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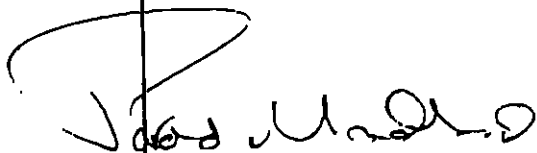
Ms. Velma T. Smith
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Dear Ms. Smith:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, STRATEGIC HOTELS & RESORTS, INC., 8.50% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on September 28, 2007. Tentative listing date - October 2, 2007.

Sincerely,



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