

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

December 12, 2012

Via E-mail
Jeffrey J. Carfora
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation
500 Hills Drive, Suite 300
Bedminster, NJ 07921

Re: Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

Filed March 15, 2012 File No. 001-16197

Dear Mr. Carfora:

We have completed our review of your filings. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filings 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. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filings to be certain that the filings include the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sharon Blume

Sharon Blume Assistant Chief Accountant