April 13, 2010

Donny R. Johnson Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc. 401 Cottage Street Abilene, Kansas 67410-2832

Re: Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Year Ended February 1, 2009

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Dear Mr. Johnson:

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

Sincerely,

H. Christopher Owings Assistant Director