

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

June 17, 2010

Surya N. Mohapatra, Ph.D. President and Chief Executive Officer Quest Diagnostics Incorporated 3 Giralda Farms Madison, New Jersey 07940

Re: Quest Diagnostics Incorporated

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009

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Dear Mr. Mohapatra:

We have completed our review of your filing and do not have any further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

John Reynolds Assistant Director