December 12, 2005

Mr. David F. Bond Senior Vice President, Finance and Control Safeway Inc. 5918 Stoneridge Mall Road Pleasanton, CA 94588

Re: Safeway Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year End January 1, 2005

Forms 10-Q for the Quarterly Periods Ended March 26, 2005 and

June 18, 2005 File No. 1-00041

Dear Mr. Bond:

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

Sincerely,

Michael Moran Branch Chief