

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

May 14, 2020

Samuel Gesten, Esq. Chief Legal Officer STAAR Surgical Company 25651 Atlantic Ocean Drive Lake Forest, California 92630

> Re: STAAR Surgical Company Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed May 6, 2020 File No. 333-238043

Dear Mr. Gesten:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

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 Chris Edwards at (202) 551-6761 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Life Sciences

cc: Charles Kaufman, Esq.