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Mail Stop 6010

January 12, 2006

Mr. William E. Hitselberger  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
PMA Capital Corporation  
380 Sentry Parkway  
Blue Bell, PA 19422-2357

**Re: PMA Capital Corporation  
Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004  
Forms 10-Q for the periods ended March 31, 2005 and June 30, 2005  
File No. 001-31706**

Dear Mr. Hitselberger:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Jim Atkinson  
Accounting Branch Chief