

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

June 13, 2013

<u>Via E-mail</u> Mr. Robert F. McCadden Chief Financial Officer Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust 200 South Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

## RE: Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2012 Filed March 1, 2013 File No. 1-06300

Dear Mr. McCadden:

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

Please respond to this letter within ten business days by amending your filing, by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe our comment applies to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your filing and the information you provide in response to this comment, we may have additional comments.

## Note 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, page F-10

## Revenue Recognition, page F-12

1. Please describe for us the types of lease modifications that result in recognizing charges in the period when the lease modification is signed and tell us how you determined that such charges should be recognized in that period. Please cite the authoritative literature upon which you relied.

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 Exchange Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made. Mr. Robert F. McCadden Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust June 13, 2013 Page 2

In responding to our comment, please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to 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.

You may contact William Demarest, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3432 or me at (202) 551-3694 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jonathan Wiggins

Jonathan Wiggins Staff Accountant