

Mail Stop 6010

February 28, 2007

Mr. Stephen M. Elliston
President and Chief Executive Officer
Advanced Viral Research Corp.
200 Corporate Boulevard South
Yonkers, New York 10701

**Re: Advanced Viral Research Corp.
Registration Statement on Form S-1
Filed February 12, 2007
File No. 333-140634**

Dear Mr. Elliston:

We have limited our review of your filing to those issues we have addressed in our comments. Where indicated, we think you should revise your document in response to these comments. If you disagree, we will consider your explanation as to why our comment is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure. After reviewing this information, we may raise additional comments. In addition, please note that any outstanding issues with respect to your pending confidential treatment request must be resolved prior to requesting acceleration of the registration statement.

Please understand that the purpose of our review process is to assist you in your compliance with the applicable disclosure requirements and to enhance the overall disclosure in your filing. We look forward to working with you in these respects. We welcome any questions you may have about our comments or any other aspect of our review. Feel free to call us at the telephone numbers listed at the end of this letter.

Selling Stockholders
Cornell Capital Partners, L.P., page 12

1. Each of our comments under this subheading requests that you revise your filing to provide additional disclosure about the selling security holders or the transaction or transactions in which they purchased the registrant's securities. We will consider your supplemental explanation if you believe a comment is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation.
2. Please revise the filing to include the closing date for the purchase of the \$500,000 principal amount of debentures.
3. If there are provisions in the convertible debenture that could result in a change in the price per share upon the occurrence of certain events, please provide additional tabular disclosure as appropriate. For example, if the conversion price per share is fixed unless and until the market price falls below a stated price, at which point the conversion price per share drops to a lower price, please provide additional disclosure. In this instance, since the price may be equal to 95% of the lowest volume weighted average price, in view of the market for your stock and the number of shares covered by the registration statement, it appears that calculations based upon a decline in the weighted average stock price should also be considered.
4. Please refer to the tabular presentation at the bottom of page 14 and tell us why you have not included the commitment, structuring and due diligence fees in the calculation of possible profit to Cornell. We may have additional comments.

Prior transactions between the issuer and the selling shareholders

5. Please provide tabular disclosure of all prior securities transactions between the issuer (or any of its predecessors) and the selling shareholders, any affiliates of the selling shareholders, or any person with whom any selling shareholder has a contractual relationship regarding the transaction (or any predecessors of those persons), with the table including the following information disclosed separately for each transaction:
 - the date of the transaction;
 - the number of shares of the class of securities subject to the transaction that were outstanding prior to the transaction;
 - the number of shares of the class of securities subject to the transaction that were outstanding prior to the transaction and held by persons other than the selling shareholders, affiliates of the company, or affiliates of the selling shareholders;
 - the number of shares of the class of securities subject to the transaction that were issued or issuable in connection with the transaction;

- the percentage of total issued and outstanding securities that were issued or issuable in the transaction (assuming full issuance), with the percentage calculated by taking the number of shares issued and outstanding prior to the applicable transaction and held by persons other than the selling shareholders, affiliates of the company, or affiliates of the selling shareholders, and dividing that number by the number of shares issued or issuable in connection with the applicable transaction;
- the market price per share of the class of securities subject to the transaction immediately prior to the transaction (reverse split adjusted, if necessary); and
- the current market price per share of the class of securities subject to the transaction (reverse split adjusted, if necessary).

Comparison of registered shares to outstanding shares

6. Please provide tabular disclosure comparing:

- the number of shares outstanding prior to the convertible note transaction that are held by persons other than the selling shareholders, affiliates of the company, and affiliates of the selling shareholders;
- the number of shares registered for resale by the selling shareholders or affiliates of the selling shareholders in prior registration statements;
- the number of shares registered for resale by the selling shareholders or affiliates of the selling shareholders that continue to be held by the selling shareholders or affiliates of the selling shareholders;
- the number of shares that have been sold in registered resale transactions by the selling shareholders or affiliates of the selling shareholders; and
- the number of shares registered for resale on behalf of the selling shareholders or affiliates of the selling shareholders in the current transaction.

In this analysis, the calculation of the number of outstanding shares should not include any securities underlying any outstanding convertible securities, options, or warrants.

The issuer's intention and ability to make all note payments and the presence or absence of short selling by the selling shareholders

7. Please provide the following information:

- whether the issuer has the intention, and a reasonable basis to believe that it will have the financial ability, to make all payments on the overlying securities; and
- whether – based on information obtained from the selling shareholders – any of the selling shareholders have an existing short position in the company's common stock and, if any of the selling shareholders have an existing short position in the company's stock, the following additional information:
 - the date on which each such selling shareholder entered into that short position; and
 - the relationship of the date on which each such selling shareholder entered into that short position to the date of the announcement of the convertible note transaction and the filing of the registration statement (e.g., before or after the announcement of the convertible note transaction, before the filing or after the filing of the registration statement, etc.).

Relationships between the issuer and selling shareholders

8. Please provide:

- a materially complete description of the relationships and arrangements that have existed in the past three years or are to be performed in the future between the issuer (or any of its predecessors) and the selling shareholders, any affiliates of the selling shareholders, or any person with whom any selling shareholder has a contractual relationship regarding the transaction (or any predecessors of those persons) – the information provided should include, in reasonable detail, a complete description of the rights and obligations of the parties in connection with the sale of the convertible notes; and
- copies of all agreements between the issuer (or any of its predecessors) and the selling shareholders, any affiliates of the selling shareholders, or any person with whom any selling shareholder has a contractual relationship regarding the transaction (or any predecessors of those persons) in connection with the sale of the convertible notes.

If it is your view that such a description of the relationships and arrangements between and among those parties already is presented in the prospectus and that all agreements

between and/or among those parties are included as exhibits to the registration statement, please provide us with confirmation of your view in this regard.

The method by which the number of registered shares was determined

9. Please provide a description of the method by which the company determined the number of shares it seeks to register in connection with this registration statement. In this regard, please ensure that the number of shares registered in the fee table is consistent with the shares listed in the “Selling Security Holders” section of the prospectus.

Financial Statements

10. Please update the financial statements as requested by Item 3-12(b) of Regulation S-X.

Signatures

11. The registration statement should also be signed by the registrant’s principal financial officer and by its controller or principal accounting officer. Any person who occupies more than one of the specified positions required to sign the registration statement should indicate each capacity in which the registration statement is signed. See instructions 1 and 2 to Signatures to Form S-1.

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As appropriate, please amend your registration statement in response to these comments. You may wish to provide us with marked copies of the amendment to expedite our review. Please furnish a cover letter with your amendment that keys your responses to our comments and provides any requested information. Detailed cover letters greatly facilitate our review. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your amendment and responses to our comments.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes all information required under the Securities Act of 1933 and that they have provided all information investors require for an informed investment decision. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company’s disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

Notwithstanding our comments, in the event the company requests acceleration of the effective date of the pending registration statement, it should furnish a letter, at the time of such request, acknowledging that:

- should the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, declare the filing effective, it does not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing;

- the action of the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, in declaring the filing effective, does not relieve the company from its full responsibility for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments and the declaration of effectiveness as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

In addition, please be advised that the Division of Enforcement has access to all information you provide to the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance in connection with our review of your filing or in response to our comments on your filing.

We will consider a written request for acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement as confirmation of the fact that those requesting acceleration are aware of their respective responsibilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as they relate to the proposed public offering of the securities specified in the above registration statement. We will act on the request and, pursuant to delegated authority, grant acceleration of the effective date.

We direct your attention to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requesting acceleration of a registration statement. Please allow adequate time after the filing of any amendment for further review before submitting a request for acceleration. Please provide this request at least two business days in advance of the requested effective date.

If you have any questions, please call John L. Krug, Senior Counsel, at (202) 551-3862, Michael Reedich, Special Counsel, at (202) 551-3612, or me at (202) 551-3715.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Riedler
Assistant Director

cc: Charles J. Rennert, Esq.