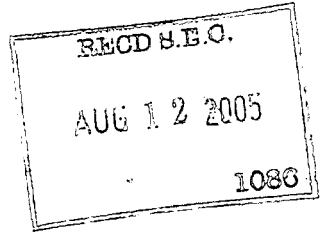


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, iShares Trust, iShares Russell Microcap Index Fund and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on August 12, 2005. Tentative listing date – August 15, 2005.

Sincerely,

Sarah Madros

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