

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

August 29, 2012

Via E-Mail
Mr. Lynn A. Peterson
Kodiak Oil and Gas Corp.
President and Chief Executive Officer
1625 Broadway, Suite 250
Denver, CO 80202

Re: Kodiak Oil and Gas Corp.

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

Filed February 28, 2012

File No. 1-32920

Dear Mr. Peterson:

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/ Karl Hiller

Karl Hiller Branch Chief