BLACKBAUD, INC.

2000 Daniel Island Drive Charleston, South Carolina 29492

February 22, 2005

Via EDGAR Delivery

Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549 Attention: Loryn Zerner, Esq., Mail Stop 4-6

Re: Acceleration Request

Blackbaud, Inc. Registration on Form S-1

File No. 333-122122

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Blackbaud, Inc., a Delaware corporation, as the registrant of the above-captioned registration statement, hereby respectfully requests that the Securities and Exchange Commission take appropriate action to make the registration statement effective at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Thursday, February 24, 2005, or as soon thereafter as practicable. Please advise our corporate counsel, Donald R. Reynolds at (919) 781-4000, of any questions.

Very truly yours,

BLACKBAUD, INC.

By: /s/ Timothy V. Williams

Timothy V. Williams

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer