



DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

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

January 23, 2012

Via E-mail

Mr. Robert J. Zatta  
Chief Financial Officer  
Rockwood Holdings, Inc.  
100 Overlook Center  
Princeton, New Jersey 08540

**RE: Rockwood Holdings, Inc.  
Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2010  
Filed February 28, 2011  
File No. 1-32609**

**Rockwood Specialties Group, Inc.  
Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2010  
Filed March 10, 2011  
File No. 333-109686**

Dear Mr. Zatta:

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 filing 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 disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Rufus Decker

Rufus Decker  
Accounting Branch Chief