Via Fax & U.S. Mail

Mr. Jerry W. Nix Chief Financial Officer 2999 Circle 75 Parkway Atlanta, Georgia 30339

Re: Genuine Parts Company

Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008

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Dear Mr. Nix:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Linda Cvrkel Branch Chief

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