

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

August 9, 2010

Ashish R. Parikh Chief Financial Officer Hersha Hospitality Trust 44 Hersha Drive Harrisburg, PA 17102

Re: Hersha Hospitality Trust

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended

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Definitive Proxy Statement

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Dear Mr. Parikh:

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

Sincerely,

Kevin Woody Branch Chief