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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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Via Fax and U.S. Mail

Katherine E. Schuelke
Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary
Altera Corporation
101 Innovation Drive
San Jose, California 95134

**Re: Altera Corporation
Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009
Filed February 17, 2010
File No. 000-16617**

Dear Ms. Schuelke:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and do not, at this time, have any further comments.

Sincerely,

Tim Buchmiller
Senior Attorney