

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-7010

December 16, 2008

Mr. William H. Carter Chief Financial Officer, Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc. 180 East Broad St. Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc

Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008

File No. 1-71

Dear Mr. Carter:

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

If you have any further questions regarding our review of your filings, please direct them to Mindy Hooker, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3732, or to the undersigned at (202) 551-3768.

Sincerely,

John Cash Branch Chief