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via U.S. mail and facsimile

Mr. Stanislav A. Ploschenko Senior Vice President - Finance Mechel OAO Krasnoarmeyskaya Sreet1 Moscow 125993, Russian Federation

RE: Mechel OAO

Form 20-F for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009

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Dear Mr. Ploschenko:

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

Sincerely,

John Cash Accounting Branch Chief