



Avenue Therapeutics, Inc.
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May 1, 2023

Securities and Exchange Commission
Division of Corporation Finance
Office of Life Sciences
100 F Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20549
Attn: Alan Campbell

Re: Avenue Therapeutics, Inc.
Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-271208)
Request for Acceleration of Effective Date

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Avenue Therapeutics, Inc. (the "**Company**") hereby requests that the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**") accelerate the effective date of the above-referenced Registration Statement on Form S-1 (as amended, the "**Registration Statement**") so that the Registration Statement will be declared effective as of 4:30 p.m. Eastern time, on May 3, 2023, or at such other time as the Company or its outside counsel, McGuireWoods LLP, may request via a telephone call to the staff of the Commission.

Once the Registration Statement has been declared effective, please orally confirm that event with David Wolpa of McGuireWoods at (704) 343-2185, or in his absence, Rakesh Gopalan of McGuireWoods LLP at (704) 343-2275.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Avenue Therapeutics, Inc.

/s/ Alexandra MacLean

Alexandra MacLean, Chief Executive Officer
