

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

May 30, 2025

Michael F. Petrie Chief Executive Officer Merchants Bancorp 410 Monon Blvd. Carmel, IN 46032

> Re: Merchants Bancorp Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed May 23, 2025 File No. 333-287555

Dear Michael F. Petrie:

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 Robert Arzonetti at 202-551-8819 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Finance

cc: Michael Messaglia, Esq.