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DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE MAIL STOP 7010

December 20, 2006

By Facsimile and U.S. Mail

Ms. Brenda C. Barnes Chief Executive Officer Sara Lee Corporation Three First National Plaza Chicago, IL 60602-4260

> Re: Sara Lee Corporation Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended July 1, 2006 Filed September 14, 2006 File No. 001-03344

Dear Ms. Barnes:

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

Sincerely,

Jill Davis Branch Chief