

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

March 25, 2020

Rohan Palekar Chief Executive Officer 89bio, Inc. 142 Sansome Street 2nd Floor San Francisco, CA 94104

Re: 89bio, Inc.

Draft Registration Statement on Form S-1 Submitted March 19, 2020 CIK No. 0001785173

Dear Mr. Palekar:

This is to advise you that we do not intend to review your registration statement.

We request that you publicly file your registration statement no later than 48 hours prior to the requested effective date and time. 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.

Please contact Christine Westbrook at 202-551-5019 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Life Sciences

cc: Ryan A. Murr, Esq.