



DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

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

November 9, 2012

Via E-mail

Jan H. Hollar
Chief Financial Officer
Yadkin Valley Financial Corporation
209 North Bridge Street
Elkin, NC 28621

**Re: Yadkin Valley Financial Corporation
Preliminary Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A
Filed on October 26, 2012 and revised on November 7 and 9, 2012
File No. 000-52099**

Dear Ms. Hollar:

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/Mark Webb for

Kathryn McHale
Senior Staff Attorney