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Mail Stop 6010

February 25, 2009

David M. Dill
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
LifePoint Hospitals, Inc.
103 Powell Court, Suite 200
Brentwood, TN 37027

Re: LifePoint Hospitals, Inc.
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007
File Number: 000-51251

Dear Mr. Dill,

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Carlton E. Tartar
Accounting Branch Chief