

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-4631

Mail Stop 4631

April 15, 2010

Cynthia L. Lucchese Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Hillenbrand, Inc. One Batesville Boulevard Batesville, Indiana 47006

Re: Hillenbrand, Inc.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2009

File No. 1-33794

Dear Ms. Lucchese:

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

If you have any further questions regarding our review of your filings, please direct them to Bret Johnson, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3753 or, in his absence, to the undersigned at (202) 551-3689.

Sincerely,

John Hartz Senior Assistant Chief Accountant