

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

June 6, 2019

Dominique Monnet Chief Executive Officer PDL BioPharma, Inc. 932 Southwood Boulevard Incline Village, Nevada 89451

> Re: PDL BioPharma, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed May 31, 2019 File No. 333-231870

Dear Mr. Monnet:

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 Donald Field at 202-551-3680 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Healthcare & Insurance