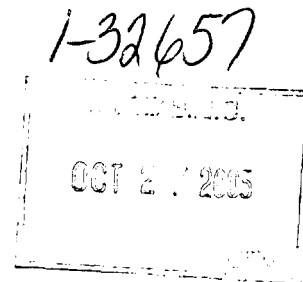


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD., Common Shares, par value \$.001 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on October 27, 2005. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,