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The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, M.D.C. HOLDINGS, INC. 6.000% Senior Notes due 2043, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on January 10, 2013. Tentative listing date – January 15, 2013.

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