

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

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

November 29, 2023

Jess A. Jankowski President and Chief Executive Officer Nanophase Technologies Corporation 1319 Marquette Drive Romeoville, Illinois 60446

> Re: Nanophase Technologies Corporation Registration Statement on Form S-1 Filed November 21, 2023 File No. 333-275696

Dear Jess A. Jankowski:

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 Margaret Schwartz at 202-551-7153 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Industrial Applications and Services

cc: Blake T. Johnson, Esq.