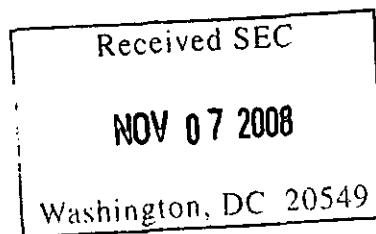


 **NYSE Regulation****VIA FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL**

November 7, 2008

Ms. Velma Smith, Branch Chief
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Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W., Room #1004
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.—Original Listing

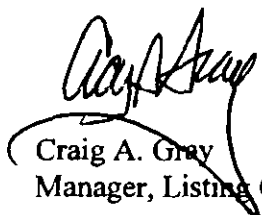
Dear Ms. Smith:

Please be advised that NYSE Regulation, Inc. has received (on November 6, 2008) an application from the above-referenced issuer and has approved the following security for listing on NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange"):

Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc, Medium-Term Notes, Series C, Bear Market Strategic Accelerated Redemption Securities Linked to the SPDR S&P Retail Exchange Traded Fund, due May 4, 2010

The Exchange requests acceleration of registration of this security under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by stamping the enclosed copy with the date received and returning it in the self-addressed envelope. If there are any questions, please call me at (312) 442-7832. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Craig A. Gray
Manager, Listing Compliance

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