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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

May 21, 2009

VIA U.S. MAIL AND FAX (617) 737-0924

Mr. Richard E. Davis Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer NMT Medical, Inc. 27 Wormwood Street Boston, Massachusetts 02210

> Re: NMT Medical, Inc. Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 Filed March 13, 2009 File No. 000-21001

Dear Mr. Davis:

We have reviewed your filings and have the following comments. We have limited our review to only your financial statements and related disclosures and do not intend to expand our review to other portions of your documents. Where indicated, we think you should revise your documents in response to these comments. If you disagree, we will consider your explanation as to why our comment is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure. After reviewing this information, we may raise additional comments.

Please understand that the purpose of our review process is to assist you in your compliance with the applicable disclosure requirements and to enhance the overall disclosure in your filing. We look forward to working with you in these respects. We welcome any questions you may have about our comments or any other aspect of our review. Feel free to call us at the telephone numbers listed at the end of this letter.

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Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, page A-8

(c) Cash, Cash Equivalents and Marketable Securities, page A-9

- 1. We note from your table on page A-9 that you determined the fair value of approximately \$10.7 million, or 84%, of your marketable securities based upon level 2 inputs. Please tell us more about the inputs used, including how you obtain these inputs, what they represent and how you are able to corroborate these prices. For example, tell us and revise future filings to disclose if your level 2 assets were valued using models, other pricing methodologies or were directly or indirectly observable through correlation with market data.
- 2. In this regard, given the significance of your investments, please revise your Critical Accounting Policies in future filings to discuss significant assumptions and estimates made by management in determining the fair value of your investments.

As appropriate, please amend your filing and respond to these comments within 10 business days or tell us when you will provide us with a response. Please furnish a cover letter with your amendment that keys your responses to our comments and provides any requested information. Detailed cover letters greatly facilitate our review. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your amendments responses to our comments.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes all information required under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that they have provided all information investors require for an informed investment decision. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In connection with responding to our comments, please provide, in writing, a statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

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In addition, please be advised that the Division of Enforcement has access to all information you provide to the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance in our review of your filing or in response to our comments on your filing.

You may contact Julie Sherman, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3640 or me at (202) 551-3554 if you have any questions regarding these comments. In this regard, do not hesitate to contact Martin James, Senior Assistant Chief Accountant, at (202) 551-3671.

Sincerely,

Angela Crane Accounting Branch Chief