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January 8, 2009

Mr. Brian C. Voegele
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Pride International, Inc.
5847 San Felipe, Suite 3300
Houston, Texas 77057

**Re: Pride International, Inc.
Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007
Filed February 29, 2008
Schedule 14A
Filed April 9, 2008
Response Letter Dated December 16, 2008
File No. 1-13289**

Dear Mr. Voegele:

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

Sincerely,

Brad Skinner
Senior Assistant Chief Accountant