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Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance Judiciary Plaza 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: QIAGEN N.V.

Registration Statement on Form F-3 (Registration No. 333-91474)

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 477 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), QIAGEN N.V. (the "Registrant") hereby respectfully requests that the Securities and Exchange Commission consent to the withdrawal of its Registration Statement on Form F-3 (Registration No. 333-91474), together with all exhibits and amendments thereto (the "Registration Statement"). The Registrant is requesting such withdrawal because its no longer contractually obligated to cause such Registration Statement to become effective.

Please address any questions you may have to Alex Seldin at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., One Financial Center, Boston, Massachusetts 02111, telephone number (617) 542-6000, facsimile number (617) 542-2241.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

QIAGEN N.V.

By: /s/ Peer M. Schatz

Chief Financial Officer

cc: Jeffrey P. Riedler
Securities and Exchange Commission
Alex Seldin

Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C.