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**By Electronic Mail** 

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Mr. Jeffrey Thomas

**Division of Corporation Finance** 

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100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to certify that on January 23, 2013 The Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Exchange") received from Pernix **Therapeutics Holdings**, Inc. (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A 12(b) for the registration of the following security:

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

We further certify that the security described above 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,

William Lattery