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Katherine Stephens Senior Corporate Counsel Google Inc. 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway Mountain View, CA 94043

Re:	Google	Inc.

Dear Ms. Stephens:

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This is in regard to your letter dated January 6, 2010 concerning the shareholder proposal submitted by John Harrington for inclusion in Google's proxy materials for its upcoming annual meeting of security holders. Your letter indicates that the proponent has withdrawn the proposal, and that Google therefore withdraws its December 23, 2009 request for a no-action letter from the Division. Because the matter is now moot, we will have no further comment.

Sincerely,

Charles Kwon Special Counsel

John Harrington cc: President Harrington Investments, Inc. 1001 2nd Street, Suite 325 Napa, CA 94559

Tel: 650.253.0000 www.google.com

January 6, 2010

Via Electronic Mail

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance Office of Chief Counsel 100 F Street, N.E. Washington D.C. 20549

> Re: Google Inc. — Withdrawal of Request for No Action Regarding Stockholder Proposal Submitted by John Harrington

Dear Sir or Madam:

By letter dated November 16, 2009, John Harrington (the "**Proponent**") submitted to Google Inc. (the "**Company**") a stockholder proposal entitled "Committee on Human Rights" (the "**Proposal**") for inclusion in the Company's proxy statement (the "**2010 Proxy Statement**") for its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders.

By letter dated December 23, 2009 (the "No-Action Request"), the Company requested that the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance of the Securities and Exchange Commission not recommend any enforcement action if the Company omitted the Proposal from its 2010 Proxy Statement in reliance on Rule 14a-8(i)(12).

By letter dated December 24, 2009, the Proponent advised the Company that he is withdrawing the Proposal. As a result, the Company wishes to withdraw its No-Action Request. For your convenience, we have attached a copy of all written correspondence relating to the Proposal.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at (650) 214-1887. The Company is sending a copy of this letter and enclosures to the Proponent.

Very truly yours,

GOOGLE INC.

Katheriné Stephens Senior Corporate Counsel

Enclosures

cc: John Harrington



December 24, 2009

Katherine Stephens Senior Corporate Counsel Google Inc. 1600 Ampitheatre Parkway Mountain View, CA 94043 Fax: (650) 618-1806

RE: Stockholder Proposal Submitted by John Harrington

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Pursuant to the receipt of your letter on December 23, 2009, I am withdrawing my shareholder proposal to create a Human Rights Committee.

Sincerely,

President

Tel: 650.253.0000 www.google.com

December 23; 2009

Via Overnight Delivery

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The Company requests confirmation that the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance (the "Staff") of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") will not recommend any enforcement action if the Company, in reliance on Rule 14a-8(i)(12), omits the 2010 Proposal from the 2010 Proxy Statement on the grounds that the 2010 Proposal deals with substantially the same subject matter as another proposal that was included in the Company's proxy statement for its 2008 annual meeting of stockholders held on May 8, 2008 (the "2008 Annual Meeting") and received less than 3% of the vote at the 2008 Annual Meeting.

The Company expects to file its definitive 2010 Proxy Statement with the Commission on or about March 29, 2010, and this letter is being filed with the Commission more than 80 calendar days before such date in accordance with Rule 14a-8(j). Pursuant to Rule 14a-8(j), we are enclosing six copies of each of this letter and the accompanying attachments. In accordance with Rule 14a-8(j) and the instructions contained in the letter accompanying the Proposal, a copy of this submission is being forwarded simultaneously to the Proponent. This letter constitutes the Company's statement of the reasons it deems the omission of the 2010 Proposal from the 2010 Proxy Statement to be proper.

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I. The 2010 Proposal

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RESOLVED: To amend the Bylaws, by inserting the following after section 4.6:

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Nothing herein shall restrict the power of the Board of Directors to manage the business and affairs of the company. The Board Committee on Human Rights shall not incur any costs to the company except as authorized by the Board of Directors.

II. Basis for Exclusion — Rule 14a-8(i)(12)(i)

Rule 14a-8(i)(12)(i) under the Exchange Act provides that if a stockholder proposal deals with "substantially the same subject matter as another proposal or proposals that has or have been previously included in the company's proxy materials within the preceding 5 calendar years, a company may exclude from its proxy materials for any meeting held within 3 calendar years of the last time it was included if the proposal received . . . less than 3% of the vote if proposed once within the preceding 5 calendar years." For purposes of counting votes under

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III. Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, the Company respectfully requests that the Staff confirm that it will not recommend enforcement action if the Company omits the 2010 Proposal from its 2010 Proxy Statement.

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Exhibit A



November 16, 2009

Google Inc.

Attn: Corporate Secretary
1600 Ampitheatre Parkway

Mountain View, CA 94043

Fax: (650) 618-1806

RE: Shareholder Proposal

Dear Corporate Secretary,

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SUPPORTING STATEMENT

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