February 22, 2023

John H. Watt, Jr.
President and Chief Executive Officer
NBT BANCORP INC
52 South Broad Street
Norwich, New York 13815

Re: NBT BANCORP INC Registration

Statement on Form S-4

Filed February 13,

2023

File No. 333-269742

Dear John H. Watt, Jr.:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

 $\,$ Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you

that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their $\,$

disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact

Madeleine Mateo at 202-551-3465 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance

Office of Finance

cc: Les Reese