



DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-4631

June 21, 2012

Via Facsimile

Mr. Richard F. Hobbs  
Chief Financial Officer  
Sensient Technologies Corporation  
777 East Wisconsin Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

**Re: Sensient Technologies Corporation  
Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011  
Filed February 27, 2012  
Form 10-Q for Fiscal Quarter Ended March 31, 2012  
Filed May 8, 2012  
File No. 1-07626**

Dear Mr. Hobbs:

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/ W. John Cash

W. John Cash  
Branch Chief