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Securities and Exchange Commission

Division of Corporation Finance

450 Fifth Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: CELANESE CORPORATION

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CONVERTIBLE PERPETUAL PREFERRED STOCK

REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-120187

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Rule 460 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Act), please be advised that the Preliminary Prospectus issued January 5, 2005 relating to the Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, were distributed during the period January 6, 2005 through 5:00 p.m., January 18, 2005 as follows:

Preliminary Prospectus dated January 5, 2005 Common Stock:

34,410 copies to prospective Underwriters, institutional investors, dealers and others

Preliminary Prospectus dated January 5, 2005 Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock:

12,964 copies to prospective Underwriters, institutional investors, dealers and others

The undersigned, as representatives of the several underwriters, have and will, and each underwriter and dealer has advised the undersigned that it has and will, comply with SEC release No. 33-4968 and Rule 15c2-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

In accordance with Rule 461 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Act, we hereby join in the request of Celanese Corporation for acceleration of the effective date of the above-named registration statement so that it becomes effective by 3:00 PM EST on Wednesday, January 19, 2005, or as soon as possible thereafter.

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Very truly yours,

Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated

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Stephens Inc.

as Representatives of the Underwriters of the Common Stock

By: MORGAN STANLEY & CO.

INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Kenneth G. Pott

Name: Kenneth G. Pott Title: Managing Director

By: LEHMAN BROTHERS INC.

By: /s/ Arlene Salmonson

Name: Arlene Salmonson Title: Vice President

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By: /s/ Kenneth G. Pott

Name: Kenneth G. Pott Title: Managing Director