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Division of Corporation Finance Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F. Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549 Attention: Jessica Barberich, Assistant Chief Accountant

Re: ABM Industries Incorporated Form 10-K as of October 31, 2008 Filed on December 22, 2008 File No. 001-08929

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to our letter dated December 16, 2009, relating to the above-captioned Form 10-K, this letter will advise you that we will submit our response to staff comments set forth in the staff's letter of December 3, 2009 no later than January 19, 2010.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Joe Yospe Joe Yospe SVP- Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer