



DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

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

March 15, 2012

Via Facsimile

Mr. John Elwood
Chief Financial Officer
Meade Instruments Corporation.
27 Hubble
Irvine, California 92618

Re: Meade Instruments Corporation
Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2011
Filed May 31, 2011
File No. 000-22183

Dear Mr. Elwood:

We have completed our review of your filings. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filings and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures in the filings to be certain that the filings include the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeffrey Jaramillo

Jeffrey Jaramillo
Accounting Branch Chief