

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

November 16, 2011

<u>Via Facsimile</u> Robert P. Kerley Chief Accounting Officer Walter Energy, Inc. 3000 Riverchase Galleria, Suite 1700 Birmingham, Alabama 35244

> Re: Walter Energy, Inc. Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2010 Filed February 28, 2011 Form 10-Q for Fiscal Quarter Ended June 30, 2011 Filed August 9, 2011 File No. 001-13711

Dear Mr. Kerley:

We have completed our review of your filings. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filings 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. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filings to be certain that the filings include the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/H. Roger Schwall

H. Roger Schwall Assistant Director