U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549-4628 Attn: Kevin Stertzel

> RE: McCormick & Company, Incorporated (the "Company") Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2009

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Dear Mr. Stertzel:

We acknowledge receipt of the written comments of the Staff (the "Staff") of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") in its letter dated February 26, 2010 to the undersigned (the "Comment Letter"), with respect to the above-captioned Form 10-K, and the Definitive Proxy Statement, filed with the Commission by the Company on February 16, 2010 (File No. 001-14920).

Please be advised that we intend to submit our response to the Staff's comments on or before March 26, 2010, which is ten business days from the date by which a response was originally requested in the Comment Letter.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the foregoing, please telephone me at (410) 527-8194. Thank you for your cooperation and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gordon Stetz

Gordon Stetz Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer