

**Becton, Dickinson and Company**  
**1 Becton Drive**  
**Franklin Lakes, New Jersey 07417**

June 29, 2017

**VIA EDGAR**

Amanda Ravitz  
Assistant Director Office of Electronics and Machinery  
Division of Corporation Finance  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20549-6010

**Re: Becton, Dickinson and Company**  
**Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-218179)**  
**Acceleration Request**

Dear Ms. Ravitz:

Pursuant to Rule 461 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Becton, Dickinson and Company (the "Company") hereby requests that the Securities and Exchange Commission accelerate the effectiveness of the above-referenced Registration Statement, to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on June 30, 2017 or as soon thereafter as practicable.

The Company requests that it be notified of the effectiveness of the Registration Statement by telephone call to its counsel, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, by calling Paul T. Schnell at (212) 735-2322 or Michael Chitwood at (212) 735-2535, followed by written confirmation to the addresses listed on the cover page of the Registration Statement on Form S-4.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary M. DeFazio  
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Gary M. DeFazio  
Becton, Dickinson and Company  
Senior Vice President,  
Corporate Secretary and Associate General Counsel

cc: Paul T. Schnell, Esq. (*via Email*)  
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

Michael Chitwood, Esq. (*via Email*)  
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