

October 16, 2006

Mail Stop 4561

John J. Haley  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.  
901 N. Glebe Rd.  
Arlington, VA 22203

Re: Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.  
Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2006  
File No. 001-16159

Dear Mr. Haley:

We have reviewed the above referenced filing and have the following comments. Where indicated, we think you should revise your document in future filings in response to these comments. If you disagree, we will consider your explanation as to why our comment is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation.

Please understand that the purpose of our review process is to assist you in your compliance with the applicable disclosure requirements and to enhance the overall disclosure in your filings. We look forward to working with you in these respects. We welcome any questions you may have about our comments or on any other aspect of our review. Feel free to call us at the telephone numbers listed at the end of this letter.

Note 6 – Retirement Benefits, page 80

1. In future filings please revise to include the assumptions used for the pension plan related to your U.K. operations or tell us why they are not necessary.

Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2

2. In future filings, when identifying the individual at the beginning of the certification, please do not include the title of the certifying individual.

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As appropriate, please respond to these comments within 10 business days or tell us when you will provide us with a response. Please furnish a cover letter with your amendment that keys your responses to our comments and provides any requested information. Detailed cover letters greatly facilitate our review. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your responses to our comments.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that they have provided all information required under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that they have provided all information investors require for an informed investment decision. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In connection with responding to our comments, please provide, in writing, a statement from the company acknowledging that

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filings;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to 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.

In addition, please be advised that the Division of Enforcement has access to all information you provide to the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance in our review of your filing or in response to our comments on your filing.

You may contact William Demarest, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3432 or me at (202) 551-3486 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Daniel L. Gordon  
Branch Chief