

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

November 28, 2012

<u>Via E-mail</u> Mr. William S. Steckel, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation 2122 York Road Oak Brook, IL 60523

Re: Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 Filed March 9, 2012 File No. 1-33225

Dear Mr. Steckel:

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/ John Cash

John Cash Branch Chief