

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

February 17, 2011

Via U.S. Mail and Facsimile

Charles Boehlke Chief Financial Officer MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc. 75 Maxess Road Melville, NY 11747

Re: MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended August 28, 2010

Filed October 22, 2010

Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A

Filed December 3, 2010

Dear Mr. Boehlke:

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

Sincerely,

Jay Ingram Legal Branch Chief