

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

June 25, 2013

Via E-mail

Mr. Robert G. O'Brien Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Forest City Enterprises, Inc. 50 Public Square Suite 1100 Cleveland, OH 44113

**Re:** Forest City Enterprises, Inc.

Form 10-K for fiscal year ended January 31, 2013

Filed on March 27, 2013

File No. 001-04372

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

We have reviewed your response dated June 14, 2013 and have the following additional comments. We have limited our review to only your financial statements and related disclosures and do not intend to expand our review to other portions of your document. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter within ten business days by providing the requested information or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

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<u>Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, page 41</u>

Results of Operations, page 47

## Commercial Net Operating Income, page 57

1. We note your response to our prior comment two and your revised disclosure. Please tell us and disclose in future filings the nature of the items you have deemed to be non-recurring income and expense items at the property level and have recorded as non-comparable NOI.

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## Consolidated Statements of Operations, page 83

2. We note your response to our prior comment four. In future filings, please disclose on the Consolidated Statements of Operations that the line items related to your equity method investments and earnings from continuing operations attributable to noncontrolling interests are gross of income tax expense.

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Exhibit 99.2

**Financial Statements** 

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, page 7

- B. Deconsolidation (unaudited), page 10
- 3. We note your response to our prior comment 11. When these financial statements are provided in future filings, please clearly mark the items as either audited or unaudited, as appropriate.

You may contact Peter McPhun, Staff Accountant, at 202-551-3581, Jennifer Monick, Senior Staff Accountant, at 202-551-3295 or the undersigned at 202-551-3629 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kevin Woody

Kevin Woody Branch Chief