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

Attention: Tonya K. Aldave
Susan Block
Rolf Sundwall
Mark Brunhofer

**Re: Skyward Specialty Insurance Group, Inc.
Registration Statement on Form S-1
File No. 333-268326**

Acceleration Request

Requested Date: Thursday, January 12, 2023

Requested Time: 4:00 P.M. Eastern Time

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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 Skyward Specialty Insurance Group, Inc. (the “**Company**”) for acceleration of the effective date of the above-referenced Registration Statement, requesting effectiveness as of 4:00 P.M., Eastern Time, on January 12, 2023, or as soon thereafter as practicable or at such later time as the Company or its outside counsel, DLA Piper LLP (US), 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, we, as representatives of the several underwriters, wish to advise you that there will be distributed to each underwriter or dealer, who is reasonably anticipated to participate in the distribution of the securities, as many copies of the proposed form of preliminary prospectus as appears to be reasonable to secure adequate distribution of the preliminary prospectus.

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.

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Very truly yours,

BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC.

By: /s/ Warren Fixmer

Authorized Signatory

KEEFE, BRUYETTE & WOODS, INC.

By: /s/ Seth A. Blair

Authorized Signatory

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