

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

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Mr. Edmond Thomas Chief Executive Officer The Wet Seal, Inc. 26972 Burbank Foothill Ranch, CA 92610

> Re: The Wet Seal, Inc. Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended January 30, 2010 Filed March 31, 2010 File No. 000-18632 Schedule 14A Filed April 19, 2010

Dear Mr. Thomas:

We have completed our review of your filings and do not have any further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

John Reynolds Assistant Director Office of Beverages, Apparel and Health Care Services