



**BLACKBAUD, INC.**  
2000 Daniel Island Drive  
Charleston, South Carolina 29492

**March 3, 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 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Thursday, March 3, 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