



DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-4631

October 3, 2013

Via E-mail

Mr. Fan Zhang  
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Keyuan Petrochemicals, Inc.  
Qingshi Industrial Park  
Ningbo Economic & Technological Development Zone  
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**Re: Keyuan Petrochemicals, Inc.**  
**Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2012**  
**Filed June 5, 2013**  
**File No. 1-34834**

Dear Mr. Zhang:

We have completed our review of your filing. 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/ W. John Cash

W. John Cash  
Branch Chief