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May 11, 2011

Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549

RE: BioTime, Inc.

Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 Registration Statement on Form S-3 File No. 333-167822

Ladies/Gentlemen:

The undersigned registrant hereby withdraws its request, dated May 5, 2011, for the acceleration of the effective date of its Post-Effective Amendment No.1 to Registration Statement on Form S-3, as amended, File No. 333-167822 pending the resolution of the registrant's application for confidential treatment.

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert W. Peabody Senior Vice President Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer