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DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE MAIL STOP 4628

August 24, 2009

Mr. Darryl F. Jones Chief Financial Officer Corriente Resources Inc. 520-800 West Pender Street Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 2V6

> Re: Corriente Resources Inc. Form 40-F for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008 Filed March 31, 2009 File No. 001-32748

Dear Mr. Jones.

We have completed our review of your Form 40-F and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

H. Roger Schwall Assistant Director