

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-4628

December 4, 2009

Mr. Donald W. Pearson Chief Financial Officer AMCOL International Corporation 2870 Forbs Avenue Hoffman Estates, IL 60192

Re: AMCOL International Corporation

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008 Filed March 16, 2009, as amended September 29, 2009

Definitive Proxy Statement

Filed March 25, 2009

Response Letter Dated November 12, 2009

File No. 1-14447

Dear Mr. Pearson:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Anne Nguyen Parker Branch Chief