February 4, 2013

VIA EDGAR

Mary A. Cole, Senior Counsel Sheila Stout, Senior Staff Accountant Division of Investment Management U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20549

RE: KCAP Financial, Inc. - Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-185559)

Dear Ms. Cole and Ms. Stout:

In accordance with Rule 461 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, KCAP Financial, Inc. hereby respectfully requests that the above-captioned registration statement, including all amendments thereto, be ordered effective on February 4, 2013, at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practicable.

KCAP Financial, Inc.

By: /s/ Dayl W. Pearson

Dayl W. Pearson President and Chief Executive Officer