

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

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

December 17, 2024

Allan Camaisa Chief Executive Officer Calidi Biotherapeutics, Inc. 4475 Executive Drive, Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92121

> Re: Calidi Biotherapeutics, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-1 Filed December 12, 2024 File No. 333-283741

Dear Allan Camaisa:

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 Tim Buchmiller at 202-551-3635 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Life Sciences

cc: Jay K. Yamamoto, Esq.