

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

May 27, 2010

Robert M. Davis Chief Financial Officer Baxter International, Inc. One Baxter Parkway Deerfield, Illinois 60015

**Re:** Baxter International, Inc.

Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009

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Dear Mr. Davis:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and do not, at this time, have any further comments.

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Vaughn Accounting Branch Chief