

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

April 16, 2013

Via E-mail
Richard Hunter, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer
Food Technology Service, Inc.
502 Prairie Mine Road
Mulberry, Florida 33860

Re: Food Technology Service, Inc.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2012

Filed March 29, 2013 File No. 0-19047

Dear Dr. Hunter:

We have reviewed your filing and have the following comment. 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 our comment, 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 amending your filing, by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe our comment applies to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your filing and the information you provide in response to this comment, we may have additional comments.

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1. The report should be signed on your behalf by your principal executive officer, principal financial officer, controller or principal accounting officer and at least a majority of the board of directors. Please tell us whether Richard Hunger, Ph.D. also serves as your controller or principal accounting officer. If so, please indicate each capacity in which he signs the report in future filings. If not, please file an amendment that complies with the signature instructions of Form 10-K. Please refer to the Signature Page and General Instruction D(2)(a) to Form 10-K.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable Exchange Act rules require. Since the company and its management are

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in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In responding to our comment, please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

You may contact Ta Tanisha Meadows, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3322 or me at (202) 551-3344 if you have questions regarding our comment or any other questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ William H. Thompson

William H. Thompson Accounting Branch Chief