

**Clene Inc.**  
**6550 South Millrock Drive, Suite G50**  
**Salt Lake City, Utah 84121**

**VIA EDGAR**

April 16, 2021

Securities and Exchange Commission  
Division of Corporation Finance  
Office of Energy & Transportation  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
Attention: Abby Adams / Celeste Murphy

**Re: Clene Inc.**  
**Registration Statement on Form S-1**  
**File No. 333-253173**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Clene Inc. (the "Company") hereby requests acceleration of the effective date of the above referenced Registration Statement to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on April 19, 2021, or as soon thereafter as practicable, or at such other time as the Company or its outside counsel, Kirkland & Ellis, request by telephone that such Registration Statement be declared effective.

Please contact Ben James, of Kirkland & Ellis, special counsel to the Company, by email at [ben.james@kirkland.com](mailto:ben.james@kirkland.com) or by phone at +852 3761 3412, as soon as the Registration Statement has been declared effective, or if you have any other questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert Etherington

Name: Robert Etherington

Title: President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

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