UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION June 26, 2020

ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.

File No. 0-30929 - CF#36520

Akebia Therapeutics, Inc. (successor to Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.) submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting an extension of a previous grant of confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 8-K filed on July 20, 2018.

Based on representations by Akebia Therapeutics, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit will not be released to the public for the time period specified:

Exhibit 10.1 through July 18, 2030

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

Patti J. Dennis Chief, Office of Disclosure Support