

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

November 3, 2010

J. Bryan Baker Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer FirstCity Financial Corp. 6400 Imperial Drive Waco, Texas 76712

Re: FirstCity Financial Corp. Form 10-K for December 31, 2009 File Number 033-19694

Dear Mr. Baker:

We have completed our review of the above filing and related materials and have no further comments.

Please direct any questions to David Lyon at 202-551-3421.

Sincerely,

David Lyon Senior Financial Analyst