

Mail Stop 3561

March 20, 2007

Mr. John D. Carter  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.  
3200 N.W. Yeon Ave  
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Portland, Oregon 97296

**RE: Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.  
Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2006  
Form 10-Q for Fiscal Quarter Ended November 30, 2006  
Filed November 11, 2006 and January 8, 2007  
File No. 0-22496**

Dear Mr. Carter:

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

Sincerely,

William Thompson  
Accounting Branch Chief