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**Re: Dynavax Technologies Corporation
Preliminary Proxy Statement
Filed November 19, 2009
Revised Preliminary Proxy Statement
Filed December 3, 2009
File No. 001-34207**

Dear Ms. Smeltzer:

We have completed our review of the above listed filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey P. Riedler
Assistant Director

cc: Nikki D. Pope
Cooley Godward Kronish LLP