

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

August 10, 2020

Martin McNulty, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer
Starboard Value Acquisition Corp.
777 Third Avenue, 18th Floor
New York, New York 10017

Re: Starboard Value Acquisition Corp.
Amendment No. 1 to
Draft Registration Statement on Form S-1
Submitted July 27, 2020
CIK 0001794905

Dear Mr. McNulty:

We have reviewed your amended draft registration statement and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by providing the requested information and either submitting an amended draft registration statement or publicly filing your registration statement on EDGAR. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing the information you provide in response to these comments and your amended draft registration statement or filed registration statement, we may have additional comments.

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General

1. We note your disclosure that the distributable redeemable warrants foregone by the redeeming public stockholders will be issued on a pro rata basis to the holders of your public shares that did not redeem and the forward purchasers. Additionally, we note your disclosure that the distributable redeemable warrants will be issued to the forward purchasers as a private placement. Since it appears that the registration statement includes all the distributable redeemable warrants, including those that would ultimately be issued to the forward purchasers, please explain to us in detail how you intend to conduct the issuance of the distributable redeemable warrants to the forward purchasers as a private

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placement.

- 2. We note your disclosure that the forward purchase shares are identical to the shares of Class A common stock, except for transfer restrictions. Please clarify that the forward purchase shares also include a contingent right to receive at least one-sixth of one redeemable warrant following the initial business combination or advise.
- 3. Please describe the impact that the forward purchasers' participation in the distributable redeemable warrants may have on your ownership structure, including the effect on public holders. Please provide illustrative examples of the forward purchasers' ownership based on different redemption percentages up to the maximum backstop commitment.

You may contact Jeffrey Lewis at 202-551-6216 or Wilson Lee at 202-551-3468 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact Jonathan Burr at 202-551-5833 or Erin E. Martin at 202-551-3391 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Real Estate & Construction