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## LUMINENT MORTGAGE CAPITAL, INC.

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## **VIA TELECOPY AND EDGAR**

Securities and Exchange Commission Judiciary Plaza 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20549-1004 Attention: Charito Mittleman, Esq.

Re: Luminent Mortgage Capital, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3

(No. 333-121980) (as amended, the Registration Statement)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the undersigned hereby requests that the effective date for the Registration Statement be accelerated so that the Registration Statement may become effective at Noon (Washington D.C. time) on January 26, 2005, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Upon declaration of effectiveness of the Registration Statement, please advise our counsel, Peter T. Healy, Esq. of O Melveny & Myers LLP at (415) 984-8833 to confirm effectiveness or to communicate any questions you might have regarding this letter or the Registration Statement.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

LUMINENT MORTGAGE CAPITAL, INC.

By: /s/ Christopher J. Zyda Christopher J. Zyda Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

cc: Peter T. Healy, Esq. (telecopy 415-984-8701)