

**Brighthouse Financial, Inc.**  
**11225 North Community House Road**  
**Charlotte, North Carolina 28277**

March 26, 2018

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission  
Division of Corporation Finance  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20549-7010

**Registration Statement on Form S-4**  
**of Brighthouse Financial, Inc.**  
**File No. 333-223806**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the provisions of Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Brighthouse Financial, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), hereby respectfully requests that the effective date of the above-referenced Registration Statement be accelerated so as to permit it to become effective at 10:00 A.M. (EDT) on March 28, 2018, or as soon as practicable thereafter. Once the Registration Statement has been declared effective, please orally confirm that event with our counsel, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, by calling Peter J. Loughran at (212) 909-6375.

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Very truly yours,

Brighthouse Financial, Inc.

By: /s/ Jin Chang

Name: Jin Chang

Title: Treasurer

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