November 16, 2021

William H. Collier President and Chief Executive Officer Arbutus Biopharma Corporation 701 Veterans Circle Warminster, Pennsylvania 18974

Re: Arbutus Biopharma

Registration

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Statement on Form S-3 2021

Corporation

File No. 333-260782

Please contact Michael

Stephen M. Nicolai,

Dear Mr. Collier:

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.

Davis at 202-551-4385 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance

Office of Life Sciences

Esq.

cc: