

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

February 22, 2011

Ms. Elisha W. Finney Chief Financial Officer Varian Medical Systems, Inc. 3100 Hansen Way Palo Alto, California

Re: Varian Medical Systems, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended October 1, 2010

File No. 001-07598

Dear Ms. Finney:

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

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Vaughn Accounting Branch Chief