

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

August 25, 2020

Ray Young Chief Financial Officer Archer-Daniels-Midland Co 77 West Wacker Drive, Suite 4600 Chicago, IL 60601

> Re: Archer-Daniels-Midland Co Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 Filed on February 18, 2020 Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2020 Filed on May 1, 2020 File No. 1-00044

Dear Mr. Young:

We have reviewed your filings and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to these comments within ten business days by providing the requested information or advise us as soon as possible when you will respond. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing your response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Critical Accounting Policies

Property, Plant, and Equipment and Asset Abandonments and Write-Downs, page 46

1. We note you have recorded asset impairments in each of the three years presented. Please enhance your future disclosures to identify the factors that cause you to perform an impairment analysis and disclose and discuss any material assumptions and estimates underlying your fair value estimates. In addition, please disclose the remaining carrying values of the assets you test for impairment.

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Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, page 47

- 2. Please enhance your future disclosures to identify the number of reporting units to which goodwill is allocated and tested for impairment. In addition, for any reporting unit that is at risk as defined in ASC Topic 350 (i.e., estimated fair value is not substantially in excess of carrying value), please disclose the following:
 - The percentage by which estimated fair value exceeded carrying value as of the date of the most recent impairment test and the amount of goodwill allocated to the reporting unit.
 - A discussion of the degree of uncertainty associated with each key fair value assumption, including the potential impact of changes in key assumptions.
 - A description of the potential events and/or changes in circumstance that could reasonably be expected to negatively affect the key assumptions.

Please refer to Item 303(a)(3)(ii) of Regulation S-K and Section V of Release 33-8350.

Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2020

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements Note 17. Subsequent Event, page 31

- 3. We note that you are temporarily idling ethanol production at your corn dry mill facilities in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Columbus, Nebraska, for a period of four months subject to market conditions. Please tell us and revise future filings to disclose the following:
 - The carrying value of the assets that have been idled.
 - Whether you performed an impairment analysis of the idled assets. Refer to ASC 360-10-35-21.
 - If you have performed an impairment analysis, the key assumptions you used and whether the estimated fair values substantially exceeded carrying values.
 - If you have not performed an impairment analysis, explain why you did not believe such an analysis was necessary.

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.

You may contact Mindy Hooker at (202) 551-3732 or Anne McConnell at (202) 551-3709 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Manufacturing