

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

April 19, 2011

<u>Via E-mail</u>
Christopher W. McGarry
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The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.
2 Paragon Drive
Montvale, NJ 07645

Re: The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended February 27, 2010

Filed May 6, 2010 File No. 001-04141

Dear Mr. McGarry:

We have completed our review of your filing and do not have any further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

/s/ Catherine T. Brown for

H. Christopher Owings Assistant Director