

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

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

May 8, 2014

<u>Via E-mail</u> Carol B. Yancey Chief Financial Officer Genuine Parts Company 2999 Circle 75 Parkway Atlanta, Georgia 30339

> Re: Genuine Parts Company Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2013 Filed February 27, 2014 File No. 001-05690

Dear Ms. Yancey:

We have completed our review of your filing. 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 filing 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 filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Linda Cvrkel

Linda Cvrkel Branch Chief