UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION February 23, 2009

ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Harvard Bioscience, Inc.

File No. 1-33957 - CF#22473

Harvard Bioscience, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibit to a Form 10-Q filed on August 11, 2008.

Based on representations by Harvard Bioscience, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit will not be released to the public for the time period specified:

Exhibit 10.1 through December 31, 2012

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

Russell Mancuso Branch Chief