By Facsimile and U.S. Mail

Mr. Steven G. Miller Chief Executive Officer Big 5 Sporting Goods Corporation 2525 East El Segundo Boulevard El Segundo, California 90245

Re: Big 5 Sporting Goods Corporation

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 28, 2008

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Dear Mr. Miller:

We have completed our review of your Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2008 and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

H. Christopher Owings Assistant Director