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May 20, 2024

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Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549-3561

Attention: Aisha Adegbuyi

Re: Bowhead Specialty Holdings Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-1 File No. 333-278653

Acceleration Request Requested Date: May 22, 2024

Requested Time: 4:30 P.M. Eastern Time

Dear Ms. Adegbuyi:

In accordance with Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), we, as representatives of the several underwriters, hereby join in the request of Bowhead Specialty Holdings Inc. (the "Company") for acceleration of the effective date of the above-referenced Registration Statement, requesting effectiveness as of 4:30 P.M., Eastern Time, on May 22, 2024, or as soon thereafter as practicable or at such later time as the Company or its outside counsel, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, may request via telephone call to the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Pursuant to Rule 460 under the Act, please be advised that we, as representatives of the several underwriters, will take reasonable steps to secure adequate distribution of the preliminary prospectus, to underwriters, dealers, institutions and others, prior to the requested effective time of the Registration Statement.

We, the undersigned, as representatives of the several underwriters, have complied and will comply, and we have been informed by the participating underwriters that they have complied and will comply, with the requirements of Rule 15c2-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

[Signature Page Follows]

Very truly yours,

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

By: /s/ Apoorva Ramesh

Name: Apoorva Ramesh Title: Vice President

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By: /s/ Jyri Wilska

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Title: Managing Director

KEEFE, BRUYETTE & WOODS, INC.

By: /s/ Seth Bair

Name: Seth Bair

Title: Managing Director

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