October 19, 2021

Craig Shesky Chief Financial Officer TMC the metals Co Inc. 595 Howe Street, 10th Floor Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 2T5

Inc.

Statement on Form S-1

2021

Re: TMC the metals Co

Registration

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Dear Mr. Shesky:

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 Kevin

Dougherty at (202) 551-3271 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance

Office of Energy & Transportation

cc: Jeffrey Schultz