

WILLDAN GROUP, INC.
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September 12, 2017

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U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
Division of Corporation Finance
100 F Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20549
Attn: Jay Ingram

**Re: Request for Effectiveness for Willdan Group, Inc.
Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-217356)**

Dear Mr. Ingram:

Pursuant to Rule 461 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Willdan Group, Inc. (the "Registrant") hereby respectfully requests that the effectiveness of the above-referenced Registration Statement be accelerated to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time, on September 14, 2017, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me at (800) 424-9144.

Very truly yours,

Willdan Group, Inc.

By: /s/ Stacy B. McLaughlin
Name: Stacy B. McLaughlin
Title: Chief Financial Officer and Vice President
