

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

January 11, 2021

Nicolas Petruska Chief Financial Officer Hennessy Capital Investment Corp. V 3415 N. Pines Way, Suite 204 Wilson, Wyoming 83014

Re: Hennessy Capital Investment Corp. V
Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1
Filed January 5, 2021
File No. 333-251609

Dear Mr. Petruska:

We have reviewed your 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 amending your registration statement and providing the requested information. 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 any amendment to your registration statement and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

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1. We note that the anchor investor will purchase founder shares from the sponsor. Please explain the impact this will have on the amount of votes that will be required from public shareholders to approve the business combination.

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.

Refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. Please allow adequate

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time for us to review any amendment prior to the requested effective date of the registration statement.

You may contact Ernest Greene, Staff Accountant at (202) 551-3733 or John Cash, Accounting Branch Chief at (202) 551-3768 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact Sherry Haywood, Staff Attorney at (202) 551-3345 or Jay Ingram, Legal Branch Chief at (202) 551-3397 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Manufacturing