

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

May 3, 2010

Mr. Walter W. Bettinger II President and Chief Executive Officer The Charles Schwab Corporation 120 Kearny Street San Francisco, CA 94108

Re: The Charles Schwab Corporation

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009

File No. 001-09700

Dear Mr. Bettinger:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and do not, at this time, have any further comments.

You may contact Yolanda Crittendon, Staff Accountant at (202) 551-3472 or me at (202) 551-3498 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

Linda VanDoorn Senior Assistant Chief Accountant