

Mail Stop 4720

July 24, 2009

Terrence E. Bichsel
Executive Vice President and
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FirstMerit Corporation
III Cascade Plaza, 7th floor
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**Re: FirstMerit Corporation
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008
Form 10-Q for Fiscal Quarter Ended March 31, 2009
File No. 0-10161**

Dear Mr. Bichsel:

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

Sincerely,

Angela Connell
Reviewing Accountant