

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

October 6, 2017

G. Kelly Martin Interim Chief Executive Officer Novan, Inc. 4105 Hopson Road Morrisville, NC 27560

Re: Novan, Inc.

Registration Statement on Form S-3

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Dear Mr. Martin:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Dorrie Yale at 202-551-8776 with any questions.

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Healthcare & Insurance

cc: Amy Batten