

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

Mail Stop 3561

December 15, 2016

Sue Briley Chief Financial Officer Ruby Tuesday, Inc. 150 West Church Avenue, Maryville, Tennessee 37801

Re: Ruby Tuesday, Inc.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended May 31, 2016

Filed August 15, 2016 File No. 001-12454

Dear Ms. Briley:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lyn Shenk

Lyn Shenk Branch Chief Office of Transportation and Leisure