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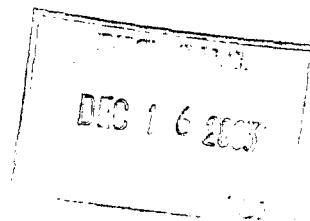
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December 16, 2003



Mr. Brian Johnson  
Branch Chief  
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Room 1004 – STOP/1-4  
450 Fifth Street, NW  
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Corporate Office Properties Trust, Series H Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.01 par value per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on December 16, 2003. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

*Paras Madho*