

February 7, 2019

Gil M. Labrucherie
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Nektar Therapeutics
455 Mission Bay Boulevard South
San Francisco, CA 94158

Re: Nektar Therapeutics
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017
Filed March 1, 2018
File No. 000-24006

Dear Mr. Labrucherie:

We have completed our review of your filing. 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.

Sincerely,

Division of

Office of Healthcare

Corporation Finance
& Insurance