Mail Stop 4561

May 14, 2009

Via Facsimile and U.S. Mail

Arun Chandra Chief Executive Officer SumTotal Systems, Inc. 1808 North Shoreline Blvd. Mountain View, CA 94043

Re: SumTotal Systems, Inc. Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008 Filed March 11, 2009 File No. 000-50640

Dear Mr. Chandra:

We have reviewed the above-referenced filing and have the following comments. If indicated, we think you should revise your document 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 supplemental 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.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

General

1. We note the disclosure on pages 9, 13, 36, 45, and elsewhere in your Form 10-K that you have customers in Latin America, the Middle East, and Africa, regions that generally understood to include Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Syria. In addition, we note your press release dated September 27, 2004, stating that you signed HUMANSOFT FZ LLC as

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your reseller partner covering the Middle East and North Africa. We are also aware of a news report that HUMANSOFT markets include Sudan. Finally, it appears from several dropdown menus on your website that nationals of Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Syria can contact your representatives, subscribe to receive e-mail communications from you, and submit to you requests for proposals or information, and that nationals of Sudan and Syria can register to become your resellers.

Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Syria are identified by the State Department as state sponsors of terrorism, and are subject to U.S. economic sanctions and export controls. We note that your Form 10-K does not include disclosure regarding contacts with Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Syria. Please describe to us the nature and extent of any past, current, and anticipated contacts with the referenced countries, whether through distributors, resellers, or other direct or indirect arrangements. Your response should describe any software, technology, and services you have provided to those countries, and any agreements, commercial arrangements, or other contacts you have had with the governments of those countries or entities controlled by those governments.

2. Please discuss the materiality of any contacts with Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Syria described in response to the foregoing comment, and whether those contacts constitute a material investment risk for your security holders. You should address materiality in quantitative terms, including the approximate dollar amounts of any associated revenues, assets, and liabilities for the last three fiscal years and any subsequent period. Also, address materiality in terms of qualitative factors that a reasonable investor would deem important in making an investment decision, including the potential impact of corporate activities upon a company's reputation and share value. As you may be aware, various state and municipal governments, universities, and other investors have proposed or adopted divestment or similar initiatives regarding investment in companies that do business with U.S.-designated state sponsors of terrorism. Your materiality analysis should address the potential impact of the investor sentiment evidenced by such actions directed toward companies that have operations associated with Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Syria.

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Please respond to these comments within 10 business days or tell us when you will provide us with a response. Please submit all correspondence and supplemental materials on EDGAR as required by Rule 101 of Regulation S-T. If you amend your filing, you may wish to provide us with marked copies of any amendment to expedite our review. Please furnish a cover letter that keys your response 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 any amendment and your response 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 Arun Chandra SumTotal Systems, Inc. May 14, 2009 Page 3

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.

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 Michael F. Johnson, Staff Attorney, at (202) 551-3477, with any questions. If you need further assistance, you may contact me at (202) 551-3735.

Sincerely,

Barbara C. Jacobs Assistant Director

cc: <u>Via Facsimile (650) 493-6811</u> Katharine A. Martin, Esq. Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati