

**Hennessy Capital Acquisition Corp. IV**  
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Wilson, Wyoming 83014

February 27, 2019

**VIA EDGAR**

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
Attention: Dorrie Yale

**Re: Hennessy Capital Acquisition Corp. IV  
Registration Statement on Form S-1  
Filed February 11, 2019, as amended  
File No. 333- 229608**

Dear Ms. Yale:

Pursuant to Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Hennessy Capital Acquisition Corp. IV hereby requests acceleration of effectiveness of the above referenced Registration Statement so that it will become effective at 4:00 p.m. ET on Thursday, February 28, 2019, or as soon as thereafter practicable.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Daniel J. Hennessy

Daniel J. Hennessy  
President and Chief Executive Officer

cc: Ellenoff Grossman & Schole LLP  
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP