

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

October 8, 2013

Via E-mail
Thomas P. Chambers
Chief Financial Officer
Apache Corporation
One Post Oak Central
2000 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 100
Houston, Texas 77056

**Re:** Apache Corporation

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2012

Filed March 1, 2013 File No. 001-04300

Dear Mr. Chambers:

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/ Ethan Horowitz for

Brad Skinner Senior Assistant Chief Accountant