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Mr. Joe D. Shafer
Chief Accounting Officer
Weingarten Realty Investors
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**Re: Weingarten Realty Investors
Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008
Filed March 2, 2009
File No. 001-09876**

Dear Mr. Shafer:

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

Sincerely,

Daniel L. Gordon
Branch Chief