## Merus closing in on cancer

## VIA EDGAR

Mr. Frank Wyman Division of Corporation Finance Office of Healthcare & Insurance United States Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Mail Stop 4720 Washington, D.C. 20549

> Re: Merus N.V. Form 20-F for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017 Filed April 30, 2018 Form 6-K for the Six-Month Period Ended June 30, 2018 Filed August 10, 2018 File No. 001-37773

Dear Mr. Wyman:

We are transmitting this letter to acknowledge receipt of comments by Merus N.V., a Dutch public company with limited liability (the "*Company*"), from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission by letter dated December 20, 2018 with respect to the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed on April 30, 2018 and the Company's Report on Form 6-K filed on August 10, 2018 (the "*Comments*"), and to hereby request an extension of the period of time in which the Company has to respond to the Comments. The Company expects to respond to the Comments on or before January 18, 2019 and requests an extension to such date.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 917-723-4774 with any questions or comments you may have regarding this request.

Sincerely,

/s/ Peter B. Silverman

Peter B. Silverman General Counsel

cc: Ton Logtenberg, Chief Executive Officer, Merus N.V. Peter N. Handrinos, Latham & Watkins LLP

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Merus is a Nasdaq-listed biotechnology company based in the Netherlands and in the US, focusing on the development of full length IgG human bispecific antibodies for the treatment of cancer patients. January 7, 2019