

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-7010

Mail Stop 7010

January 16, 2009

Mr. Richard A. O'Leary Interim Chief Financial Officer International Flavors & Fragrances Inc. 521 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10019

## RE: Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 Forms 10-Q for the periods ended March 31, 2008, June 30, 2008 and September 30, 2008 File No. 1-4858

Dear Mr. O'Leary:

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

If you have any further questions regarding our review of your filings, please direct them to Jeffrey Gordon, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3866 or, in his absence, to the undersigned at (202) 551-3769.

Sincerely,

Rufus Decker Accounting Branch Chief