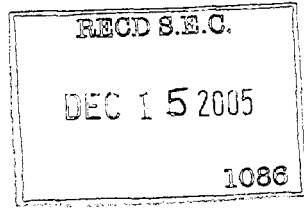




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December 15, 2005



Mr. Brian Johnson
Branch Chief
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Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, NE
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is to certify that on December 15, 2005, the American Stock Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange") received from Almaden Minerals, Ltd. (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8A 12 B for the registration of the following securities:

Common Stock, without par value

We further certify that the above described security has been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking immediate acceleration of the effective date of registration, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

Bryan Fischer

Bryan Fischer
Managing Director
Listing Qualifications Department

cc: Herbert Scholl

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