



DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

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

August 2, 2023

Bala Padmakumar  
Chief Executive Officer  
Monterey Capital Acquisition Corporation  
419 Webster Street  
Monterey, California 93940

**Re: Monterey Capital Acquisition Corporation  
Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2022  
Filed April 20, 2023  
File No. 001-41389**

Dear Bala Padmakumar:

We have reviewed your filing and have the following comment. In our comment, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this comment within ten business days by providing the requested information or advise us as soon as possible when you will respond. If you do not believe our comment applies to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing your response to the comment, we may have additional comments.

Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2022

General

1. With a view toward disclosure, please tell us whether your sponsor is, is controlled by, or has substantial ties with a non-U.S. person. If so, please revise your disclosure in all future periodic filings to include disclosure that addresses how this fact could impact your ability to complete your initial business combination. For instance, discuss the risk to investors that you may not be able to complete an initial business combination with a U.S. target company should the transaction be subject to review by a U.S. government entity, such as the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), or ultimately prohibited. Disclose that as a result, the pool of potential targets with which you could complete an initial business combination may be limited. Further, disclose that the time necessary for government review of the transaction or a decision to prohibit the transaction could prevent you from completing an initial business combination and require you to liquidate. Disclose the consequences of liquidation to investors, such as the losses of the investment opportunity in a target company, any price appreciation in the combined

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company, and the warrants, which would expire worthless. Please include an example of your intended disclosure in your response and confirm that you will provide these disclosures in your future periodic filings.

We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

You may contact Myra Moosariparambil at (202) 551-3796 or Kimberly Calder at (202) 551-3701 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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