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February 4, 2019

Securities and Exchange Commission  
Division of Corporation Finance  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: **Alector, Inc.**  
**Registration Statement on Form S-1**  
**Registration File No. 333-229152**

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Act**”), we, as representatives of the several underwriters, hereby join in the request of Alector, Inc. (the “**Company**”) for acceleration of the effective date of the above-named Registration Statement so that it becomes effective at 4:00 PM, Eastern Time, on February 6, 2019, or as soon thereafter as practicable, or at such other time as the Company or its outside counsel, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, P.C., request by telephone that such Registration Statement be declared effective.

Pursuant to Rule 460 under the Act, we, as representatives of the several underwriters, wish to advise you that we have effected the following distribution of the Company’s preliminary prospectus dated January 29, 2019:

- i. Dates of distribution: January 29, 2019 through the date hereof

- ii. Number of prospective underwriters to which the preliminary prospectus was furnished: 4
- iii. Number of preliminary prospectuses furnished to investors: approximately 1726
- iv. Number of preliminary prospectuses distributed to others, including the Company, the Company's counsel, independent accountants, and underwriters' counsel: approximately 115

We, the undersigned, as representatives of the several underwriters, have complied and will comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Very truly yours,

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC  
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith  
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Barclays Capital Inc.

Acting severally on behalf of themselves and the several  
Underwriters

By: Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC

By: /s/ Chris Rigoli  
Name: Chris Rigoli  
Title: Vice President

By: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith  
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By: /s/ Charles Newton  
Name: Charles Newton  
Title: Managing Director

By: Cowen and Company, LLC

By: /s/ Tanya Joseph  
Name: Tanya Joseph  
Title: Managing Director

By: Barclays Capital Inc.

By: /s/ Jason Haas  
Name: Jason Haas  
Title: Managing Director

*[Signature Page to Underwriters' Acceleration Request]*